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	All the footpaths in the Parish have been checked and are in general good order. Some routine maintenance will be necessary over the coming months to keep nettles and verges under control.	
QLS	An informal virtual public consultation was held on 26 th April as part of the Annual Parish Meeting. Verbal concern regarding Hollow Lane was made prior to the meeting. Written support for St Edmunds Lane had also been received. Following strong opposition made both by email and at the meeting by residents on Arger Fen, it was decided to withdraw from Wave 2 of the proposals to designate certain roads in the parish as Quiet Lanes. Bures St Mary Parish Council, having moved into Wave 3, will now need to make a minuted vote 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)	
	Assington Parish Council have submitted the northern section of route U8607, known as Wormingford Road, from Gazeley Gate to Rose Green to become a Quiet Lane in Wave 2 and are disappointed that the remainder of the route remains uncertain. Currently, total costs to the Parish Council for Wave 2, are that the first route is free then £50 donation for each subsequent route. It is assumed at this time that these costs will also apply to Wave 3 submissions. The final decision by the Parish Council to proceed with Wave 3 must be submitted to QLS by 2 nd August (next Parish Council meeting 22 nd July). The formal notification to the public by SCC commences on 23 rd August. The deadline for public representations to the SCC will be 13 th September.	

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Number	Items of Interest	
BWY5	The Croft leading to the Sudbury Road	
	A request has been put in for the Parish contractor to trim the hedge and the verges.	
FP14	From Sewage Works to the gate leading onto the flood meadow towards Smallbridge	
	The verges will need strimming in the near future. To be arranged with the Parish	
	Contractor.	
FP16	From Sudbury Road to St Edmunds Lane	
	There are significant ongoing tree works to the length of the adjoining property White	
	Lodge' with some damage to the fencing. When the work is completed, the verges for the	
	length of the footpath will need to be strimmed.	
FP21	From Cuckoo Hill via steps to a crossfield path to the Assington Road	
	The crossfield path has been ploughed and the public are tending to use the field margin	
	instead. If a usable path does not get 'walked in', the farm manager will be approached	
	about 'firming up' a crossfield path.	

Jan Aries 12th May 2021