

## **Cattle Grids**

### **Extracts from NIBBLERS online discussion group**

Does any one have any experience of having an application to install a cattle grid on a public highway being referred from the county highway department to a higher level (but not on a registered Common). We currently have four applications sitting with Dorset County Council which are needing to be heard first at the Council committee stage. There is a possibility that the committee will have to refer one which has outstanding objections to a higher level, but nobody seems to know quite who this will be -is it Department of Transport, GOSW, DEFRA ???  
Anyone with the necessary experience?  
Thanks.

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Richard  
It'll probably be referred to John Prescott, but he will need to get the feel of the proposal before he comes to a decision!

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It will probably be referred to Ruth Kelly at the ODPM (Office of the Deputy Prime Minister). This is the normal route for planning applications which have a serious number or quality of objections.

Alison Hiles (GAP)

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Cannot help but make sure that you get the right to clean it out once every few years as they shake mud off cars and so fill up so strange cattle think they can walk across them. Presumably you need to block a public highway to do this unless you have a by pass gate as well. I have six all on private land I am pleased to say, one dating from the 1930's which is carefully designed to let sheep jump in the middle and out the other side !  
Richard at Penhein

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