

HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS REPORT

TO SALHOUSE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 14th June 2021

Footpaths Warden's Report as of 9th June 2021

Footpath 1. Bears Grove. Good.

Footpath 4. Great to see the entire path well marked out. I have added a way marker to a post in the mid-section.

Footpath 5. East to west. Good to see a 10m strip to the south left fallow. Lots of varied wild plants are establishing themselves. The rhododendrons in Hagg wood are looking stupendous. There is clear evidence of people entering Hagg wood. To spare the bluebells in future we could ask the landowner to set up a path around it with a notice regarding dogs and leads or fence it off properly it is their call. West end: I have added way markers to the fence post opposite the path entrance on Howett's Loke.

Millennium path. Looks ok from the north end, (Fp5), not walked this month.

Footpath 7. Good.

Footpath 8. Across field has been well laid out in furrow. Once again, the barbed wire fence is too close to the path and presents a hazard. If the landowner is not prepared to deal with this it will be their responsibility when someone gets injured. I think we should make this clear with some correspondence to the landowner.

Footpath 11. Heading north from Lower St I have replaced the corks on the fence that cover up the screws protruding the fence. The covered section is a bit overgrown, beware of stingers if you are in short sleeves. The oaklings are still there (one of them is a good 4ft tall) and the uncut strip around them offers a nice wild vista. The top section is not so much of a problem now the wheat is growing. A small cairn has appeared at the top end of the path, nice touch.

Footpath 12. Not walked this month.

Footpath 14. Footpath sign station Rd has been replaced. I walked this path a couple of weeks ago, then the west end by the stables was very soggy.

Footpath 15. Good. It is a little overgrown which is not entirely a bad thing as there are few stingers although there is a hawthorn bush with a low hanging branch which requires some attention.

Wroxham path Footpath 4. Not walked this month.

Piggy path. Good. I have added a way marker at the north end. We need a new footpath finger board and post at the Vicarage Road end.

Bridleway 3. Good. I have replaced the way markers around the farm. I have added some way markers at the railway crossing.

Other. The road sign at Farman Close is uprooted and resting against the fence.

Howlett's Loke Footpath 12

NCC Highways Footpath Ranger investigating ongoing issues along this path.

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Highways Updates

Lower Street parking issues – ongoing monitoring of this situation. Salhouse Broad investigating car park extension.

Hall Drive – Further meeting needed with Highways to investigate options.

Bell Pond - Repairing fence and relocating information board ongoing.
Further investigation needed and consideration of clearing the pond and speaking with owner of upper pond.

Howlett's Loke – Highways have been chased for an update on the potholes and ditches scheduled to be repaired/cleared.

Shrubland Pond - Highways have been chased for an update on the edge repairs along the wall at Shrubland Farm and the installation of the missing posts by the pond.

Railway Bridges Station Road and Stonehouse Road (inc. Muck Lane) – Highways scheduled to have complete system cleaned and flushed through at Station Road, and gullies cleared at Stonehouse Road.

Hall Drive/Bell Lane signage – Broadland District Council have confirmed they will relocate the Bell Lane sign further along the hedgerow along Bell Lane.

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To update on dog bin on Howlett's Loke – awaiting Broadland District Council to submit application to Norfolk County Council – this has been chased again.