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	All the footpaths in the Parish have been checked. Generally, the footpaths are all subject to lots of side growth. The Parish Contractor has undertaken some cutting back but there is a financial limit on funds as to how frequently we can use his services.	
Parish Paths Partnership Scheme (P3)	<p>As previously reported, Shirley Anglin. PRoW and Localism Officer for ECC has provided the Parish Council with some details about the Essex Service Level Agreement. This funds the equivalent of one cut a year of any given footpath but, having seen the rate of growth this summer, members need to understand that there will still be occasions over the year when additional cuts by the Parish contractor will be required.</p> <p>The following paths could be covered by this scheme:</p> <p>FP7: From just beyond 'Beautiful You' to the end of Secretaries' wall</p> <p>FP8: From Ferriers Lane by Ferriers Cottage (BR22) up to Bakers Hall on the Colne Road.</p> <p>FP12: From the Colchester Road, opposite Brook House, north-east to the gate onto the meadow.</p> <p>FP13: From the road north of Polstead Farm in a westerly direction passing along the northern boundary of Lamarsh Park, to the parish boundary at the north-western point of Northern Wood.</p> <p>FP16: From Butlers Farm in an easterly direction to the point where it meets a track on the right.</p> <p>FP23: From Hobb's Well south-west to Craigs Hill.</p> <p>BYW 25: From the junction of Colne Road opposite Pricketts Hall Farm in a south-easterly direction to just past Broad Oakes property. (It then becomes a concrete track managed by Butlers Farm)</p> <p>FP31: Including the Cambridge Brook crossing, from the brook in a south-easterly direction to Hall Road, Mount Bures.</p> <p>FP33: Phillips Path from Brook House off the Colchester Road up to the Mount Bures railway level crossing.</p> <p>(Members can locate these on the Essex Interactive PRoW map)</p>	

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	Still waiting to progress the uptake of a Service Level Agreement with the PROW and Localism Officer for ECC	
FP5	<p>From Ferrier's Farm to Horne's Green (a field margin path, leading to a cross-field path through some scrub and into a wood, then onto a well-kept grassed lane to the road)</p> <p>The reinstatement of the Definitive Footpath remains unresolved and is now further complicated by the advertised sale of Clees Hall Estate over which FP5 travels. A planning application to convert the three barns situated immediately north has also been submitted to Braintree D.C. The footpath will need to be monitored if the proposal is approved as the PROW may be used by vehicles to access the development site. Meanwhile walkers continue to find whatever route they can to eventually get to Hornes Green. The owners of Ferriers Farmhouse report that they are frequently having to advise lost and confused ramblers of the best way to get through the woodland. The Essex Access Team will be dealing with the reinstatement at some point.</p>	
FP8	<p>From the Colne Road opposite Bakers Hall along a field margin and over a footbridge to meet BR22 Ferriers Lane.</p> <p>The landowner usually keeps the field margin clear but the Parish contractor has cleared the 'cut' down to the footbridge. This section of the PROW may need further cutting back later in the summer but we have now identified the landowner and may approach him to undertake some maintenance of the path in the future.</p>	
FP12	<p>From the Colchester Road by Brook House Cottage along a track to the meadow and onto the river crossing at Bures Mill.</p> <p>The track needs attention to clear overhanging brambles and long grass. The landowner is to be contacted in the first instance if possible.</p>	
FP13	<p>Footpath off Fishpits Lane opposite Polstead Farm leading along Lamarsh Park</p> <p>There is no fingerpost at this point or any indication that this is a PROW. The site will be assessed during future scheduled inspections.</p>	

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FP14/BWY15	<p>Footpath from Ravensfield Farm to Polstead Farm Damaged old-style concrete fingerpost.</p> <p>Byway from Ravensfield Farm to Hornes Green Both PRoWs originate from the same point. The Byway has no finger post. These reports have been removed from the Interactive website as items to be assessed during future scheduled inspections.</p>	
FP16	<p>From Colne Road south to Butlers Farm Two additional documents have been submitted to Braintree Planning regarding the planning application 20/02131/FUL at Butlers Farm. However, there is still no resolution to the Highways objection. FP16 was, some years ago, diverted from its Definitive line without the necessary permission. No Diversion Order has been raised yet but there is no reason for the Parish Council to object to this unauthorized path diversion.</p>	
FP30	<p>From Colne Road next to Parsonage Grove crossing the railway to The Paddocks. The Parish Council is still awaiting the outcome of the Network Rail Public Inquiry for Level Crossings Reduction in Essex regarding the fate of the above 'passive crossing'.</p>	
FP33	<p>Phillips Path from Brook House to the Mount Bures level crossing. The hedges on both sides of the path have been cut back. This was probably done by Mount Bures P.C. through an existing arrangement.</p>	

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FYI	<p>Quiet Lanes Suffolk. Bures St Mary Parish Council, having moved into Wave 3, will be making a minuted vote on Thursday 22nd July as to which roads it wishes to submit. The proposals were: Arger Fen from the Nayland Road to Dead Lane (route U8607) Dead Lane to Gazeley Gate (route U8607) St Edmunds Lane (route U8616) Hollow Lane (route U8617)</p> <p>The final decision by the Parish Council to proceed with Wave 3 must be submitted to QLS by 2nd August. The formal notification to the public by SCC commences on 23rd August. The deadline for public representations to the SCC will be 13th September.</p>	