

Transcript of Email from Richard Biggin (Holbrook Parish Council Footpath Officer) o David Jenkinson (DCC)

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To: David Jenkinson (Economy Transport and Communities Derbyshire County Council

Cc: Hannah Owen Holbrook Parish Council Clerk

Subject: **Holbrook Parish Council - Footpath Walk**

David

It is again that time of year when Holbrook Parish Council walk all the Public Footpaths in the Parish; all the paths were walked and checked during the week commencing 26th June 2017; two concessionary paths were also added to our schedule this year. Here is a brief summary report covering our findings during the walk :-

1. In general the FPs were in good condition – to quote one walker – the FPs were clearer than I can remember!
2. FP 6 – this is the one alongside the A38 slip road where you arranged a major cut back – the stile at the southern end (SK 37001 44402) by the footbridge has a broken step; this is not particularly critical as most people bypass the stile as the fence has gone.
3. FP 9 – dangerous nail on stile entering Booths Wood – I will deal with this. Area of steps around disused railway line, at junction with Kilburn FP 1 very overgrown (SK 37281 45502) – not sure who owns the old railway line currently but the whole area is becoming very overgrown.
4. FP 10 – overgrown to the east of the footbridge at SK37071 45477.
5. FP 16 – some overgrowth at stiles – I will deal with this.
6. FP 19 - some overgrowth at stiles – I will deal with this.
7. FP 9 – is this the right number? This path starts on Portway at SK36506 44332 just north of the junction with Nether Lane. The official stile in the walk lacks a sign post and walkers have adopted a different path through the farm gate just south of the stile opposite Nether lane, not a major problem for us but the tenant farmer may eventually object.
8. Concessionary Paths for your information.
 - a) Through Coxbench Wood starting on Alfreton Road at SK 37033 43559 and joining FP25/Whittaker Lane at SK 36598 42907. No problems.
 - b) From Portway at SK 36456 44597 to Nether Lane (FP7) at SK 36586 44607; this is one of the old village rope walks, a bit overgrown but not a major problem.

Overall with the provision of new gates on some paths, for which many thanks, things are looking quite good. Looking forward to our continued cooperation as discussed at the recent meeting at Shipley.

All the best

Richard

Holbrook Parish Council Footpath Officer.