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	Footpaths have needed some strimming as the brambles and nettles begin to take hold. Not so many walkers out exploring the Parish footpaths as in the earlier days of the Covid-19 lockdown. However, it is hoped that residents will continue to keep the paths well-used. Many thanks to Hugh Turner for producing a very popular selection of local walks available by email.	
<b>Parish Paths Partnership Scheme (P3)</b>	Shirley Anglin, PRoW and Localism Officer has been in contact to reassure the Parish Council that she is still hoping to attend a meeting to explain the P3 Scheme in more detail. This will be arranged for later in the year subject to Shirley's availability.	
<b>FP1,3 &amp;4</b>	These three truncated footpaths lead into Ferrier's Pits but have never been extinguished in the hope that at least one of the paths might be re-opened with a diversion order. Nik Leeson (PRoW Essex County Council) started investigations prior to COVID-19 as to whether there would be funding to create a safe path around the Pits. Funding from Essex Highways highly unlikely. <b>No further progress on this matter.</b>	
<b>FP1</b>	The surviving section of FP1 leads off Bombose Lane around the perimeter of Bombose Farm. The entrance to the footpath is marked by an old concrete fingerpost which is set deep in a roadside hedge. It may be possible for the Parish contractor to cut the hedge back to reveal the fingerpost but it would be better to re-site the post in a more visible position on the verge. <b>Permission to do this has been sought via the Devolution Scheme.</b>	
<b>FP5</b>	From Ferrier's Farm to Horne's Green (a field margin path, leading to a cross-field path through some scrub and into a wood, then onto a well-kept grassed lane to the road) No confirmation of the proposed diversion as yet due to the COVID-19 restrictions. Walkers have continued to use the lower woodland walk but now as summer progresses, the brambles and undergrowth have become more difficult to navigate. Unfortunately, the Parish Council has no authority to access this section of the walk to carry out any clearance so it is largely up to walkers 'to clear as they go'.	

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<b>FP7</b>	Footpath from 'Beautiful You' to Lamarsh. Many thanks to Neil Haswell, a resident living nearby, who has improved the surface of the path as it runs by Secretaries by laying woodchip from recent tree works in his garden.	
<b>FP8</b>	The Parish contractor has cut back the roadside hedge on Colne Road which was obscuring the fingerpost.	
<b>FP13</b>	Footpath off Fishpits Lane opposite Polstead Farm leading along Lamarsh Park A fingerpost has been requested under the Devolution Scheme. <b>Awaiting permission to proceed.</b>	2652997 02/03/2020
<b>FP14</b>	Footpath from Ravensfield Farm to Polstead Farm Damaged old-style concrete fingerpost. <b>Awaiting permission to replace under the Devolution Scheme.</b>	2652994 02/03/2020
<b>FP16</b>	Footpath from Colne Road to Butler's Farm. The Parish contractor has cut back the roadside hedge on Colne Road which was obscuring the fingerpost.	
<b>FP21 (Mount Bures FP2)</b>	The Parish contractor has repaired the footway on the bridge over the Cambridge Brook under the Devolution Scheme.	Ref: 2661038 31/03/2020
<b>FP30</b>	From Colne Road next to Parsonage Grove crossing the railway to The Paddocks. The Parish Council is still awaiting the outcome of the Network Rail Public Inquiry for Level Crossings Reduction in Essex regarding the fate of the above 'passive crossing'.	Crossing E54
<b>FP33</b>	Phillips Path. Colchester Road to Mount Bures level crossing A request has been made for an official Essex County Council finger post to be erected at the Colchester Road end of the footpath. <b>Awaiting approval to proceed.</b>	

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<b>F.Y.I.</b>	The Parish Clerk has received a letter, as in previous years, from J.B. Ruggles, Director, of J.S. Wright willow specialists. We have been asked to record that there is no public right of way across his willow plantation which lies to the east of Daws Hall, immediately adjacent to the River Stour on the Suffolk side. The letter states that signage (private- no public right of way) is removed almost immediately after it has been erected. The land in question is in the Parish of Little Cornard.	

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