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Dear LAF Members and Observers ,

This is for information only.

The SDNPA has already received a number of enquiries from landowners concerned about the public using rights of way through farms and gardens during this lockdown period. The above guidance from DEFRA will be passed on to enquires received by the SDNPA.

Some of you may have seen this guidance already through your own channels, but for your please see the attached messages from DEFRA. These are aimed at stakeholders such as landowners who are concerned about the impact of the public using rights of way through farms and farmsteads in particular.

We understand there may also be a video from DEFRA which we can share via social media. You probably already have this link from DEFRA  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/coronavirus-guidance-on-access-to-green-spaces>

The Access team will be sharing these attachments with South Downs Land Managers, Farm Cluster groups, our ranger teams and checking in with Local Authority Rights of Way teams to let them know how we are sharing.

We will also be sharing this information with Reception team and we will be using to respond to emails from landowners that are coming in via Info@

Any queries please contact Allison Thorpe or I.

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