

ANNUAL FOOTPATH CONDITION CHECK OCTOBER 2025

Location: eg footpath B1	Condition: Good, Acceptable, Poor	Signs: condition/appropriateness with recommendation for improvement	Issue: eg width <1M, overgrown, dog fouling, inappropriate use (horse, vehicle), hazard eg livestock, trees	Who	Actions
B1 Village hall to Stirtloe Lane	Acceptable		Need to identify land owner re piece of land with broken fence	CU	CU to ask Parish Clerk to put request on Face book re broken fence on B1 <i>Completed: request sent to owner</i>
B2 Stirtloe Lane towards Diddington	Acceptable	Requires sign	- Finger post in place but would help to have sign on gate on the side of the lane - Fence is down which used to delineate path but now there seems to be two parallel routes people are using - The seat at junction with permissive path needs new planks	MS	MS to install sign on gate on road side <i>Completed</i> CU to ask Thornhills about fence that is down on B2 <i>Completed</i> MS to ask Parish Clerk to arrange for groundsmen to complete repair of bench on B2 <i>Request submitted</i>
B3 Diddington Brook to Mill Road	Good	Sign to Ouse Valley at junction with B14 points towards Diddington on B3	Small hole in path by private entrance to Margetts Farm otherwise nothing	PC	RS to align sign correctly at junction of B3 and B14 <i>Completed</i>
B4 Lucks Lane to B1	Acceptable		Note: there will be some overgrowth of path from trees/bushes both at end near lake and at the end where the path crosses Morris Close, these will need to be cut back in spring	CU	MS to ask Parish Clerk to arrange for groundsmen to cut back in the Spring any overgrowth on B4 near lake and at the end where the path crosses Morris Close <i>Request submitted</i>
B5 Shooters Hollow bridleway	Good	Brambles starting to cover the sign at the junction with B661		RM	RM to cut back brambles covering sign at junction of B5 and road B661 <i>Completed</i>

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B6 Hardwick to Taylors lane			• All ok	RS	
B7 to Grafham			• Sign under oak tree requires update	RS	• RS to replace sign on B7 <i>Completed</i>
B8 to Brampton Road			• All good • Footbridge quite slippery – agreed no action to be taken	RS	
B9 connects B3 and B12	Good	Signpost or improved waymarks needed at junction with B12		PC	• CU to ask GOVT to install 3 way finger post at junction of B9 and B12 <i>Completed</i>
B11 Mere Lane	Good	Good		MS	
B12 OVW south	Generally good	Signpost for both directions for OVW needed at junction with Mill Road	• Broken branch leaving under 6 feet headroom opposite The Old Flour Mills • Bridge slippery at duos.compounds.capacity	PC	• MS to report broken branch on B12 to Cambs CC <i>completed 19 Dec 25</i> • CU to ask GOVT to install 3 way finger post at junction of B12 with Mill Road <i>Completed</i> • MS to report slippery bridge on B12 to Cambs CC <i>completed 19 Dec 25</i>
B13 OVW north	Generally good	Signpost in Mill Road obscured and only shows OVW to FPB13	• Bank underneath A14 needs reinforcing; agreed no action as National Highways fully aware of issue and recognized as not responsibility of GOVT • Path 200 yards beyond the end of the tarmaced road is blocked and detour via trackway – agreed now accepted as normal route	PC	• CU to ask GOVT to install a proper sign at junction of B13 with Mill Road <i>Completed</i>

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B14 B3 to OVW	Good on road and west of pumping station but waterlogged on section south of pumping station	Sign to Ouse Valley Way at junction with B3 points towards Diddington on B3	• Waterlogged for section south of pumping station	PC	• CU to raise waterlogging on B14 with landowner • See B3 for issue with sign <i>Completed, Thornhills will discuss with Holcim</i>
B15 Waterworks	Good			CU	
D1 Manor to Boughton farms	Closed		• This is now closed at the northern end which is clearly indicated and a map of the alternative route is in place	CU	
New paths Diddington			• These will need to be numbered for our purposes • The route is a bit unclear at one point markers suggest turning right, do not mark going straight on although there is a clear path straight ahead as well as to the right		• Advisory Group to take forward these issues forward <i>Completed, being taken forward</i>
D2 OVW	Good		• Broken branch restricting headroom 50 yds south of junction with B14	PC	• MS to report broken branch on D2 to Cambs CC <i>Completed 19 Dec 25</i>
D5 western end B3	Good			PC	
D6 southern end B2	Good, holes have been mended	Finger post in fair condition		MS	
D11 N to S Lodge	Good	Poor	• Sign on A1 obscured by vegetation • Sign required on gate before church land	MS	• MS to clear vegetation on D11 <i>Completed</i> • MS to install sign on D11 <i>Completed</i>
D12 Vicarage Lane to A1			• No action required	RM	

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D13/15 Vicarage Lane to Highfield Farm	Good, nice wide paths between crops and wood	The number of signs is good but they are fading/bleaching out so will need replacing in the next couple of years		RM	• MS to source discs for replacement <i>request submitted to Parish Clerk 19 Dec 25</i>
D14 Diddington Wood	Good, similar to D13/15	As with D13/15 but last sign, junction of wood and Highfield farm path is about to fall over		RM	• CU to raise replacement of sign on D14 with Thornhills (junction of wood and Highfield farm path is about to fall over) <i>Completed, Thornhills taking this forward</i>
D18 St Lawrence's Church	Good	Good		MS	

Who Key

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RS	Richard Salmon