

Drinkstone Parish Council - Footpaths

Councillor Portfolios : Meeting 2nd August 2021

General

A great effort from villagers and landowners over the last couple of months to make sure all the footpaths remain passable. Thank you to everyone involved.

Jungle Drums Appeal

There was a reasonable response to the 'adopt a footpath' appeal put out on Jungle Drums. Thank you to all those who have taken on the ongoing responsibility of maintaining a path.

Footpath 21 / 22

A few complaints were made about Footpath 21 and 22 (from High Acres, adjoining Rattlesdon Road to Gedding Road). The overgrown bushes and pathway were cleared by Tim Hollins and I; he later contacted the landowner who completely cleared the path with a tractor and topper. Rob at High Acres has kindly volunteered to mow the path on a regular basis.

Stile and Bridge

I previously notified MSDC about the collapsing bridge and stile on two footpaths in the village via their online portal. I haven't had any correspondence with them since and there has been no effort made to fix or replace either the bridge or stile. The bridge is a particular worry as it is becoming unsafe - the wood is completely rotten in some places. I have taken images and plan to write to them in the coming week, hopefully I will get a response with a plan of action.

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