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| 01 | Footpath | Footpath commencing at Lilly Lane in a south easterly direction along Furlong Close for 56 metres and then continues along Furlong Close in a north easterly direction for 64 metres before continuing in a generally southerly direction for a further distance of approximately 438 metres to finish at its junction with Public Footpath No. 22 Ashton-in-Makerfield on the south side of Coffin Lane Brook | 559 | |
| 01A | Footpath | No reference made | 178 | |
| 02 | Footpath | Starts in Lily Lane at gable of No. 67 Lily Lane, Bamfurlong proceeding south. First 100ft. narrow path only and then wider path used by farm animals and vehicles. Well defined path alongside railway on the right. Thence proceeding over Coffin Lane Brook at the Urban District boundary to link with Path No. 22 in Ashton-in-Makerfield U.D. | 1 | |
| 03 | Footpath | Footpath to Abram Brow Starts in Lily Lane close to Canal Bridge in Ince-in-Makerfield and travels south. Well defined path, meets canal towpath at jct. with Hey Brook. As canal towpath for approx. 570 yds. then bears sharp left at aqueduct through stile in fair condition and crosses land subject to flooding. Well-defined path through edge of field, follows hedge to stile in fair condition where path ends. Included in the Public Rights of Way Act 1932 Schedule and used by the public without objection for at least 40 years. | 798 | |
| 04 | Footpath | Footpath commencing at Warrington Road in a north easterly direction along St. Johns Street for a distance of 78 metres to then continue in a generally northerly direction for a distance of approximately 432 metres to cross Lee Lane and continue along Park View. Footpath then runs in a generally south easterly direction along the back edge of Lee Lane Park for approximately 86 metres. At Grid Reference SD 6090 0203 Footpath turns in a north easterly direction and continues for 57 metres to exit onto Ruskin Crescent to then follow estate roads along Ruskin Crescent, Shelly Drive, Burns Road and Keats Way for a distance of approximately 340 metres to exit onto Bickershaw Lane | 1,022 | |
| 05 | Footpath | Footpath commencing at Kingsdown Road in a generally easterly direction for a distance of 110 metres to a motorcycle barrier off Oak Avenue then continues easterly following Oak Avenue for a distance of approximately 66 metres to then continue easterly for a further distance of approximately 323 metres to meet Public Footpath no. 9 Abram | 496 | |

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| 07 | Footpath | Footpath to Plank Lane, Leigh Starts at junction of path No. 9 on east side of Maypole Colliery. Well-defined path used by vehicles, passes Fields Farm Cottage, where turns sharp right passing pond on left, used by carts. Stile and field gate 37 yds. past cottage. Follows hedge on left and through stile and broken field gate after further 196 yds. Continues to railway crossing where gate and stile each side. Passes through Higher House Farmyard to junction of paths Nos. 12 and 29, No notice boards. Included in the Public Rights of Way Act, 1932 Schedule and used by the public without objection for at least 45 years. | 994 | |
| 08 | Footpath | Footpath to Talbot Road Starts at Warrington Road, Abram, gables of Nos. 447 and 451, Warrington Road. Road used by vehicles, known as Park Lane, in good condition. Crosses mineral railway without stile or gates. Continues to railway and crosses with field gate and wicket gate each side at Park Lane Halt. Continues past Pye Nest on left to railway where crosses with field gate and wicket gate each side. Then passes on well-defined roadway used by vehicles to junction of path 22. Included in Public Rights of Way Act, 1932 Schedule and used with-out objection by the public for at least 40 years. | 2,082 | |
| 09 | Footpath | Footpath commencing at its junction with Public Footpath no. 8 (Park Lane) in a north westerly direction for a distance of approximately 418 metres, past its junction with Public Footpath No. 7 Abram to meet Public Footpath No. 5 Abram | 416 | |
| 09A | Footpath | Footpath commencing at its junction with Public Footpath no. 5 Abram in a generally northerly direction along the east side of Kingsdown Flash for a distance of approximately 352 metres where path then turns in a north easterly direction for a further 94 metres to meet farm access track | 437 | |
| 10 | Footpath | Footpath to Bickershaw and Abram Station, Bickershaw Lane Starts at junction of path No. 11 close to Fields Farm Cottages and travels North. Well-defined path follows hedge on left for 200 yds. passing through gateway (no gate) and then through tunnel under railway . Continues through stile and gateway (no gate) after railway, then by well-defined path through field to Morris Farm and through field gate and stile close to farm buildings on the right. Continues over wide path of ashes through field gate and stile (obstructed by hawthorn hedge) after 142 yd. Continues on well-defined path through field to gate and stile at Bickershaw Lane. Included in Public Rights of Way Act, 1932 Schedule and used by the Public without objection for at least 35 years. | 698 | |

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| 11 | Footpath | Footpath to Bolton Houses Starts close toFields Farm Cottage and travels East. Passes junction of path No. 10 after 30 yds. Well-defined path for 290 yds. to hedge where turns sharp left, then sharp right after 30 yds. over stile and continues to railway. Crosses railway where a stile on each side and continues for 100 yds. where over stile and sharp right following hedge on right. Sharp left over stile after 40 yds. over land subject to flooding. Continues by well-defined path through field alongside hedge for 300 yds. passing junction of path No. 12. By Well-defined path to Bolton Houses at junction with path No. 17. Included in Public Rights of Way Act 1932 Schedule and used by the public with-out objection for at least 30 years. | 468 | |
| 12 | Footpath | Footpath to Higher House Starts at junction of path No. 11 and travels south . Well-defined cindered path used by farm animals and farm vehicles, follows hedge on the left. Bears right after 200 yds. then left to junction of Nos. 7 and 29, Included in Public Rights of Way Act 1932 Schedule and used by the public without objection for at least 30 years. | 406 | |
| 13 | Footpath | Footpath to Bickershaw House Starts at Atherton Street off Bickershaw Lane. Well-defined path crosses private road after 125 yds. and continues to stile close to railway . Continues alongside railway between 2 boundary fences, 4 ft. apart, to stile after approx. 250 yds. and then between fences to railway crossing at Bolton House Road close to Bickershaw House. Included in Public Rights of Way Act 1932, Schedule and used by the Public without objection for at least 30 years. | 689 | |
| 14 | Footpath | Footpath to Goods Cheap Farm Starts in Bickershaw Lane at gable of No. 579 Bickershaw Lane by field gate and stile. Travels onpath between fences used by animals to stile after 120 yds. Continues alongside ditch on left through edge of field to junction of path No. 16. Included in Public Rights of Way Act 1932 Schedule and used without objection by the public for at least 40 years. | 341 | |
| 16 | Footpath | Footpath commencing from its junction with Public Footpath no. 16A Hindley in a generally North Westerly direction for a distance of approximately 197 metres to its junction with Public Footpath no. 21 Hindley, where it continues in an east/north easterly direction for a further 105 metres to finish at its junction with Public Footpath no. 14 Abram | 698 | |
| 17 | Footpath | Footpath to Pye Nest Starts at Bolton Houses and travels South. Well-defined metalled road, turns sharp left after 100 yds. then sharp right after 40 yds. Continues between boundary fences with reservoir on left (subject of flooding). Continues past junction of paths 28 and 29 and then to Park Lane at Pye Nest. Included in the Public Rights of Way Act, 1932 Schedule and used by the public without objection for at least 35 years. | 719 | |

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| 18 | Footpath | Footpath starts at Shuttle Hillock Road on East side of railway and travels south east. Path passes through marshy land and is in a very poor condition and almost indistinguishable. Continues to junction of paths 20, 21 and 28. Included in Public Rights of Way Act 1932 Schedule and used without objection by the public for at least 35 years. | 708 | |
| 19 | Footpath | Footpath starts at junction of path 28 and travels North-east. Poorly-defined path through field to junction with path No. 18. Included in the Public Rights of Way Act 1932 Schedule and used without objection by the public for at least 35 years. | 147 | |
| 20 | Footpath | Footpath to Plank Lane, Leigh (continuation of 28) Starts at junction of paths 18, 21 and 28. Follows hedge and ditch through edge of field. Turns sharp right after 350 yds. and then sharp left and continues over land impassable due to extensive flooding to Plank Lane. Included in the Public Rights of Way Act, 1932 Schedule and used by the Public without objection for at least 30 years. | 974 | |
| 22 | Footpath | Footpath starts at junction of path No. 8 travels east. Well-defined path between two fields to junction of paths 19 and 28. No notice boards or stiles. Included in the Public Rights of Way Act 1932 Schedule and used without objection for at least 35years. | 189 | |
| 23 | Footpath | Footpath to Park Lane Starts at Montreal St. off Crankwood Road at field gate and stile. Travels by well-defined path alongside hedge. Stile and field gate after 200 yds. and then by well-defined path through field to railway. Crosses railway by footbridge where wicket gate each side then follows hedge past junction of No. 27 to Park Lane. Included in Public Rights of Way Act 1932 Schedule and used by the public without objection for at least 35 years. | 691 | |
| 24 | Footpath | Footpath commences at Crankwood road in a generally southerly direction for a distance of approximately 173 metres, to then continue over the Leeds Liverpool Canal and southerly for a further 103 metres. Up onto the dismantled railway, the footpath then continues in a generally south westerly direction for a further distance of approximately 296 metres to exit onto Slag Lane | 570 | |

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| 26 | Footpath | Footpath to Park Lane Starts in Crankwood Rd. close to Crankwood Farm and travels North. Path used by vehicles to farm on left and then changes to narrow foot-path at junction of paths after 140 yds. Well defined path between fence and hedge when stile after 100 yds. then plank over ditch. Follows hedge past New Brick Farm, then by path in poor condition through edge of field. Crosses ditch by footbridge and over stile and continues to railway line. Crosses railway line by concrete bridge and then turns sharp left and runs alongside railway on poor path. Turns sharp right after 140 yds. and over stile. Continues by well-defined path through field to Park Lane close to Maypole House Farm. Included in Public Rights of Way Act, 1932 Schedule and used without objection by the Public for at least 40 years. | 943 | |
| 27 | Footpath | Footpath to Park Lane Starts at junction of path No. 26 close to Crankwood Farm. Poor path through edge of field following hedge on left. Through field gate and stile after 130 yds. Continues to railway where stile crosses railway where wicket gate. Continues across field by a very poor-defined path alongside hedge to junction of path No.23. Included in Public Rights of Way Act 1932 Schedule and used without objection by the Public for at least 40 years. | 602 | |
| 28 | Footpath | Footpath to Plank Lane, Leigh (Continuation of 29) Starts at junction of paths 17 and 29 and travels east. Narrow path alongside hedge on left over land subject to flooding after 50 yds. Crosses railway line through field gate. No gate other side. Path passes between slag heaps to junction of paths 19 and 22. Included in the Public Rights of Way Act 1932 Schedule and used by the Public without objection for at least 30 years. | 490 | |
| 29 | Footpath | Footpath to Plank Lane, Leigh (Continuation of 7) Starts at junction of paths 7 and 12. Passes through field alongside hedge on well-defined path. Turns sharp right, then sharp left through edge of field to junction of paths 17 and 28. No stiles or notice boards. Included in the Public Rights of Way Act, 1932 Schedule and used by the public without objection for at least 30 years. | 481 | |
| 30 | Footpath | Footpath to Crankwood Road Starts in Park Lane close to railway crossing at Morris dancers Ground. Well-defined path through field where stile after 200 yards. Further stile after 200 yds. and then footpath follows hedge on right alongside railway line through to stile at Crankwood Road. Included in Public Rights of Way Act, 1932 Schedule and used without objection by the public for at least 25 years. | 649 | |
| 31 | Footpath | Footpath to Hindley Starts at Bickershaw Lane close to Brookside and travels north by well-defined path. Passes into Hindley U.D.C. after 75 yds. Included in Public Rights of Way Act, 1932 Schedule and used without objection by the Public for at least 30 years. | 77 | |

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| 32 | Footpath | Footpath starts from Holden St. and passes close to Abram Cottage and proceeds north-east. Stile and field gate immediately, then by well-defined cindered path to junction of paths after approx. 220yds. Path known to have been used for at least 30 years without objection. Scheduled under Public Rights of Way Act, 1932. | 406 | |
| 33 | Footpath | Footpath to Hindley Bickershaw Junction Starts at Northern boundary of Methodist Church and travels north. Well-defined path continuing past slag heaps to right and passing into Hindley U.D.C. after approx. 350 yds. Path known to have been used for at least 35 years without objection. Schedules under Public Rights of Way Act 1932. | 351 | |
| 34 | Footpath | Footpath to Aye Bridge Farm Starts at Aye Bridge Road close to Dover Bridge and travels south-west. Well-defined path for 70 yds. where crosses Hey Brook by footbridge and passes into Ashton Urban District. Path known to have been used for at least 40 years without objection. Scheduled under Public Rights of Way Act, 1932. | 48 | |
| 35 | Bridleway | Starts at junction of path No.18 and travels in a south-easterly direction on well-defined cindered path passing buildings on left. After approx. 100 yds. turns sharp left and passes into Leigh Municipal Borough after approx. 60 yds. Used by public for at least 20 years. | 240 | |
| 37 | Footpath | Footpath 37 Abram running northwards from Lily Lane, Bamfurlong. Length approximately 468metres | 459 | |
| 39 | Footpath | The path starts on the south side of the junction of Bolton House Road/Shuttle Hillock Road and proceeds in a south westerly direction towards the railway line; at the approach to the railway line there is a wicket gate and a field gate across the path; the path then crosses the railway line where another wicket gate and a further field gate cross the path; the path then proceeds in a south westerly direction with a large hedge running along the southern side of the path; at approximately 60 metres along the path from the railway line there is a house on the western side of the path, the path runs through the garden continuing in a south westerly direction to the junction of Abram path numbers 11 and 17. The path is of varying width of between 4 metres over the railway crossing to approximately 8 metres from the railway line to the junction with Abram path numbers 11 and 17 | 26 | |

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| 40 | Footpath | Public footpath Abram 40 of a length of 750 metres or thereabouts which runs from Winstanley Road in a westerly direction. There are fields on both sides of the path and a line of hedges on the southern side of the path. After approximately 400 metres the path proceeds in a northerly direction and after a further approximately 150 metres the path continues in a westerly direction to the junction of Ashton-in-Makerfield 56 footpath. The footpath is approximately 3 metres wide along its entire length. | 751 | |

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