

Bures St. Mary PROW report (July 2020)

Footpath Number	Location and Description of Reported Problem/Resolved Problem/ Items of Interest	Ref. No.
	Footpaths have needed some strimming as the brambles and nettles begin to take hold. The paths have been kept accessible thanks to the combined efforts of our Parish contractor and local landowners. 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 freely available by email.	
	Ciaran Griffin (Voluntary Footpath Warden Little Cornard Parish Council) had approached Bures St Mary Parish Council to start some preliminary discussions about the creation of a footpath to link the two parishes. <b>No progress as yet to report on this.</b>	
<b>BWY5</b>	Footpath leading from the end of the Croft to the kissing gate on Sudbury Road. Concerns have been raised by an elderly resident who relies on this footpath as the only access to her property. <b>Due to the pandemic no progress to report</b> but an email describing the issues was sent to County Councillor James Finch prior to the lockdown.	
<b>FP 14,17, 18</b>	Footpaths which run from Clickett Hill to Smallbridge Hall. There had been an issue with a livestock gate at Little Hall being padlocked as a result of one gate being left open. Happily, the stockman was able to install two kissing gates very promptly to resolve the problem. The County Access Team were consulted but the situation was rectified so quickly that no further action was required. Many thanks to Darren Knox, the stockman.	
<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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