



# Buckinghamshire County Council

## Minutes

## *BUCKINGHAMSHIRE LOCAL ACCESS FORUM*

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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BUCKINGHAMSHIRE LOCAL ACCESS FORUM HELD ON WEDNESDAY 20 MARCH 2019, IN MEZZANINE ROOM 1, COUNTY HALL, AYLESBURY, COMMENCING AT 10.02 AM AND CONCLUDING AT 11.54 AM.**

### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mr D Briggs in the Chair

Mr W Chapple OBE, Mr J Elfes, Mr A Lambourne, Ms A Heath, Mr A Clark, Mr B Worrell and Mr C Harriss

### **OFFICERS PRESENT**

Mr J Clark, Ms J Taylor and Ms E Hackling

### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Mrs S Bayne, Ms S Wright, Mr K Foster and Ms S Taylor

### **1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Mr G Caspersz, Ms H Francis, Mr G Thomas and Mr R Pushman.

Mr D Briggs chaired the meeting in Mr Pushman's absence.

### **2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **3 MATTER ARISING / MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING TO BE CONFIRMED**

The minutes and actions of the meeting held on 7 November 2018 were reviewed and the following points were noted:

Item 6 – LAF Members' Report; Mr B Worrell also attended the barbeque at Black Park to thank volunteers for their work in the county.

Item 7 – Any Other Business; Mr J Clark to follow on the action to recirculate the 'promoted routes spreadsheet' for comment.

**ACTION: Mr Clark**

**RESOLVED: The minutes of the meeting held on 7 November 2018 were AGREED as an accurate record, subject to the minor amendment noted above,**

and were signed by the Chairman.

#### 4 RIGHTS OF WAY IMPROVEMENT PLAN 2018-2028 UPDATE

Mrs S Bayne, Director, Blackwood Bayne Ltd attended the meeting and provided the following update:

- The Rights of Way Improvement Plan (ROWIP) was midway through the engagement phase and would continue for a further 4-6 months.
- There had been an excellent response to the survey which would close on 31 March 2019; 1,180 full online responses and 233 part responses had been received.
- Mrs Bayne asked members of the Local Access Forum (LAF) to promote the survey.
- The results had not yet been analysed.
- 43 parish councils had responded. Mrs Bayne would be contacting the remaining parish councils to encourage a response by mid-April; a slightly later deadline to give them time to discuss the ROWIP at their parish council meetings.
- Stakeholder organisations had been contacted but not many had responded so far.
- Mrs Bayne had met with representatives from Colne Valley Regional Park and the Chilterns Conservation Board and was trying to meet people who were not traditional rights of way users.
- The LEAP organisation, whose role was to try to get people active, was taking part in the ROWIP process.
- Mrs Bayne had spoken to a number of organisations such Bucks Vision, Parkinsons UK, Chilterns Multiple Sclerosis Centre, Visit Buckinghamshire and Berryfields (a new community).
- Engagement would cease in early May and the responses would be analysed and presented at the extra ordinary LAF meeting on 21 May 2019 at Green Park.

The following key points were discussed:

- The Chairman stressed the importance of the LAF members attending the meeting on 21 May 2019 which would be solely on the ROWIP.
- In response to a question from a member of the forum Mrs Bayne confirmed that no analysis had been carried out to define the mix of the 1,180 respondents.
- A member of the forum stated he thought a priority should be to look at the missing links in the existing network; Mrs Bayne confirmed that comments could be added on the survey.
- Mr K Foster from Cycling UK highlighted the importance of the integration between the ROWIP and the [Cycling and Walking Investment Strategy](#), to help create a consistent flow between urban and country footpaths.
- In response to a question as to whether the Lost Ways Project could be restored and considered as part of the ROWIP, Mrs Bayne stated she would need to discuss this point with her team.
- Mr Foster advised that sometimes it was a more financially effective solution to do a creation order rather than go through the Lost Ways process.
- The draft ROWIP plan would be published in the autumn of 2019 for a draft consultation period and be adopted in early 2020.

The Chairman thanked Mrs Bayne for the update.

## 5 RIDGEWAY RIDING ROUTE

Ms S Wright, Ridgeway National Trail Officer and Mr K Foster, Cycling UK attended the meeting.

Ms S Wright provided a short presentation, appended to the minutes, on the circular rides and walks that were promoted by the Ridgeway National Trail and used part of the Ridgeway. Ms Wright highlighted the following:

- The Ridgeway Partnership was a group of organisations/people who decided a review of the circular walks/rides was required; also, some of the leaflets were very out of date.
- The Ridgeway Partnership recognised there was a real demand for cycling these days, and wanted to cater for cyclists, young people and families and provide an 'easy access' set of leaflets.
- The draft vision listed the criteria and the attractions to be incorporated to help decide which circular rides/walks should be promoted. Ms Wright asked the forum members to let her or Mr Clark know if anything was missing from the list.
- Slide 5 showed a list of highlights/landmarks which had been rated as tier 1 or 2.

During discussion the following key points were raised:

- Members of the forum suggested the monument on Aston Hill as it was used to trial Aston Martins; Whiteleaf Cross, the Kop Hill Climb and Halton Cycling Hub.
- It was suggested that cafes in towns such as Princes Risborough provide discount vouchers to encourage walkers/cyclists to visit.
- In response to a question on the next steps, Ms Wright stated that once the routes were decided and were in good order, they would be promoted on the website and leaflets would be produced.
- Ms Wright clarified that it was a way of investing in Buckinghamshire and that she would apply for funding if investment in a circular route was required.

Mr K Foster, National Off-road Cycling Adviser for the UK provided a presentation, appended to the minutes, and highlighted the following:

- The data on how people used the national trails showed that 89% arrived by car; the vast majority walked 0-5 miles or 6-10 miles; 7% of people cycled on the Ridgeway compared to 5% on the South Downs Way and 31% on the Pennine Bridgeway; which was probably due to promotion in the area.
- 90% of Ridgeway users were out for the day and long distance circular walks were important as people did not want to walk back along the same trail.
- Cyclists were the predominant users for six months of the year and there was clear evidence of demand for National Trail type routes, however, only half of the Ridgeway permitted cycling.
- There had been complaints regarding the lack of connectivity in the National Trail and that cycling was not permitted on the whole route.
- Gateway locations were important in order to improve the user experience e.g. car parks, railway stations, country parks, Forestry Commission properties etc.
- Thought needed to be given to how to encourage people to walk from home rather than drive a short distance.
- There were huge opportunities for the rural economy e.g. rural pubs, cafes, and B&B's, campsites and bunkhouse options.
- Mr Foster showed possible draft routes with identified interventions which may be of benefit and asked for feedback/comments. Ms Wright explained that

there were parts of the Ridgeway in Buckinghamshire that were footpath and these stretches needed to be looked at to see how to create a route that could be used by cyclists, horse riders and walkers.

The following key points were raised during discussion:

- A member of the forum emphasised the need for parking at any access points.
- In response to a member of the forum asking if there was any data on where people travelled from, Ms Wright offered to find out.

**ACTION: Ms Wright**

- It was suggested that a survey be carried out on Facebook by the British Horse Society for local riders in the area.
- Mr Foster advised there was potential for a rambler ticket to be provided by the rail networks.
- Walking on the Ridgeway should be promoted at Marylebone Station.
- Ms Wright stated she had met with Chiltern Railways and the Chilterns Conservation Board who were keen to have cycle hire available at Princes Risborough and Wendover railway stations.
- Ms Wright explained she would be surveying the routes which ran parallel to the Ridgeway e.g. the Swans Way which needed a large amount of maintenance (signage and surfacing) and the Icknield Way. Volunteers would also help survey the options.
- Ms J Taylor, Team Leader, Rights of Way, advised that The Swans Way was a critical route and stated she would treat any surface problems as a priority. As The Swans Way extended into Oxfordshire it was recommended Ms Taylor contact Mr Harris at Oxfordshire County Council to suggest they also treat it as a priority.

**ACTION: Ms Taylor**

- A member of the forum stated that the impact of the popularity of cycles with electric engines should be considered as cyclists could travel longer distances.
- Ms Wright asked members of the forum for suggestions on suitable gateways (places where people access the trail) e.g. rural car parks. Once the gateways were identified, facilities could be improved.

The Chairman thanked Ms Wright and Mr Foster for their presentations.

## **6 RIGHTS OF WAY GROUP REPORT**

### **DEFINITIVE MAP**

Ms E Hackling, Definitive Map Officer, stated that the latest update was contained in the agenda pack and that the Public Path Orders were up to date. There were some outstanding Modification Orders and these would be dealt with as quickly as possible.

**RESOLVED: The Forum NOTED the report.**

### **STRATEGIC ACCESS**

Mr J Clark, Strategic Access Officer, provided the following update on HS2:

- HS2 were fencing off all areas where possession was being taken for construction e.g. Ellen Road in Aylesbury.
- In the area south-west of Aylesbury some fences had been cut in protest, but almost all the rights of way had been kept open; HS2 were working around the public footpath network and the main footpath closure was on Chalfont Lane, near Maple Cross and the M25; this would be closed for the entire

construction period.

- Preliminary discussions on bridge design had commenced: there would be approximately 60 new bridges in Buckinghamshire.
- Bi-lateral meetings with Heathrow Airport were taking place; it was hoped that funding would be obtained to improve the cycling routes around Iver, Black Park, Pinewood Studios and to Slough.

It was also noted that:

- The number of district council planning applications affecting rights of way had risen significantly in 2019; particularly in Aylesbury Vale.
- The Chilterns “Donate a Gate” scheme was continuing.
- A member of the forum mentioned that there were three bridleway bridges in the Grendon Underwood and Quainton area and expressed concern over the HS2 and the East West Rail organisations which would be working in the area and whether the bridleway would be incorporated into the new bridge. The Chairman suggested that a letter to the appropriate people, stating that there was general concern from the forum; it was felt that there needed to be a common-sense approach to the bridges. However, Mr Clark pointed out that the East West Rail project was still in the planning process.

**ACTION: Mr J Clark**

## **OPERATIONS**

Ms J Taylor, Team Leader, Rights of Way, reported that Ms C Brownsell, the Bridging Inspector, was on maternity leave and was due to return to work in May 2019. There were currently six full time equivalent Rights of Way team members.

The Summary of Maintenance Carried Out table in the agenda pack showed the figures for the period from 1 April to 31 December 2018 were slightly up on last year on clearance and bridges completed. However, there was still a backlog of bridging problems to resolve, and there was also an increase in the number of outstanding issues on the network.

**Capital projects** – these were almost complete with two projects outstanding. Extra capital money was acquired for works to be carried out in this financial year on Hillesden Bridleway 11A, Great Marlow BW52, Ivinghoe FP37 and Fawley FP12. This would reduce the amount of money available for capital projects for the year 2019/20 by the equivalent amount of overspend in 2018/19.

The Wexham project BW21 improvements had been put on hold due to a possible County Council planning application to carry out major groundworks on the site.

The clearance figure was up as an outside contractor had been employed which allowed the existing team to carry out the bridge works.

The launch of the new Rights of Way online reporting tool, CAMs Web, had been set back several months due to ‘accessibility’ compliance. However, testing was in the final stages and it was due to go live week commencing 25 March 2019. Ms Taylor showed the new reporting tool on screen, presentation appended to the minutes, and highlighted the following points:

- The map could be seen without logging in to the site.
- Any Parish Council or user group with links on their websites to the old system had received an email to advise the new system was in place.
- An email address and password would be required to log in and report an issue.
- Issues could also be reported via the contact centre.

- An explanation of what should be reported would be included and the reporting page would include a link to Fix My Street for issues relating to pavements/roads.
- The tool would only allow an issue to be reported if it was within 50 metres of a right of way.
- Reported issues would appear on the map instantly.
- Photographs could be uploaded.
- People could volunteer to be a footpath warden and be assigned work. However, it was agreed that discussion would be needed with the Chiltern Society as to how the process would work, for the path maintenance volunteers.

**ACTION: Ms Taylor**

## **7 LAF MEMBERS' REPORT**

Mr J Clark, Strategic Access Officer, reported the following:

- The Buckinghamshire LAF Annual Report for April 2017 – March 2018 was almost complete and asked members of the forum to let him know if anything needed to be added; it would then be published on the website.
- There was an error on the front page of the agenda; the meeting on 24 July 2019 would start at 10.00 a.m.

## **8 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

A member of the forum requested an update on the Unitary Authority. Mr C Harriss reported that the court had refused the district councils' (Chiltern, Wycombe and South Bucks) request for a Judicial Review. A number of formal meetings would now take place; the officers on the various councils were working well together and the benefits would be seen in the future.

## **9 DATE OF NEXT AND FUTURE MEETINGS**

The extra ordinary meeting, solely on the Rights of Way Improvement Plan, would be held at the Stafford Room, Stables Block, Green Park, Stablebridge Road, Aston Clinton, HP22 5NE at 10.00 am on Tuesday 21 May 2019.

The next Buckinghamshire Local Access Forum would be held on 24 July 2019 at **10.00** am.

**Chairman**



## **RIDGEWAY UPDATE TO BUCKS LAF**

## **RIDGEWAY RIDING ROUTE AND RIDGEWAY CIRCULAR WALKS AND RIDES**

Wed 20<sup>th</sup> March 2019

***Sarah Wright - Ridgeway Project Officer***  
***Kieran Foster – Cycling UK***

# The Ridgeway NATIONAL TRAIL



The Ridgeway passes over the chalk hills of the Chilterns and North Wessex Downs AONBs. It is 87 miles long between Ivinghoe Beacon and Avebury. It is one of 15 National Trails in England and Wales.

Since its launch in June 2015, The Ridgeway Partnership oversees management. Partners include local authorities, Country Land and Business Association, British Horse Society, Ramblers Society, Chilterns Society, AONBs etc.

The National Trails workshop is based at Eynsham near Oxford. Routine maintenance of the Trail is done by Trail and partner volunteers.



London lies just to the east. The M40 and M4 cut across The Ridgeway, with major railway lines passing nearby too.

**National Trails across England need your support. DEFRA funding to the Trails reduces by 5% in 2019-20, with potential for further cuts in future years - the Ridgeway grant is £64,025. It is now critical to fundraise and pool resources in order to provide a great Trail to the public.**



# *The Ridgeway* NATIONAL TRAIL



## **DRAFT vision for Ridgeway circular walks and rides promoted by The Ridgeway Partnership**



- Opportunities for all Ridgeway user groups – walkers, cyclists, horse riders.
- Experiences for the full range of abilities within these user groups, but the main focus should be upon easy to moderate.
- At least one walk and one ride in the Chilterns and in the North Wessex Downs AONB which could be considered ‘easy access’.
- Inspires people to visit The Ridgeway and try areas they have not visited before.
- Provides positive visitor experiences throughout the year.
- Is convenient to travel to, e.g. train station, car parking.
- Promotes good quality and distinctive local businesses.
- Encourages sustainable and responsible behaviour.
- Meets or is close to National Trail standards.
- Strengthens The Ridgeway and National Trail brand.
- Recognises the assistance of partners and volunteers in the maintenance of the routes.
- Celebrates the highlights/landmarks on and very near The Ridgeway. Together these features must convey the full ‘story’ and local distinctiveness of the Trail in terms of range of natural and cultural heritage, local communities, great local services, sporting challenge etc.

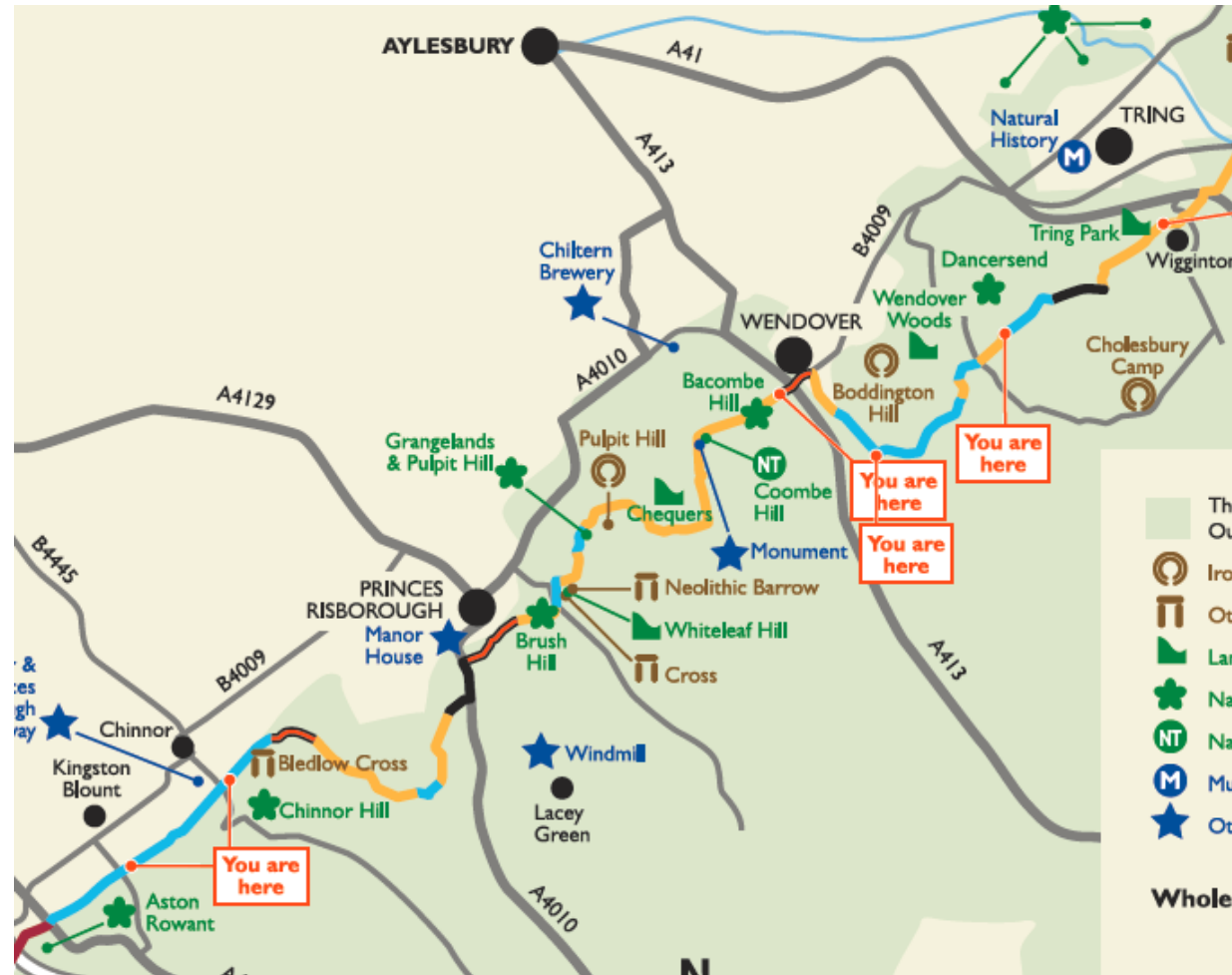
# The Ridgeway NATIONAL TRAIL



Attractions to be incorporated:

- Great pubs, cafes, farmshops.
- Great viewpoints, especially scenic landscapes, striking landforms.
- Visible historic features and battlefields.
- Attractive historic buildings, churches and settlements.
- Innovative/unique visitor attractions including special shops, e.g. breweries, museums.
- Sporting challenges, e.g. county high points.
- Nature reserves open to the public.
- Spiritual and creative places, e.g. places in famous poems.

What does the Buckinghamshire stretch contribute to The Ridgeway's appeal?



Attractions to be excluded:

- Manor House, Princes Risborough – not catering for visitors particularly
- Cholesbury Camp, St Leonards – too far from Trail corridor

# The Ridgeway NATIONAL TRAIL



Tier	Highlight/landmark All highlights and landmarks along Ridgeway in Bucks - first tier (national/international highlights marked yellow) and second tier. Avebury World Heritage Site included in order to put Bucks highlights into context.	Ancient / attractive historic settlements	Natural / Landscape / viewpoints	Creative / Spiritual	Living	Sporting
1	Avebury henge / <b>World Heritage Site</b>	Y		Y		
1	Chinnor and Princes Risborough tourist railway	Y			Y	
1	Bledlow Cross	Y				
1	Whiteleaf cross / Neolithic barrow / <b>Nash brother artists</b> / Whiteleaf and Brush Hill nature reserves Chiltern Society	Y	Y	Y		
1	Granglands SSSI BBOWT		Y			
1	Pulpit Hill SSSI / hillfort National Trust	Y	Y			
1	Chequers Knap SSSI		Y			
1	<b>Kimble box woods</b>		Y			
1	<b>Chequers / prime ministers</b>	Y			Y	
1	Coombe hill SSSI National Trust/ Bacombe BBOWT / monument / trig point	Y	Y			
1	Chiltern Brewery, Butlers Cross				Y	
1	Wendover village	Y			Y	
1	Wendover Woods and <b>Aston Hill mountain bike centre</b> Forestry Commission / Boddington hillfort/ Haddington Hill highest hill in Bucks	Y	Y			Y
1	Pavis, Northill and Black Woods / highest hill in Hertfordshire		Y			Y
2	Bledlow village	Y			Y	
2	Lacey Green windmill Chiltern Society	Y				
2	Lodge Hill SSSI		Y			
2	Little Kimble church	Y				
2	Low Scrubs SSSI National Trust	Y	Y			
2	Dancers End SSSI BBOWT		Y			
2	Weston Turville Reservoir		Y			
2	Aston Clinton Ragpits		Y			

# *The Ridgeway* NATIONAL TRAIL



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**To report a problem on The Ridgeway, tell the National Trail Team and/or the local highway authority -**

**[ridgeway@oxfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:ridgeway@oxfordshire.gov.uk)**

**01865 810224**

**If urgent, call 07825 314791**

**If you see a crime in progress on The Ridgeway, call 999. Otherwise, call 101.**

**For visitor info and other enquiries:**

**[ridgeway@oxfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:ridgeway@oxfordshire.gov.uk)**

**01865 810224**

**[www.nationaltrail.co.uk/ridgeway](http://www.nationaltrail.co.uk/ridgeway)**

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# Ridgeway National Trail

Development of a  
Ridgeway Riders Route



NATIONAL  
TRAILS

we are  
**cycling**  
The cyclists' champion **UK**

The  
British  
Horse  
Society



# National Trails - The Vision

## National Parks Committee 1947 (Hobhouse)

*“We also attach importance to the provision of long distance paths and bridleways in and between National Parks and Conservation Areas. There should be continuous routes which will enable walkers and riders to travel the length and breadth of the Parks, moving as little as possible on the motor roads.*”

## National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act, 1949

*“...the public should be enabled to make extensive journeys on foot or on horseback along a particular route, being a route for which the whole or the greater part of its length does not pass along roads mainly used by vehicles”*

(in 1968 this definition was broadened to include pedal cyclists)

# Current patterns of use - How are National Trail users getting there?

## 3.4 Transport mode used to travel to the National Trail

**Q. What is the MAIN form of transport you have used to get to the start of your visit to this trail from your home? If more than one form of transport used record that used for the longest distance. If from overseas this will be main mode of travel from where they are staying.**

**Table 13: Main mode of transport used to get to start of a visit by visitor type**

	All	Cleveland Way	Cotswold Way	Hadrian's Wall Path	Offa's Dyke Path	Pedders Way & Norfolk Coastal Path	Pennine Bridleway	Pennine Way	South West Coast Path	Yorkshire Wolds Way	New Coastal Path	The Ridgeway	South Downs Way	North Downs Way	Thames Pathway
	2415	153	150	147	157	143	161	160	199	144	201	150	251	200	199
Car or van	79%	88%	84%	80%	84%	88%	73%	88%	87%	53%	70%	89%	92%	76%	50%
Train	3%	3%	1%	8%	1%	3%	11%	8%	1%	1%	0%	2%	1%	2%	8%
Public bus or coach	1%	3%	1%	2%	1%	0%	0%	0%	4%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	5%
Coach trip/ private coach	1%	1%	1%	5%	0%	0%	1%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%
Motorcycle/ scooter	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	2%	0%
Bicycle/ mountain bike	3%	2%	0%	0%	1%	2%	3%	0%	0%	1%	5%	5%	1%	9%	14%
On foot/ walking	11%	2%	11%	1%	13%	7%	12%	3%	6%	44%	24%	1%	4%	10%	23%
Wheelchair/mobility scooter	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%
On horseback	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Boat (sail or motor)	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Taxi	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%
Other	1%	1%	2%	3%	0%	0%	0%	2%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	-	1%

## 3.5 Distance travelled

**Q4: Approximately how far, in miles, did you travel to reach this trail? By that I mean the one way distance from your home to this Trail. *Ask UK residents Only.***

**Table 14: Distance travelled**

	All	Cleveland Way	Cotswold Way	Hadrian's Wall Path	Offa's Dyke Path	Pedders Way & Norfolk Coastal Path	Pennine Bridleway	Pennine Way	South West Coast Path	Yorkshire Wolds Way	New Coastal Path	The Ridgeway	South Downs Way	North Downs Way	Thames Pathway
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0 - 5 miles	31%	1%	48%	1%	52%	9%	16%	1%	1%	59%	42%	46%	33%	50%	49%
6 - 10 miles	15%	3%	20%	2%	15%	10%	3%	1%	4%	14%	22%	28%	30%	24%	13%
11 - 15 miles	8%	6%	7%	3%	5%	8%	11%	3%	1%	8%	12%	8%	15%	11%	9%
16 - 20 miles	5%	6%	1%	5%	5%	10%	8%	5%	2%	5%	8%	3%	5%	7%	5%
21 - 30 miles	7%	13%	7%	10%	5%	11%	9%	10%	3%	3%	10%	3%	4%	3%	6%
31 - 40 miles	5%	9%	1%	11%	1%	11%	15%	11%	1%	4%	1%	1%	2%	2%	5%
41 - 50 miles	4%	4%	1%	4%	3%	6%	12%	11%	2%	1%	1%	1%	3%	1%	3%
51 - 75 miles	4%	8%	4%	4%	3%	7%	11%	15%	1%	1%	1%	6%	1%	0%	2%
76 - 100 miles	5%	14%	4%	5%	5%	7%	6%	10%	5%	1%	2%	3%	2%	1%	5%
101 - 200 miles	9%	23%	4%	29%	5%	19%	6%	15%	19%	1%	2%	2%	4%	2%	3%
More than 200 miles	9%	12%	2%	28%	3%	2%	3%	20%	60%	2%	1%	0%	1%	1%	2%

# What are they doing when they are here?

## 2.1 Visitor type

**A: Please categorise respondent. Select one response only.**

**Table 1: Visitor type by mode of transport on Trail**

	All	Cleveland Way	Cotswold Way	Hadrian's Wall Path	Offa's Dyke Path	Pedders Way & Norfolk Coastal Path	Pennine Bridleway	Pennine Way	South West Coast Path	Yorkshire Wolds Way	New Coastal Path	The Ridgeway	South Downs Way	North Downs Way	Thames Pathway
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Cycling	8%	15%	0%	0%	5%	3%	31%	1%	0%	1%	8%	7%	5%	11%	17%
Horse riding	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%
On foot with dog(s)	32%	22%	51%	4%	50%	33%	27%	18%	23%	67%	52%	30%	29%	30%	24%
On foot without dog(s)	59%	63%	49%	96%	44%	64%	42%	82%	77%	31%	37%	61%	65%	58%	57%
Other	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	3%	1%	0%	1%	2%

# How long are they staying?

**Q: Are you planning to.....?**

**Table 17: Completion of trail**

	All	Cleveland Way	Cotswold Way	Hadrian's Wall Path	Offa's Dyke Path	Pedders Way & Norfolk Coastal Path	Pennine Bridleway	Pennine Way	South West Coast Path	Yorkshire Wolds Way	New Coastal Path	The Ridgeway	South Downs Way	North Downs Way	Thames Pathway
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Complete the whole trail in one go	2%	2%	1%	3%	0%	1%	14%	0%	1%	0%	5%	1%	1%	0%	0%
Complete the whole trail in stages, e.g. over several weekends or day visits	6%	1%	3%	43%	3%	6%	2%	1%	3%	5%	5%	4%	3%	4%	7%
Follow part of it for more than one day	16%	22%	2%	22%	0%	27%	12%	29%	29%	3%	49%	5%	7%	1%	10%
Follow part of it for just today	76%	76%	95%	32%	98%	66%	71%	71%	68%	92%	41%	90%	89%	96%	83%
Complete the whole trail in one go	2%	2%	1%	3%	0%	1%	14%	0%	1%	0%	5%	1%	1%	0%	0%
Complete the whole trail in stages, e.g. over several weekends or day visits	6%	1%	3%	43%	3%	6%	2%	1%	3%	5%	5%	4%	3%	4%	7%
Follow part of it for more than one day	16%	22%	2%	22%	0%	27%	12%	29%	29%	3%	49%	5%	7%	1%	10%



## Seasonality of National Trail Use Ogbourne St George Counter: 2017 Summary

	All passers-by	Peds East	Peds West	Cycle East	Cycle West	Horse East	Horse West
FEBRUARY (22 <sup>nd</sup> onwards)	32	2	1	19	9	1	0
MARCH	186	18	13	100	54	0	1
APRIL	404	31	15	230	123	2	3
MAY	843	203	144	287	161	29	19
JUNE	1309	352	341	388 (Note b)	206	12	10
JULY	2609 (Note a)	589	1547 (Note a)	315	143	9	6
AUGUST	1483	602	419	305	137	12	8
SEPTEMBER	550	142	55	168	106	34	45 (Note c)
OCTOBER	585	215	118	161	72	9	10
NOVEMBER	569	186	196	139	39	6	3
DECEMBER	346	93	73	122	53	3	2
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>8916</b>	<b>2433</b>	<b>2922</b>	<b>2234</b>	<b>1103</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>107</b>
<b>TOTAL FOR EACH GROUP BOTH EAST AND WEST</b>			<b>Pedestrians 5355</b>		<b>Cyclists 3337</b>		<b>Horse riders 224</b>

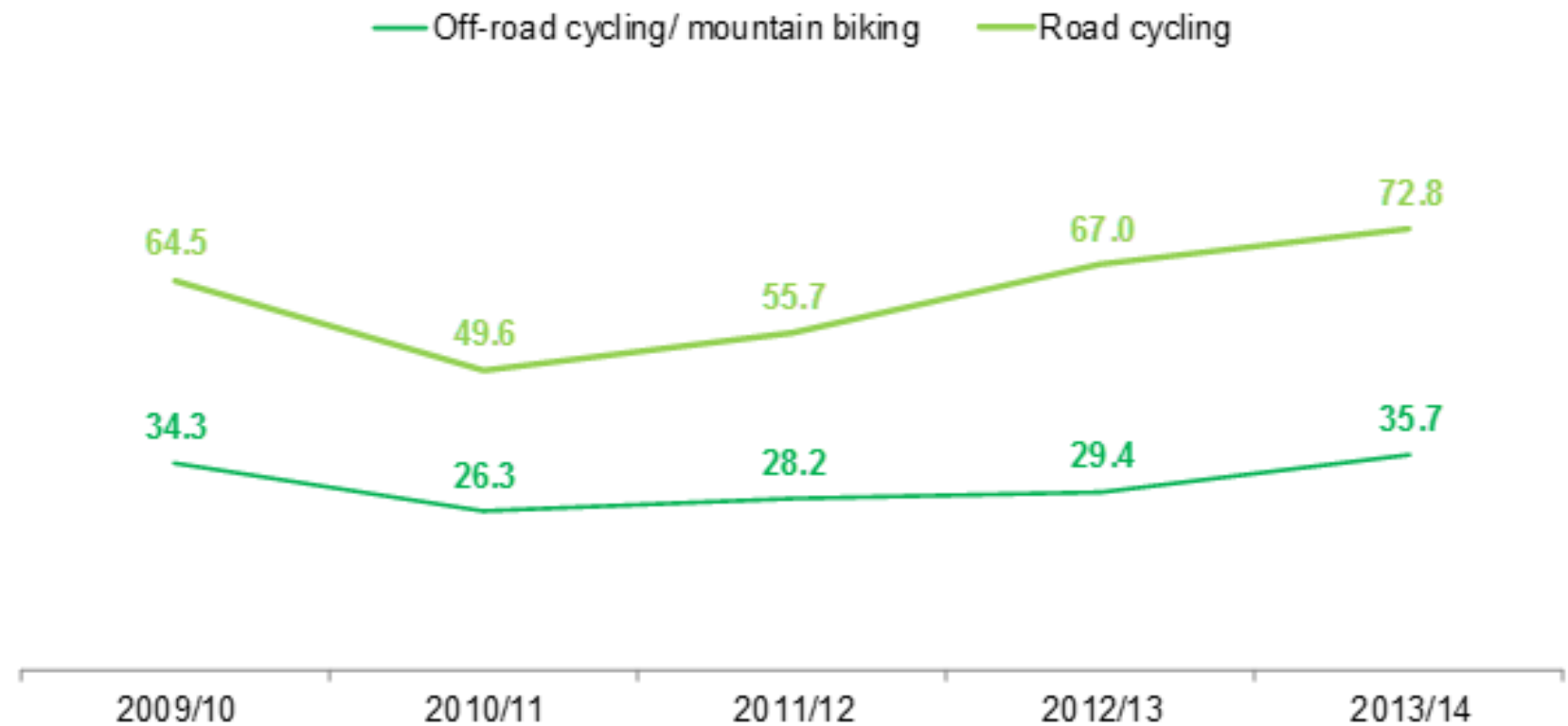
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### Notes on figures

- There appears to be more traffic recorded 'East' than 'West' for all user groups.
- Race to the Stones caused a spike in the figures on 15-16<sup>th</sup> July.
- June was the busiest month for cyclists. 125 were recorded heading east on 4<sup>th</sup> June which coincides with the Macmillan Castles Bike Ride.
- September was the busiest month for horse riders, with 18 heading west and 9 heading east on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September. No details known by RO.
- Looking at the totals for 2017, there have been 5,355 pedestrians passing the post, 3,337 cyclists and 224 horse riders. All passers-by amounted to 8,916. This could be an over-estimate of the numbers of people using the Trail as people may be passing the post more than once in one day. However, it shows the level of usage of this section of Trail.

**About 1/3 of recreational cycling activity is off-road/MTB**

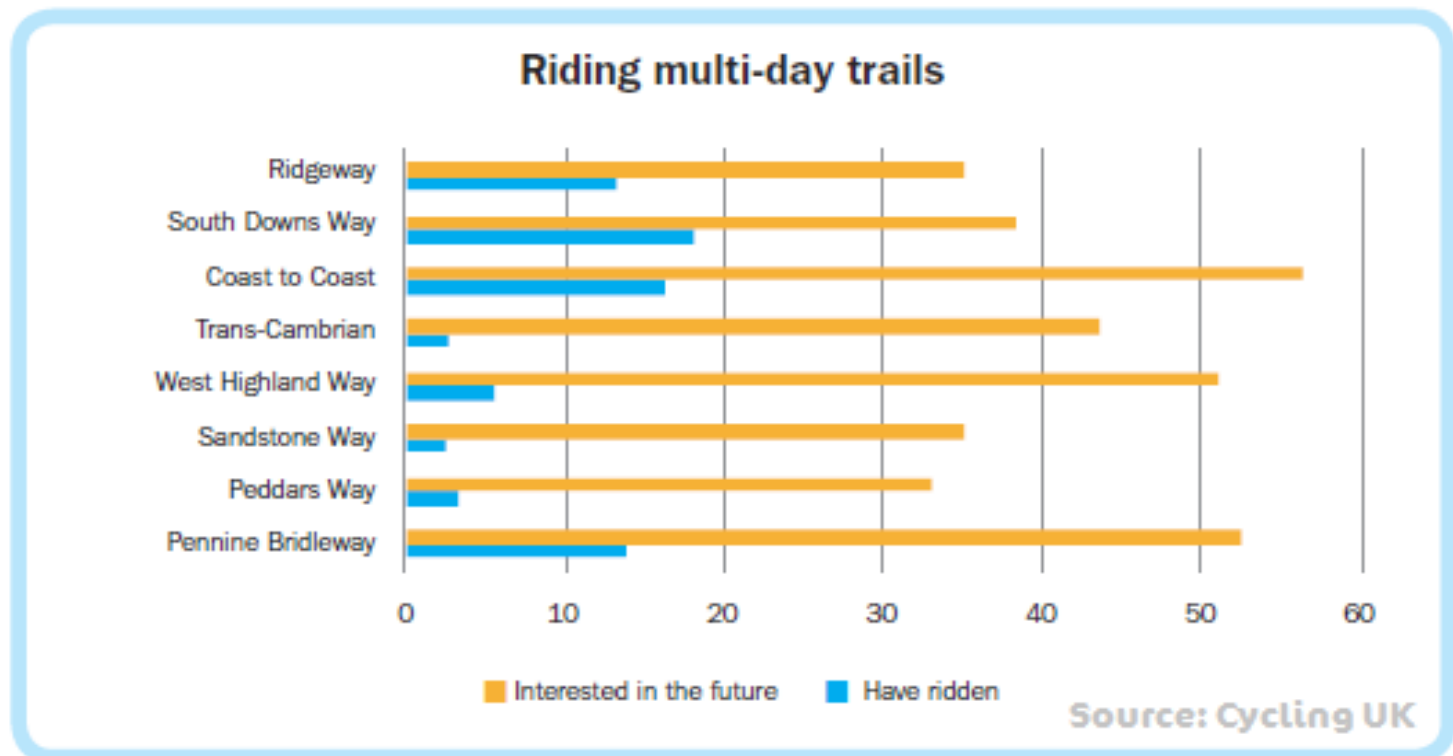
**35m+ visits (How reliable is MENE?...)**



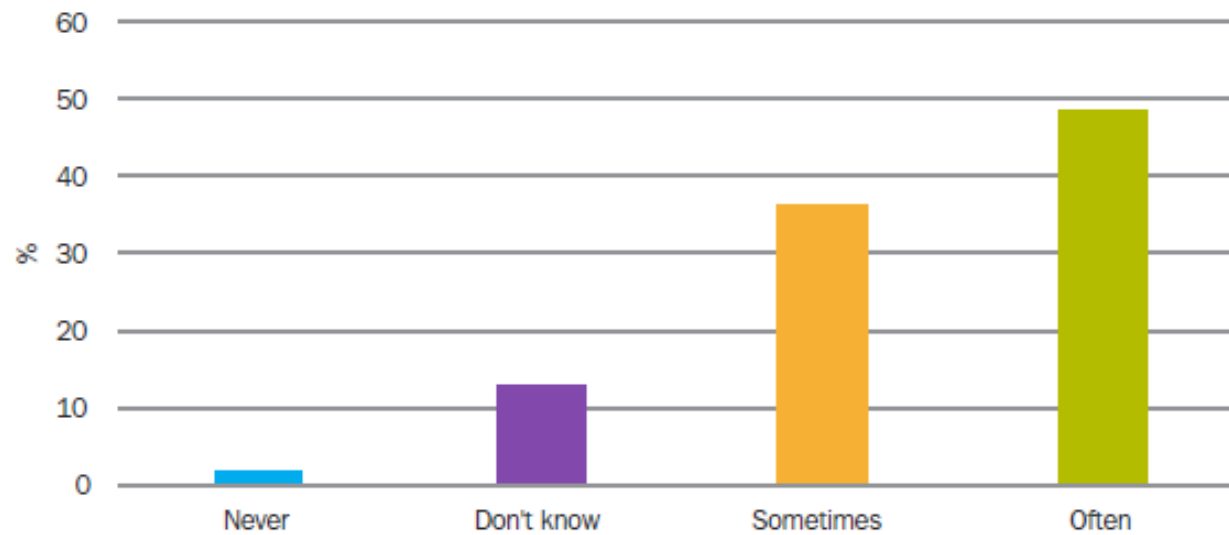
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**CUK off-road survey - 11k responses**

**Clear evidence of demand for National Trail type routes**



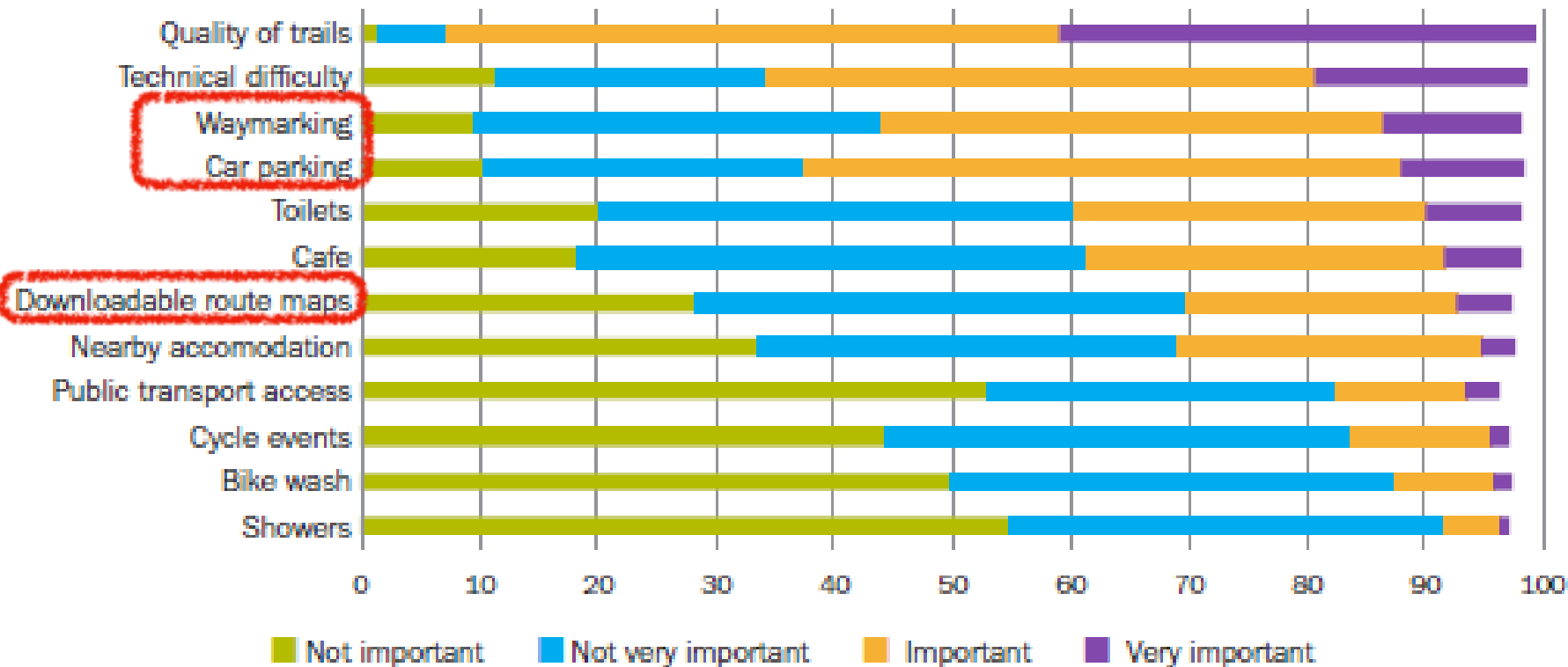
### Does the existing Public Rights of Way network make it difficult to put together a 'legal' route?



Source: Cycling UK

**Current network makes navigation difficult (lack of connectivity)**

### When visiting an area to ride, what do you consider important?

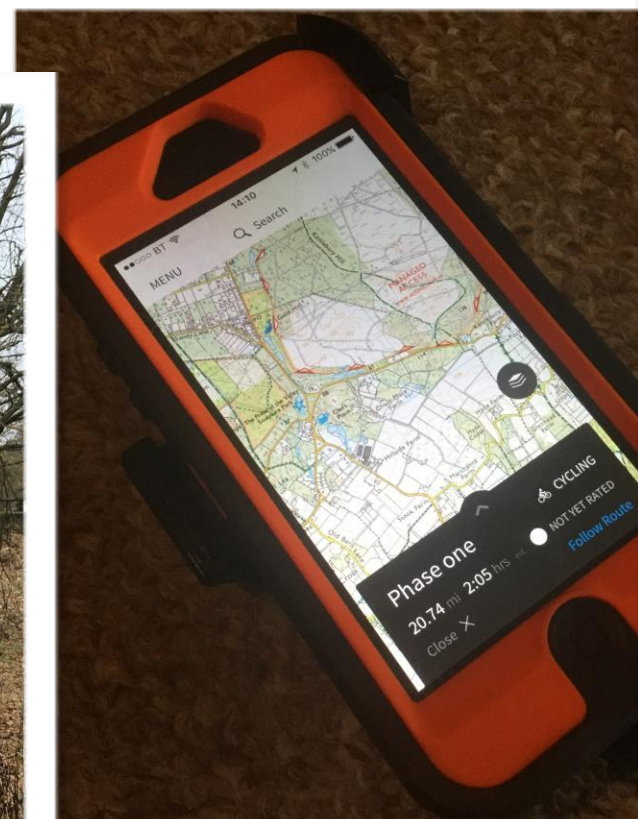


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**Controllability of factors which improve user experience?**

**How do these change with different user demographics?**

# Access Gateways, Interpretation & Infrastructure

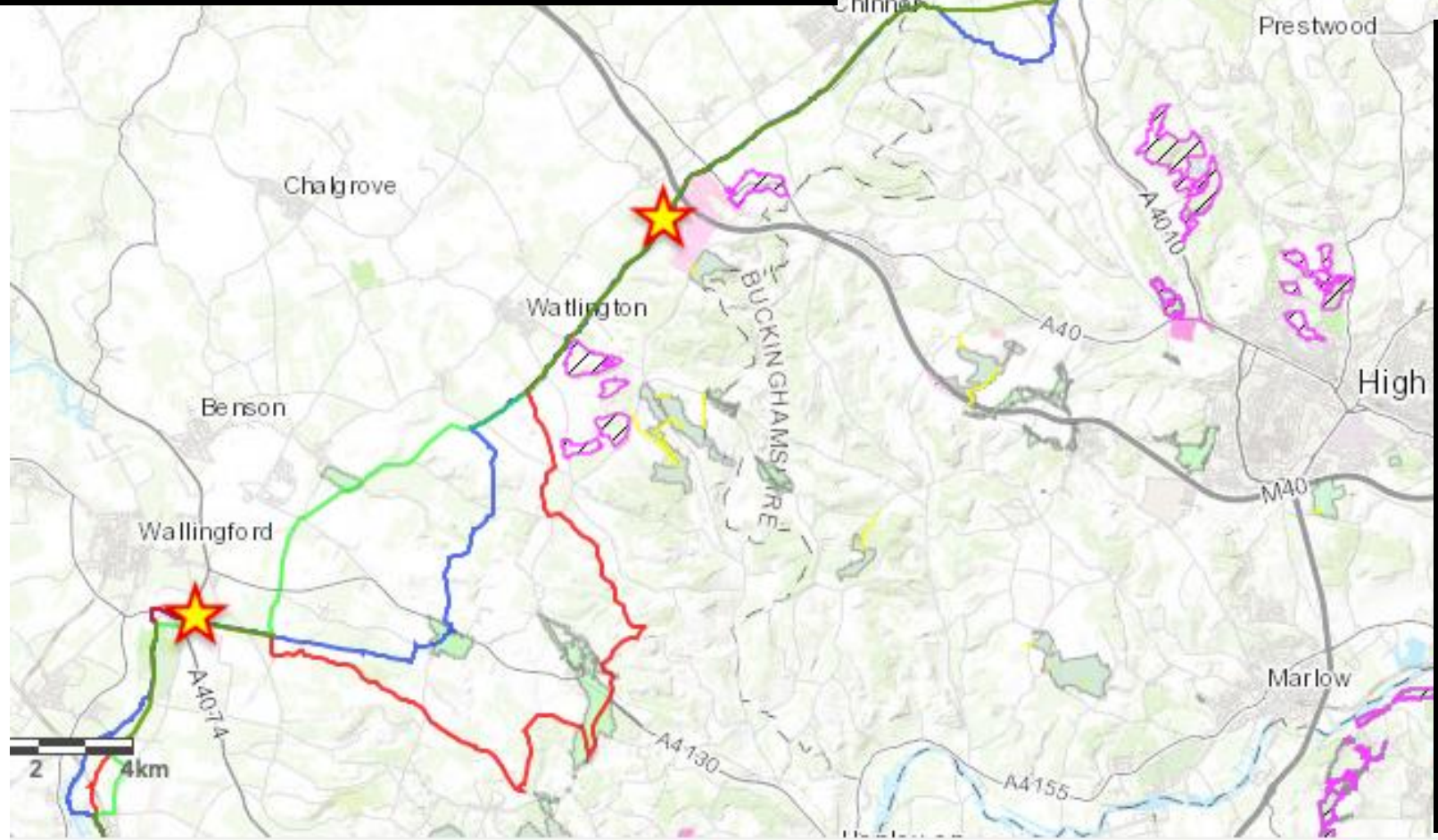
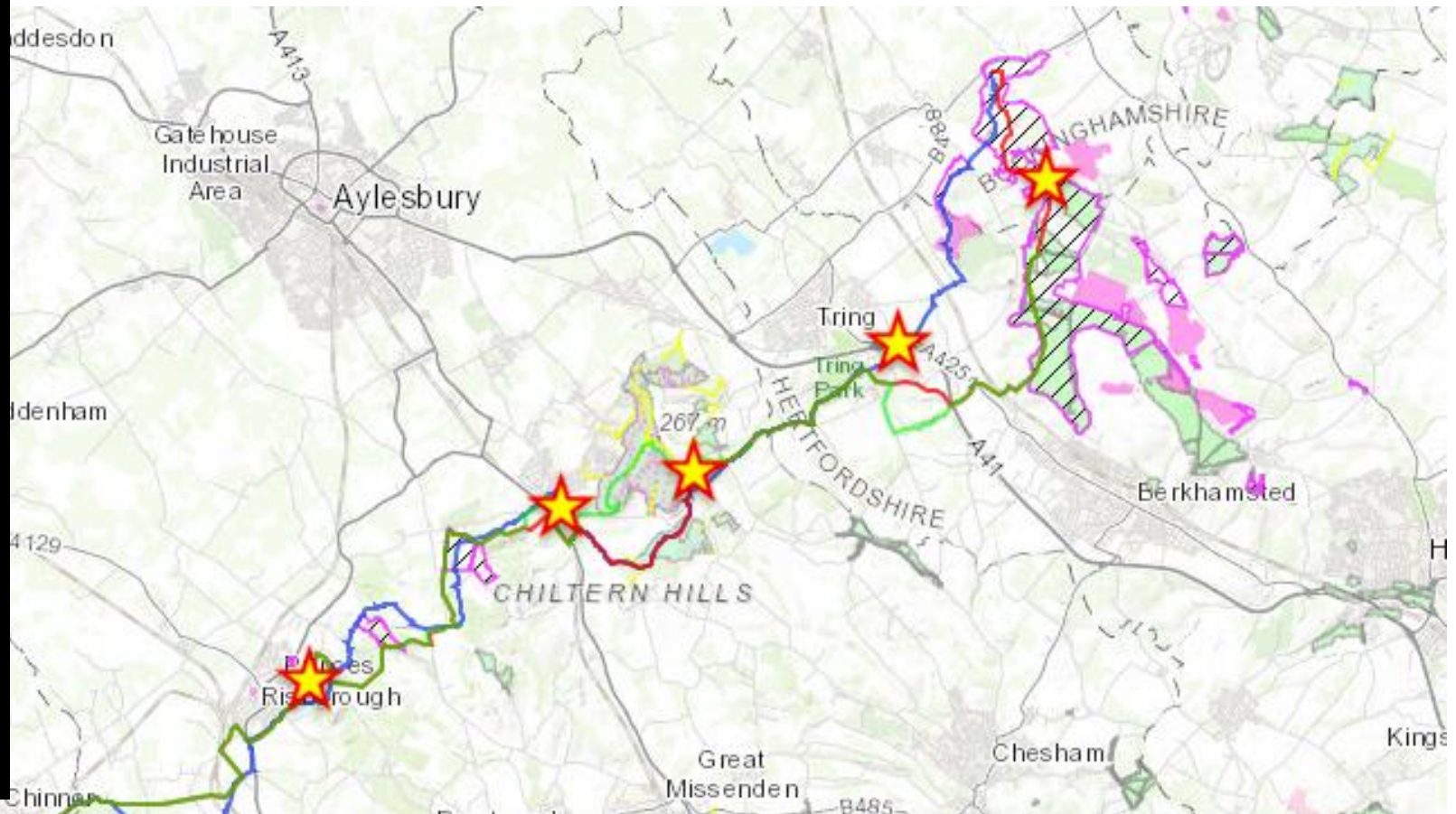


## Gateway Locations

Where do we know people access the National Trail?

Car Parks  
Train stations  
Forestry/National Trust properties  
Country Parks

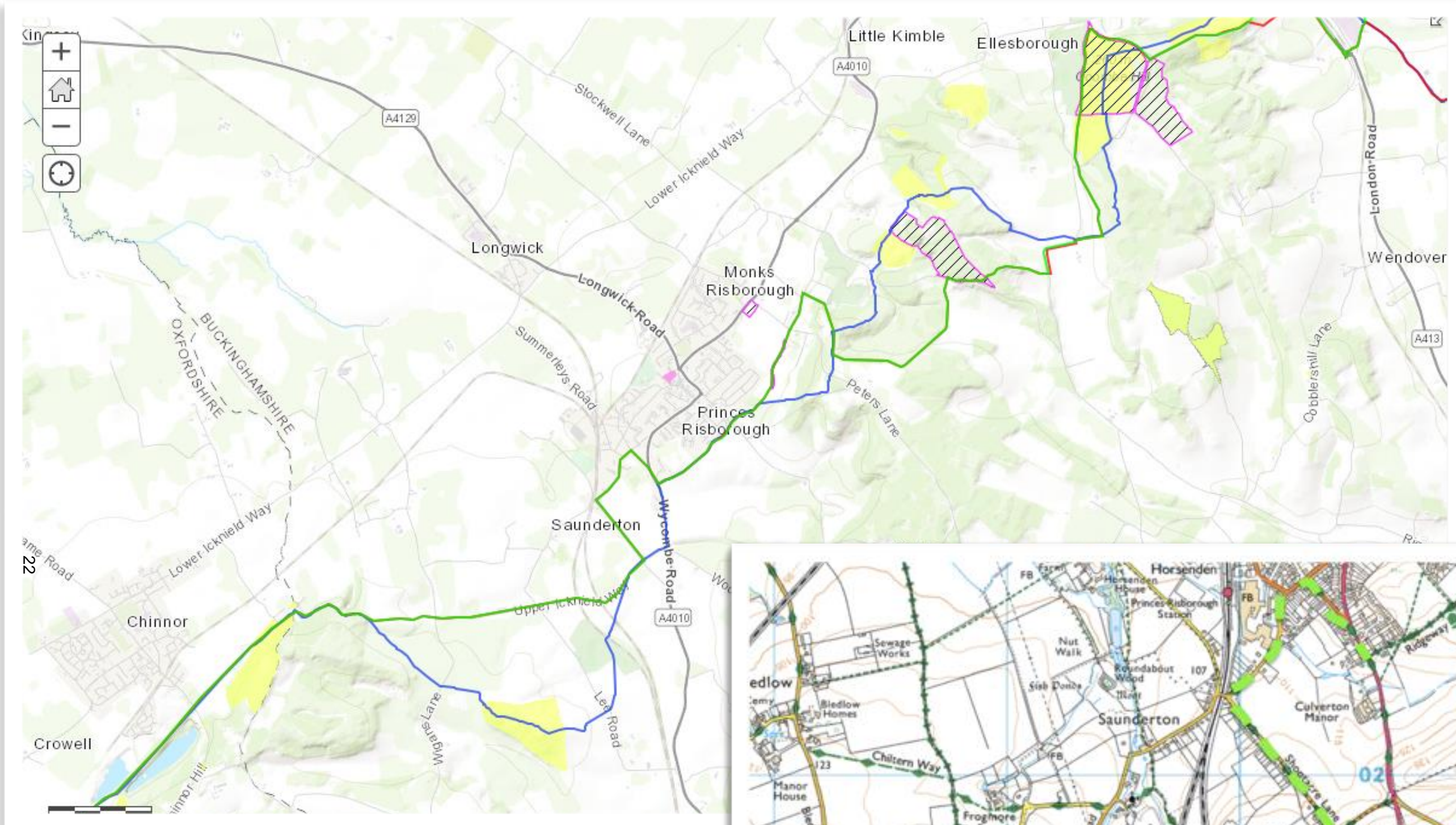
Doorstep - local communities



## How can we better support & promote rural economy?

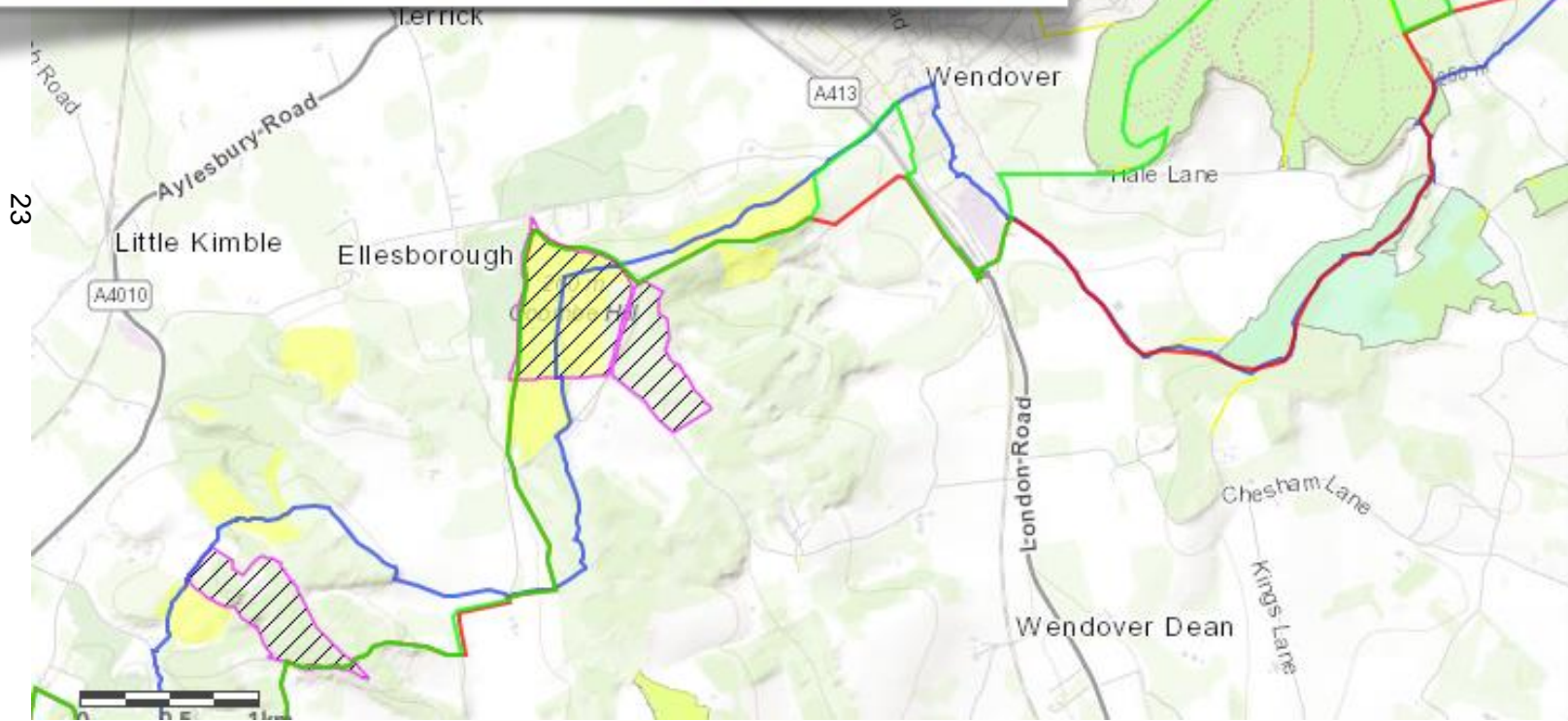
Rural Pubs  
Cafe  
B&B  
Campsite & Bunkhouse options?

Huge Opportunities for  
Local Produce & Suppliers



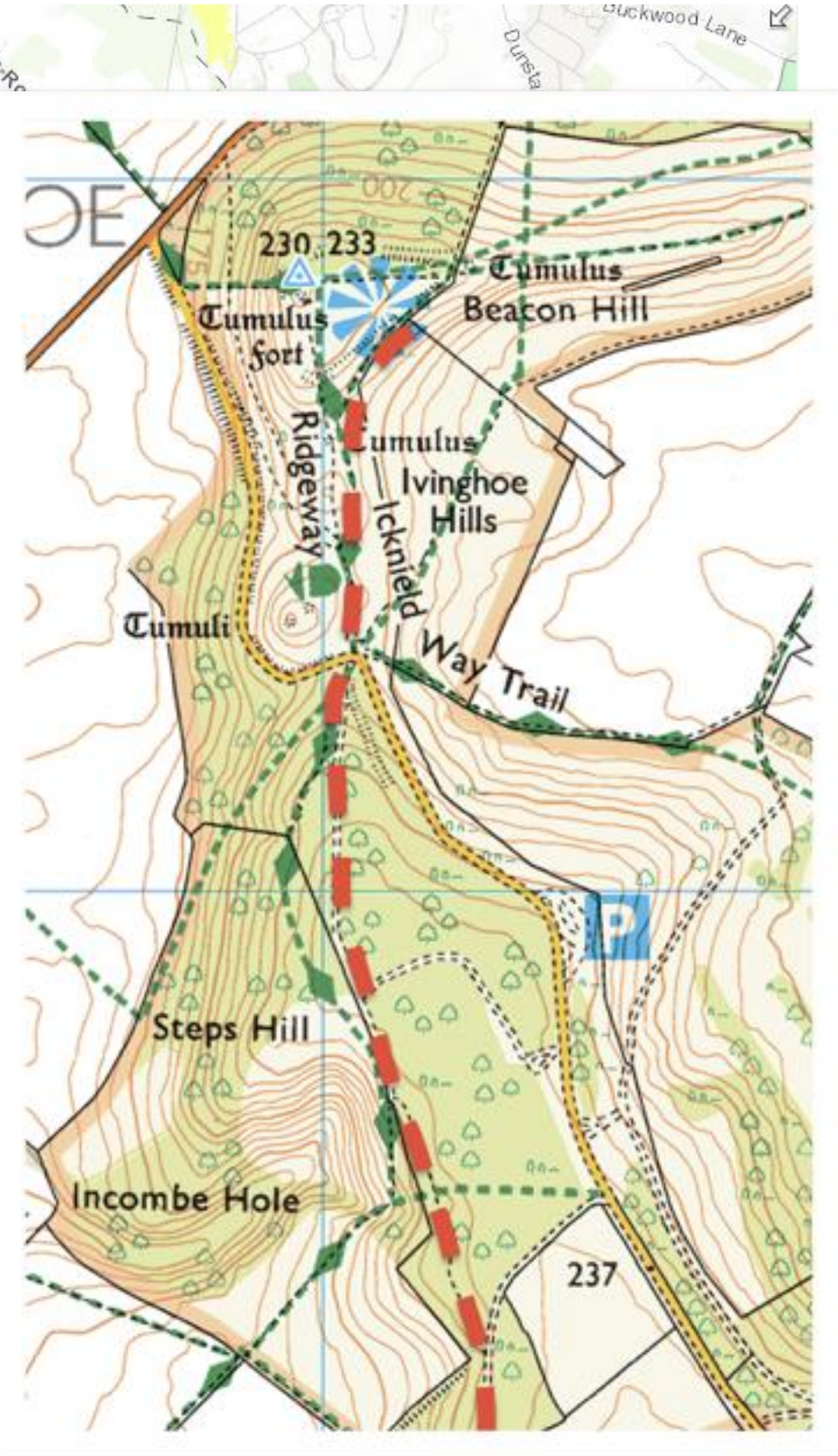
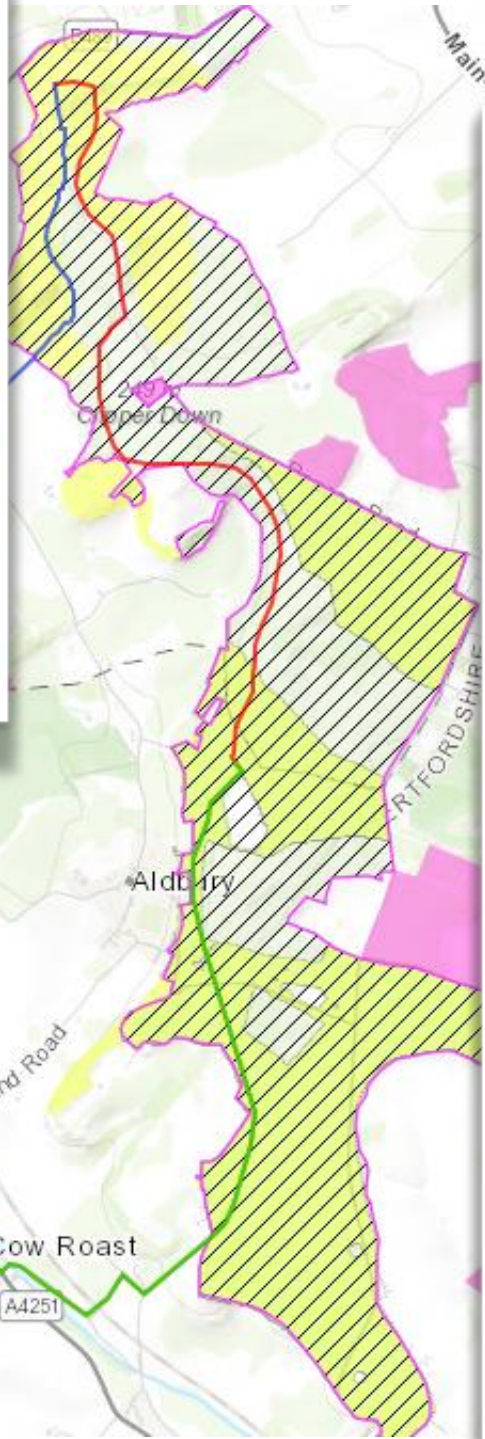
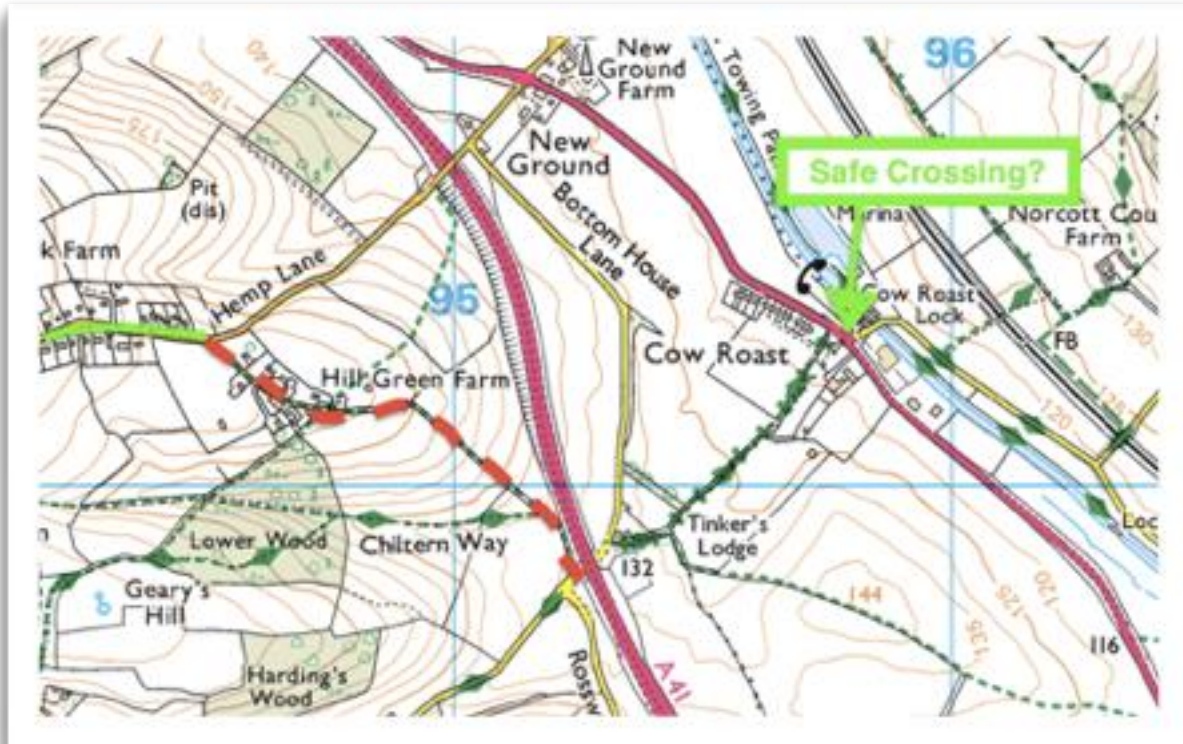
**Draft Routes for Comment**  
**Section 1:**

- Potential traffic calming on route into PR?
- Safe Crossing?
- Connection to Rail station?
- Future connecting routes to High Wycombe & Phoenix Trail ?



## Section Two:

- Surfacing of field edge BW near Chequers?
- Agreed route and safety of crossing at Wendover?
- Forestry Commission support for interim route?
- Short upgrade link path (unregistered ownership)



**Section Three:**

- Wigginton FP upgrade
- Cow Roast road crossing
- Full realignment through NT Estate?









[Environment](#) / [Public rights of way](#)

## Report a rights of way issue

(public footpath, bridleway or byway)

The link below allows you to report an issue online including:

- broken stiles
- overgrown vegetation or fallen trees
- damaged or dangerous path surfaces
- damaged or dangerous bridges
- damaged or missing signposts and waymarks

We only manage rights of way shown on the definitive map and do not deal with highways problems on pavements, footways, roads or cycleways.

[Report a highways problem to Buckinghamshire County Council](#)

Please submit a separate report for each individual problem. This helps us to identify and inspect the correct location and update you on progress more accurately.

[Report an issue on a Public Right of Way](#)

### How long it takes to fix an issue

#### Setting Priorities.

With over 3000kms of rights of way in the County it is necessary to prioritise the issues and problems reported to us. A Problem Management Matrix has been developed to give each issue a target time according to the nature of the problem and its location.

[Prioritising Your Issue](#)

Check on the progress of a problem you have already reported to us.

[TRACK on issue](#)

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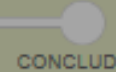
REPORT IT



REPORTED



INVESTIGATED



CONCLUDED

Location /

If you consider this to be dangerous or an emergency, please call us on: 01296 382416 (9am-5.30pm Mon-Thurs 9am-5pm Friday) or 01296 486630 (out of hours and weekends). Otherwise, by submitting the report online, we will deal with it in line with our agreed timescales.

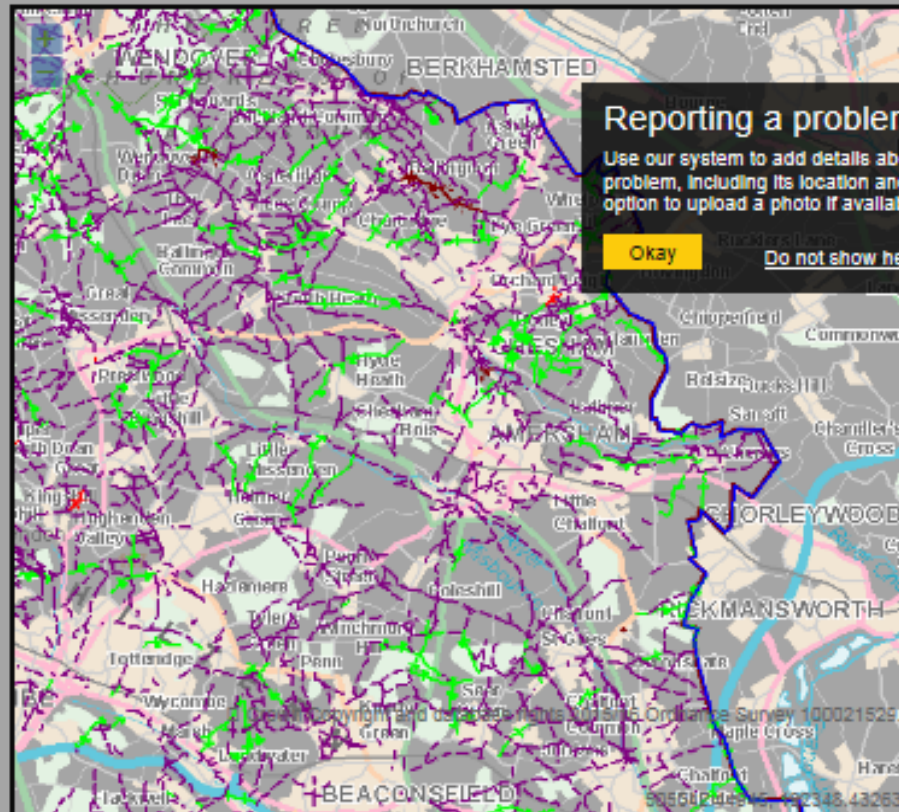
Use the map or use the search options.

## Search options

Use the following options to find the location:

Enter postcode or street:

Search



**Reporting a problem**

Use our system to add details about a problem, including its location and the option to upload a photo if available.

Okay      [Do not show help tips](#)

What is the map showing?

- BOAT Byway Open to All Traffic
- Brideway
- Footpath PROW
- Restricted Byway

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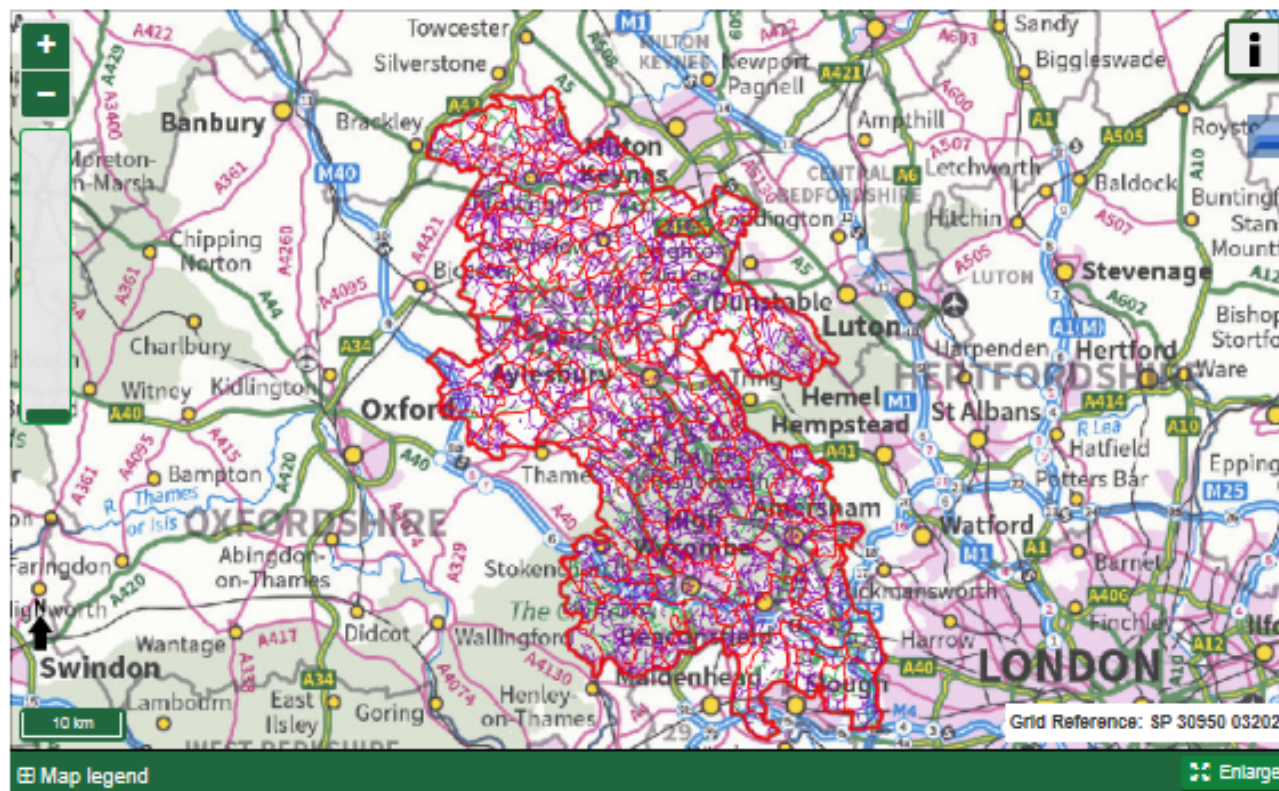
Current location

Save location

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To find a location use the Search options to locate paths, settlements or parishes. If your device has a GPS you can centre the map on your current position by pressing the 'Go to current location' button. You can use the Info tool on the map toolbar to click any feature on the map for more information.



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When using a mouse: hold the shift key and drag a box on the map to zoom in to a specific location. On a touch device: pinch or drag a box to zoom.

The map is a representation of the legal record of public rights of way in Buckinghamshire, but without prejudice to any existing unrecorded rights. The map does not constitute a legal record.

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View map without log in – shows furniture and path number and status



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Set my saved location

## Manage my account(Registered User)

Use this page to update your contact details, change your password or delete your account.

### My details

Email address:

Title:

First name:

Last name:

Telephone:

If you would like to help maintain the rights of way network and/or carry out surveys on paths and can spare 1 or more days a month, then please contact the RoW Operations Team by email at [pathvolunteer@buckscc.gov.uk](mailto:pathvolunteer@buckscc.gov.uk) (NB- email address not monitored for reported issues)

Update my details

### My password

Passwords must be:

- At least 6 characters in length
- At least 1 number and 1 letter
- At least 1 non-alphabetic or non-numeric character e.g. ! " £ \$

Current password:

New password:

Confirm new password:

Change password



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CSL/29




Search

### Current location

Go to current location

# Report an issue

Report any issues which you have encountered on the public rights of way network. You can only report issues within the county and 50m of a path.

1. Use the search options to locate a path, settlement or parish, then zoom in so you can accurately mark the location of the issue. Click on map features using the info tool  to see further information or to add a comment.
2. To add a new issue, ensure the select tool  is highlighted and click the path or furniture where the issue has occurred.
3. Once the Path has been selected, switch to the add issue tool  and click the map at the exact location of the issue.

The map interface displays a network of paths in purple. A red path is highlighted, and a yellow warning icon is placed on it. The map includes a search bar with 'CSL/29' entered, a scale bar (100m), and navigation controls. Labels on the map include 'Rays Hill Farm', 'Bowmore Farm', and 'Hawridge at Cholesbur C of E Scho'. The map legend is visible at the bottom.





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### Current location

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## Issue Details

Select the issue type, then give as much information as possible including location details to help the Rights of Way Operations Team process the report. If you have a photo of the issue, upload it using the Add Photo button. Please submit a separate report for each individual issue. Multiple issues on one report will result in only the first issue being recorded and forwarded to the Rights of Way Operations Team.

\*Issue Type -- Select --

### Description/location details

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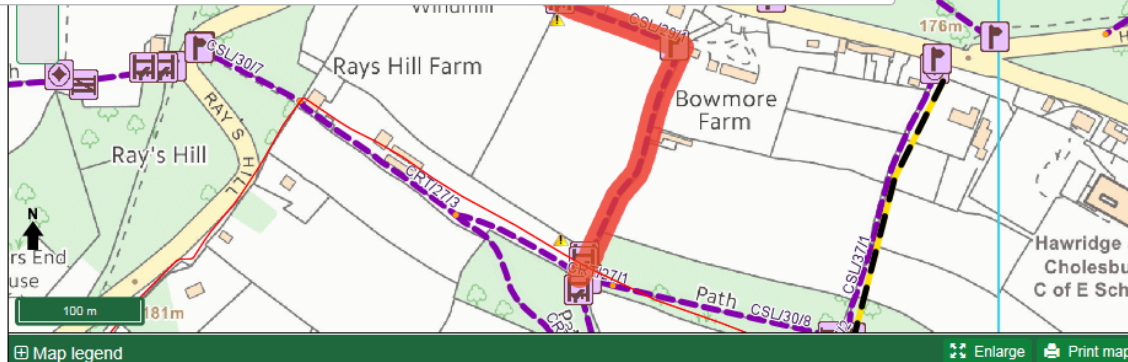
Please tick this box if you require status updates - these will only be sent to your registered email address:

Add photos

Please keep photos as small as possible.

Submit

Required fields are marked with a \*



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Username: test\_volunteer Role: volunteer

the county and 50m of a path.

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as occurred.

he issue.



Users will have to tick a box to allow us to send them email updates



### Issue Details



Thank you for reporting a Rights of Way issue. Your report has been sent to the Rights of Way and Access Management System and will be processed within the next few days. An email giving the reference number for this report has been sent to your email address.

Your web reference number is: 1811986624

Close

Username: test\_volunteer Role: volunteer

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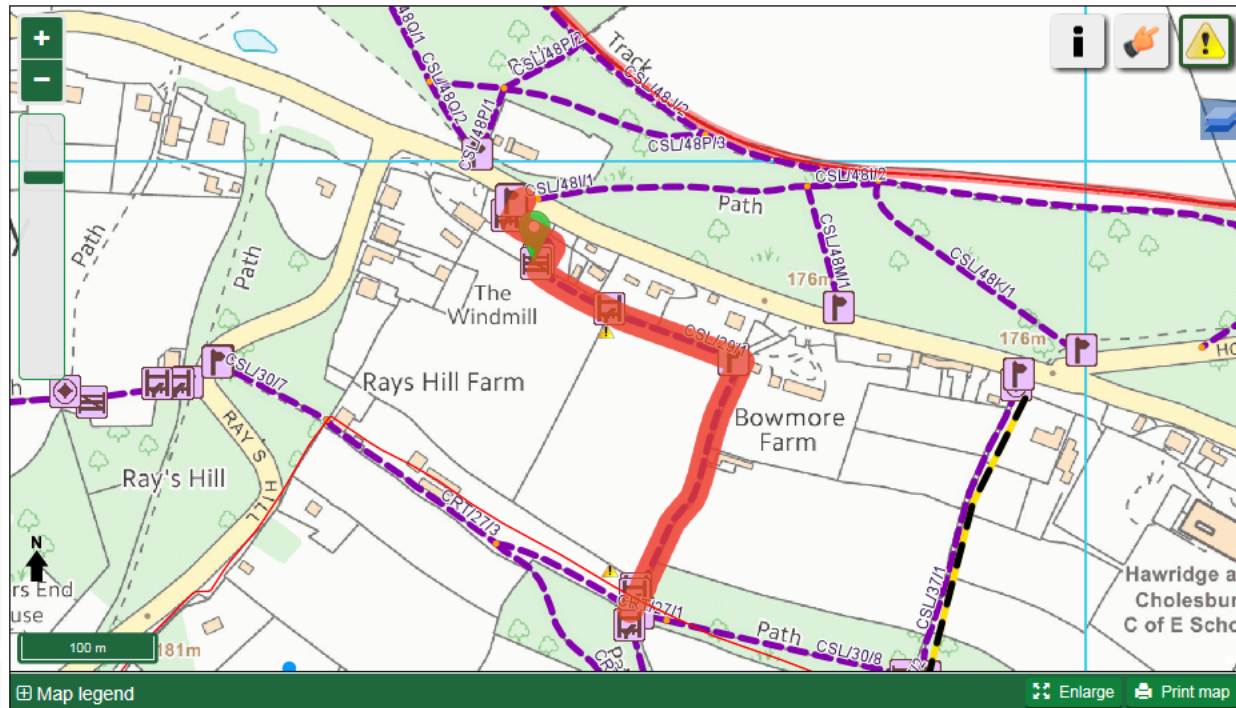
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### Current location

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### Save location

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## My reported issues

All of the issues which you have previously reported and which have not, as yet, been resolved are listed in the table below.

Click on an issue in the table to view it on the map. To sort the list click on a column header.

### Reported Problems (42)

Filter

Submitted	Problem	Parish	Status	Updated
+ 08 Feb 2019	Alignment/Path Off Line - officer progressing	Winslow	Officer Progressing Issue	08 Feb 2019
+ 20 Jun 2018	Alignment/Path Off Line - Path crossing the field and second field north of Adstockfield has been diverted around the edge of the second field north to cross field boundary into the first field much closer to Bridleway ADS9/3	Adstock	Officer Progressing Issue	06 Feb 2019
+ 18 Mar 2019	Alignment/Path Off Line - historic issue	Adstock	Officer Progressing Issue	18 Mar 2019
+ 18 Mar 2019	Alignment/Path Off Line - map investigation	Adstock	Officer Progressing Issue	18 Mar 2019
+ 18 Mar 2019	Alignment/Path Off Line - not a row issue - how uchsifskjites#fxt can be put in the problem field before it gets really silly.	Adstock	Officer Progressing Issue	18 Mar 2019
+ 06 Mar 2019	Bridge/Damaged - Test test	Maids Moreton	Officer Progressing Issue	06 Mar 2019
+ 11 Feb 2019	Alignment/Path Off Line - test multi reports	Stowe	Officer Progressing Issue	11 Feb 2019
+ 04 Mar 2019	Alignment/Path Off Line - officer progressing issue	Wing	Officer Progressing Issue	04 Mar 2019
+ 04 Mar 2019	Alignment/Path Off Line - officer progressing	Wing	Officer Progressing Issue	04 Mar 2019
+ 05 Mar 2019	Alignment/Path Off Line - Flooding on route	Wing	Officer Progressing Issue	05 Mar 2019

Navigation: |< < 1 2 3 4 5 > >|

Show 10





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### Current location

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## My tasks

Issues and surveys which have been assigned to you by the rights of way operations team and are currently outstanding.

Select a task in the table to display it on the map. Once a task is selected you can view/print the task sheet, complete the task or reject the task. To sort your list click on a column heading at the top of the table.

### My Tasks (4)

Filter: All outstanding

Task ID	Class	Type	Related To	Logged	Assigned	Priority	Parish	Target	Task Status
01362	Issue (Alignment/Path Off Line)		SMA/19/1	12 Jan 00	13 Feb 19	D (Low)	Stoke Mandeville	20 Feb 19	Assigned
10013	Issue (Obstruction/Ploughing and Cropping)		MEN/7/1	23 Oct 01	24 Oct 18	D (Low)	Mentmore	31 Oct 18	Assigned
AYL/26/1	Path (Footpath ROW)		test2120417	28 Sep 18	28 Sep 18	Medium	Aylesbury	Not Specified	Assigned
AYL/27/1	Path (Footpath ROW)		test2120417	28 Sep 18	28 Sep 18	Medium	Aylesbury	Not Specified	Assigned

1

Show all tasks on map

Show 10

Select a task from the table above, then if the record is an issue; report progress by clicking on the 'complete task' button. If it is a survey; add or edit any of the issues or furniture which are highlighted on the map then report progress by clicking on the 'complete task' button. Alternatively you can reject any of the tasks by selecting them from the table and clicking on the 'reject task' button.

View/Print

Complete Task

Reject Task



Volunteers will be able to 'adopt' tasks sent to them by RoW Ops team

My CAMS Find 1

Filter

Filter On: Link

That match the following criteria:

Field:	Value:
Path/Link Code	

+ Add Criterion

Show Results on Map:

Results Tree called: Find 1

Save Load Advanced New Run Search

My Tasks Import Review

Map Reports Refresh Help Accept All Map All Photos Show processed Reprocess

### Import Review

Drag a column header here to group by that column.

Location	Fault Enquiry Number	Entity	HoldingID	Web user name	CAMS contact	Submitted On	Type
▶ Great Horwoo	148817	Issue1	4987		test_volunteer	08/10/2018	Insert
Aylesbury	796293	Issue1	4992		test_officer	17/10/2018	Insert
Aylesbury	446876	Issue1	4994		test_callcentre, t	30/10/2018	Insert
East Claydon	611968	Issue1	4995		test_public, test_	14/11/2018	Insert
Cublington	711422	Issue1	5003		test_callcentre, t	22/11/2018	Insert
Stewkley	950302	Issue1	5004		test_callcentre, t	22/11/2018	Insert
Thornton	359405	Issue1	5019		test_callcentre, t	23/11/2018	Insert
Waddesdon	512606	Issue1	5024	davidb.esdm@g	Bennett Mr David	27/11/2018	Insert

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### Report submitted on: 2018-10-08T15:41:05.0082703Z

Category	Relates To	Type	Location	Summary
Maintenance Issue	Path: GHO/11/2	Stile/Damaged	Great Horwood	stile damaged