



## **We need your help to protect Cornwall's public rights of way**

On Tuesday 22 January (this Tuesday) Cornwall Council are debating and voting on an all-party motion to grant more money to the Countryside Access Team to help with their work to keep our footpaths open.

Specifically, item 12.3 on the agenda - the title of the motion is -

**“Funding to address the under resourcing of the Countryside Access Team in its attempt to fulfil the statutory duties that Cornwall Council have in the discharging of applications for the Definitive Map Modification Orders and Section 130a Notices”**

In short – more money to identify missing paths and to maintain all paths.

Opportunities like this to get the attention of councillors and have them allocate more money to footpaths do not come around very often and so this is a great chance for us to give our support.

Please contact your local Cornwall Councillor to ask him or her to support this motion.

You can find your local councillor – with their email address at – <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/my-area/>

Maybe you could say something along the lines of –

There is a motion before Cornwall Council on Tuesday 22 January in support of extra funding for the Countryside Access Team.

As a member of West Cornwall Footpath Preservation Society and as an active walker can I encourage you to please **vote in support of this motion**.

As it says in the detail of the motion – “Our footpaths and bridle ways are but one of the jewels in Cornwall's crown of natural beauty” and bring significant year-round health, amenity and economic benefit to Cornwall.

The motion goes on to say we must act to “ensure that they do not become the Cinderella of funding while on our watch”.

By the way – the debate is at 10.30 in Council Chamber, Cornwall Council, County Hall, Truro, TR1 3AY – you can watch it on-line at - [watch online](#)

Best

Dick Belton