

Item EL23:70 Report by Footpaths warden

A. Work undertaken since December meeting

1. Little Lane bridleway (BW7). Clearance of side vegetation to achieve a width of 2.5m and height of 3.2m (for horses) finished just before



Christmas. Clearance of brash to path sides and construction of dead hedges hampered by lack of stakes but ongoing. There have been many appreciative comments on facebook and direct to footpaths@wickhammarketpc.com from walkers and riders. Hopefully, some appreciation also that it has been a Parish

Council initiative.



2. B1438 Pavement (Photo left - not a PRow footpath). Finished clearance of worst section restricting pavement width running up to cemetery entrance.

3. Footway uneven flagstone issue around Medical Centre. Thanks to V-C David Chenery for contact with SCC and ESC. ESC have undertaken to 'have a look at the problem'

4. Report (29.01.24) to SCC Footpaths officer (Debbie Adams) on work undertaken since August 2023 and request for funding assistance for brushcutter/trimmer purchase but no response received as yet.

5. Wrote copy for page on Footpaths for December Parish News

B. Plans for work up to next E&L

1. FP18 Fowl's Watering to White Bridges. Cutting back of vegetation by White Bridges to widen path and alleviate muddy section. Simple ditching to provide drainage after flood events. Sorting out of signposting at four way junction inside The Oaks. (This is in Campsea Ashe but cleared with Parish Clerk)
2. Dead hedging on Little Lane (BW7) as stakes become available.
3. Waymarking on FP1(Hacheston) and FP14A(Campsea Ashe) Ashe road to Ashmoor farm
4. Further work on the possibility of a permissive path linking FP18 at Fowl's Watering to Pettistree FP7 (Loudham Hall Road to Chapel Lane)
5. Keeping up the pressure to get funding for a brushcutter/trimmer which becomes more urgent as seasonal growth begins.