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Local correspondent

A local correspondent is the contact for the OSS in a specific area, usually that covered by a local authority. The list includes all the things that LCs may do but it is not essential to do all of these things, especially when you first start.

General

Objecting to planning applications which have an adverse effect on common land, open spaces, public paths and access to the countryside in general
Publicising the work of the society
Encouraging people to join, particularly local residents
Reporting quarterly to the office on activities
Liaising with other organisations where there is mutual benefit

Public paths

Receiving and responding to all proposals to alter the routes of public paths, following the society's policies and guidelines
Reporting on public path problems
Assisting members with public path issues
Making proposals for path improvements or additions, in relation to the highway authority's rights of way improvement plan
Claiming paths for the definitive map of rights-of-way, where there is sufficient evidence
Attending public inquiries or hearings into path-change proposals where necessary

Common land and village greens

Advising the office on applications for works on common land – the society is consulted by law on all such applications, but local knowledge can be very important
Reporting any unlawful encroachments or seemingly inappropriate use of commons and greens
Assisting other members on casework in the LC's area