

The UK's Coalition Government has said that it would repeal some of the 'bad laws' introduced by the Blair/Brown administration, and that Deputy PM Nick Clegg will be compiling a list. Following that 'YES!' moment, all went quiet. So LARA asked how we, the electorate, might input to this list.

We have heard back and it appears that if you write to your MP she or he will pass on your suggestions to Deputy Prime Minister.

The experts amongst you will be able to quote the relevant subsections that are troublesome to us but even if your letter writing skills are not to university standard you can still get your point across in broad terms.

Sir,

I write concerning the stated aim of the Coalition Government to repeal some recent legislation where it is ineffectual or otherwise flawed. I ask that you forward this letter to the Deputy Prime Minister, Rt Hon Nick Clegg MP with the request that section 67 of the Natural Environment & Rural Communities Act 2006 be repealed on the grounds that it is a clumsy statute that has caused very unfair and unreasonable impacts to a significant part of the community, often creating absurd situations, rather than solving problems. There has to be a better and fairer way of addressing the recording and sustainable use of our ancient highways.

You could simply copy & paste the above sample letter, but there are many unintended consequences of CRoW 2000 & NERC 2006 that you may want to address, if you feel you have the understanding to so do:

Cul-de-sac byways.

homes with no vehicular access.

loss of amenity.

loss of heritage & history.

unsustainable routes are open to motorists without proportionate regulation.

sustainable routes are closed to motorists.

increased work-load for highway authorities.

injustice.

Please let us know what response you get from your MP.