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Dear Sirs,

Your Ref: A96 Threapland Junction improvements fao F Maxwell

Thank you for your enquiry of 12th September. The National Catalogue of Rights of Way shows GM65 in the vicinity of the proposed lay out changes and if more information is required please ask. As you will be aware, there is no definitive record of rights of way in Scotland and there could be routes that meet the criteria but have never been recorded because they have not come to our notice.

You will no doubt bear in mind that there may now be general access rights over any property/area under the terms of the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003. You may be interested in our book on the subject: *Access Rights and Rights of Way – A Guide to the Law in Scotland* by Prof R Paisley. You can obtain a copy from us at the price of £10.00 including P&P.

It is also worth being aware of core path plans, currently being prepared by local authorities as part of their duties under the LRSA 2003.

May I say that neither the Society nor its individual officers carries professional indemnity insurance and that in these circumstances any advice that we give, while given in good faith, is always given without recourse.

Yours faithfully

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