

Bures Hamlet Parish Council (BHPC) - Public Rights of Way (PROW) Report: Jan-Feb '24 date

FP/ByW/Br W Number	Location	Description of Action	Date & Ref. Number if Reported	Follow-Up
FP1 short	N34/EC. (around Bombose Frm bldngs. Across lane. Diag across Westwinds gdn).	Not visited.		
FP2 short	N34/EC.	Not visited.		
FP3 short	N34/EC.	Not visited.		
FP5 long	S34/C-D. (boardwalk/copse/tree lane)	w/c 7/1: communicating with Jason B. regarding previous request (by JA) for a 'boardwalk' over the spring. JB had forgotten but is now dealing with it. 5/2: JB has all materials and staff ready to install boardwalk.	Need for boardwalk re-requested. JB has now sourced materials. Will carry out asap; weather depending.	Landowner said he will not allow boardwalk! But he will deal with drainage pipe in MARCH/APRIL to alleviate issues.
FP7 long	N34/ED. Lamarsh track to halfway up hill twds rail line)	Checked and few fallen branches removed. No trimming nec.		
FP8 med	S34/WD. (Left off Ferrier's Lane; wooden bridge & up to Colne Rd)	Just across wooden bridge, joining FP 22 – decided to saw off the overhanging branch which is well below head height. Below head-height branch now cleared and opened up walkway.		BHPC purchased mini chainsaw for such removals.
FP11	N33/EE. (Bures Mill)	Slight trimming and small, fallen branches removed		
FP12 short	N33/EE. (Bures Mill to Colch Rd)	Few thorny stragglers etc cut back/taken out		
FP13	S33/WB.	Not checked – planned route rained off.		

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med				
FP14 med+	S33/acrossB.	Not visited.		
ByW15 med-long	S34/EB.	No problems.		
FP16 med-long	33/C-D. (twds Laraine's. In front of barns)	Slight trimming of hedge growth to left of track/drive as some walkers use it as alternative route due to post van etc swinging into drive.		
FP17 med-long	N32/C.	All good. Spoke to landowners at Lower Jennies who would prefer NOT to have an FP marker disc put onto existing post to direct walkers through their yard to the road. (just to road, no circular route beyond).		
FP18 med-long	33/D. (SW of Baker's Hall)	All okay – couple of larger, fallen branches removed. Will take spade to remove excess mud built up under gate. Only marginal opening access currently.		
BrW19 short-med	S33/WD.	Removal of some fallen, small branches from BrW		
FP20 med	N32/D.	Checked and trimmed minor overgrowth as nec.		
FP21 med	33/D-SE.	Cleared minimal overhanging on wooden bridge at bottom. Emailed Baker's Hall for a couple of pallets to cover muddy/slippery footway leading to bridge	Emailed for pallets. No response yet.	No response from email as yet.
BrW22 med+	S34/W-ED. (Ferrier's Lane)	7/1: Lane rather untidy with fallen debris from trees but larger branches cleared as nec.		
FP23	S33/D.	All okay.		

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short				
ByW25 med	N32/C.	Nothing to report.		
FP27 short	N32/WB.	Not visited.		
FP28 short	32/WB.	6/1: checked and all still clear. Emailed JB that style has not yet been dealt with by landowner.	Wobbly style reported on... 1/11/23 to ECC Highways. Ref: 2876172	
FP29 short	S32/WB. Top end (next to poultry farm) actually just outside BHPC boundary. Bottom end at Rye Fenn.	Reinstated steps and hand rail being used. 😊		
FP30 short-med	S34/ED. (side of Tenter Fld./ thru' end of Paddocks/ down to Colch. Rd)	Slight trim of prickly holly x2 visits.		
FP31 med-long	S33/WE. (Mnt.Bures crossing)	Minimal trim around corner, onto top end of FP. Wooden bridge at bottom (start of FP21) tidied of debris & some cutting of vegetation.	*see note at FP21	
FP33 short-med	33/E. (Left of Hall Rd to Mnt Bures crossing)	w/c 8/1: liaised with JA & JW about evidence of horses being ridden along FP33. Didn't want to put up 'no horses' discs without checking our position. (gifted FP).	*see below "Go ahead" given for discs →	'No Horses' marker disc put up at either end of FP

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EXTRAS:

*Is there a possibility to extend FP33 at bottom of Hall Rd. to Colchester Rd. so pedestrians are not vulnerable from cars turning left from Colchester direction? Update: January BHPC meeting: majority of views feel not feasible; I will have a better investigation as I feel this could prevent a possible accident of pedestrians.