

Footpath Number	Location and Description of Reported Problem/Resolved Problem/ Items of Interest	Ref. No.
	All the footpaths in the Parish have been checked. Some longstanding issues remain unresolved.	
Parish Paths Partnership Scheme (P3)	<p>Jason Botelho, Braintree Public Rights of Way Officer (jason.botelho@essexhighways.org) has been in contact regarding the Service Level Agreement and the Parish Paths Partnership Scheme (August '22). There has been some reorganization in the department which has delayed Bures Hamlet's application for some additional PRow support. The two available choices are:</p> <p>1) Parish Paths Partnership Scheme which relies on volunteers managing the maintenance of footpaths in their parish. Essex CC will provide training (including first aid) and equipment. The Parish in return must provide a risk-assessed action plan each year with a follow-up report to show what has been achieved.</p> <p>2) The Service Level Agreement is an agreed but limited funding package which the Parish can use to pay its own contractors to cut PRowS when required to replace the current cutting schedule provided by ECC.</p> <p>The Parish Council will need to decide which, if either, of these options it would like to adopt.</p>	
FP1	Off Bombose Lane around Bombose Farm The fingerpost remains obscured from sight by dense hedging. The kissing gate at the edge of the road can get overrun by brambles and nettles. This will be dealt with this autumn/winter.	2777380 15/05/2022
FP5	From the BR22 Ferriers Lane in a westerly direction towards Hornes Green The spring which cuts right across the footpath just beyond the Ferriers Barns has not dried up at all over the summer and the area has become quite boggy. More bricks will be put down to create a firmer footway once the vegetation has died back. During the summer the verges of the woodland section of this footpath have been cleared of nettles and brambles. Having eventually secured this reinstated footpath, it requires regular maintenance to ensure that it doesn't become overgrown again.	

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FP8	From Colne Road opposite White Dragon Archery in a northerly direction to Ferriers Cottage The section approaching the brook and the footbridge has been regularly strimmed back by the Footpath Warden during the summer and still needs monitoring.	
FP13	Footpath off Fishpits Lane opposite Polstead Farm leading along Lamarsh Park There is no fingerpost at this point or any indication that this is a PROW. This will be dealt with by ECC during the autumn/winter maintenance schedule.	2777141 15/05/2022
FP14/BWY15	Footpath from Ravensfield Farm to Polstead Farm Damaged old-style concrete fingerpost. Byway from Ravensfield Farm to Hornes Green Both PROWs originate from the same point. The Byway has no finger post. As above, ECC hopes to deal with all these longstanding issues over the coming autumn/winter.	2777143 2777139 15/05/2022
FP21	From Master Farm along the field margin to the Cambridge Brook Another tree has come down by the Cambridge Brook at the point where there have been several fallen trees in recent times. The tree does not pose an obstruction.	
FP23	From Hobb's Well, south-west to Craig's Lane along a field margin The short fenced-in corridor alongside the property Hobb's Well has been kept clear of nettles and will continue to need regular attention until winter sets in.	
FYI	Quiet Lanes Suffolk. The legal designation for Wave 3 lanes (Hollow Lane, St Edmund Lane) has been signed off. SC Highways are preparing the signage work packs and as soon as they are available for collection , Parishes will be able to collect the signs probably at the end of September, early October. The legal designation process for the Wave 4 lanes (Smallbridge Entry, Mill Hill) is underway but may take some weeks to complete.	

Jan Aries 11th September 2022