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Dear Sir/Madam,

On 16 December 2020 Natural England submitted a compendium of coastal access reports for improving coastal access between Birkenhead and the Welsh Border to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs. The reports set out Natural England's proposals for improving coastal access under the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009. The reports are available under the link [here](#) or at <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/england-coast-path-from-birkenhead-to-the-welsh-border-comment-on-proposals>.

The Secretary of State has decided to approve the proposals regarding BHW1 and BHW3 and his decision is outlined in the notice which is available [here](#) or at <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coastal-access-section-52-notice-for-birkenhead-to-the-welsh-border>.

The right of access to the approved stretch of coast does not come into effect at this stage. Natural England will be working with the local authority to establish any infrastructure works before an Order is made by the Secretary of State under the 2009 Act to bring the rights into effect.

Yours faithfully,

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