

RE Highways Network Management, Colindale Offices, 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, NW9 4EW 5 May 2021 Our ref: 7201024

Thank you for your request received on 7 April 2021, for the following information:

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Please could you let me know, under Freedom of Information legislation, if any new ROWs have been established since then within Hampstead Garden Suburb, NW11

We have processed this request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Response

The council holds the information requested and the answers to your questions are below

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A Definitive Map shows only certain classes of Public Right of Way (footpaths, bridleways, restricted byways and byways). In the wider sense the public has rights of way over the public highway network, which includes most roads and pavements, as well as the types of way that can be included on the Definitive Map. Some footpaths are also included within the Highway Register/List of Streets maintainable at Public Expense. While the presence of a path on the Definitive Map is evidence that a Public Right of Way exists the opposite is not the case, and addition of a path to the Definitive Map will often be a recognition that a public right of way already exists over a route.

There are currently three Public Rights of Way shown on the Definitive Map within the NW11 post code area. Two are footpaths in or alongside Hampstead Heath extension. The third, which is partially within the NW11 post code area, is a footpath from West Heath Road (between numbers 179 and 183) to Finchley Road that was added to the Definitive Map in 2015. This is the only recent change to the Definitive Map in the NW11 postcode area.

Some areas that were considered to be built up when the original Definitive Maps were produced could be excluded in the survey undertaken for these. Public footpaths in such areas should now be added to the Definitive Map, but this exercise has not been undertaken yet in Barnet. Other roads and paths may have been adopted as public highway since then too. There are numerous paths in the Garden Suburb Area that are included in the List of Streets maintainable at public expense. We anticipate that these would be added to the Definitive Map in due course although there are legal processes to be followed before this can take place. Other paths in the area may also have public rights even if they have not yet been identified.

Further information

If you are interested in the data that the council holds you may wish to visit Open Barnet, the council's data portal. This brings together all our published datasets and other information of interest on one searchable database for anyone, anywhere to access. http://open.barnet.gov.uk/

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