

LOCAL ACCESS FORUM REPORT - 02 December 2021
AGENDA ITEM 1(d)

LOCAL ACCESS FORUM: 2nd DECEMBER 2021

ACTIONS ARISING FROM THE MEETING

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To inform the Local Access Forum about the progress made on actions and issues arising from the Forum meeting held on 5th July 2021.

Key:

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| Completed items |
| In progress |
| Incomplete |

Action owners:

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| GP | Geoff Priest (Chair) | AH | Anthony Hurst (Parks and Countryside Team Leader) |
| SW | Sharon Wootten (Public Rights of Way Officer) | JW | Jacqui Wheeler (Secretary of the LAF) |
| LH | Lisa Hughes (Vice Chair) | MB | Mark Beeley (Democratic Svcs) |

Agenda Item 1(d): Matters Arising

| Item | Action / Issue | Action Owner | Outcome |
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| 6.1 | Next 2020 Joint LAF Chairs meeting proposed by Graham Pockett Parks and Countryside Development Manager of Bracknell Forest Council Hampshire CAF and Surrey CAF are both interested in attending a new meeting | GP/JW | Bracknell and Surrey have responded. There is enthusiasm for re-starting the LAF Chair meetings at Bracknell who have suggested using Zoom. JW to continue liaising to facilitate a meeting in the new year. No further news on this but need a renewed effort to arrange. |
| 6.2 | BCA had been identified as an organisation from which younger LAF members might be recruited. | GP/JW | GP has spoken with BCA – membership Item 2 |
| 6.3 | Contact Youth Engagement Officer at Achieving for Children to recruit younger LAF member | GP/LH | GP/LH to update under membership item 2 |
| 6.4 | Battlemead Common Update | JW/AH | It was approved at Full Cabinet on 30 th Sept that the Causeway path would be open from April 2022 after screen planting and fencing in autumn/winter 2021. New wetlands creation in East Field would be taken forward. |

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Agenda Item 8: Ongoing Milestones Statement/ Targets Consultation

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| 8.1 | Ongoing consultation for Milestone Statement and Targets | JW/AH | See summary report in papers following. |

Public Rights of Way Milestones 2021-22: monthly summary (running total)

| | | Apr | May | June | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Jan | Feb | Mar 31 st 2022 |
|-------------------------|------------------------------------|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|---------------------------|
| 2020-21 Achieved | Target 2021-22 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 98% | 95% easy to use | - | - | 89% | - | - | - | - | - | | | | |
| 10 | 10 major surface or clearance jobs | - | 3 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 7 | | | | |
| 8 | 7 bridge repairs or replacements | - | 3 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 8 | 8 | 9 | | | | |
| 0 | 1 new Parish leaflet | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | | | | |
| 1 | 1 new prom. info. (assist others) | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| 1 | 1 new path created | - | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| 10 | 10 access improvements | - | 1 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 8 | | | | |

| Public Rights of Way Milestones Targets 2021-22 | |
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| UPDATED: 15/11/21 | |
| WELL MAINTAINED | |
| WM1 <i>To ensure that all public rights of way are easy to use by members of the public (former Best Value Performance Indicator 178). Target for 2019-20: 95%</i> | <i>[note surveys undertaken in Spring and Autumn by East Berks Ramblers]</i> Spring survey result: 89.2% |
| WM2 <i>To carry out major surface improvements or vegetation clearance on 10 public rights of way. (FP =footpath, BR = bridleway, RB = restricted byway)</i> | |
| Hurley FP57 | Surface repairs |
| Hodge Lane | Pothole repairs |
| Cookham FP55 | Removal of old metal fencing from path |
| Bray FP61 | Removal of trip hazards |
| Hurley RB 57 | Surface improvements |
| Maid FP 16 (TCV) | Surface improvements |
| Maid FP9 Thames Path | Surface improvements |
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| | Total: 7 |
| WM3 <i>To repair or replace 7 bridges.</i> | |
| Margaret's Bridge | Bridge repairs |
| WALT FP31 | Bridge repairs |
| Datchet FP9 | Bridge repairs |
| Waltham St Lawrence RB 30 – Pool Lane | Bridge repairs |
| Cookham FP48 | Repairs to decking |
| Bray FP72 | Bridge repairs |
| Bray FP57 | Bridge replacement |
| Waltham St Lawrence FP 38 | Bridge repairs |
| Bray FP16 | Bridge replacement |
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| | Total: 9 |
| WELL PUBLICISED | |
| WP1 <i>To produce 1 new Parish rights of way leaflet</i> | Total: 1 |
| Wraysbury leaflet | |

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| WP2 <i>To assist others to produce effective promotional material: minimum of 1 new or updated publication.</i> | Total: 1 |
| Eton Town Council – Walk leaflet | |
| IMPROVING ACCESS AND CONNECTIVITY | |
| AC1 <i>Create 1 new strategic path, either public right of way or permitted, to fill identified gaps in the public rights of way network as/when opportunities arise.</i> | Total: 1 |
| <i>Possible horse-riding access at Thriftwood extension</i> | |
| AC2 <i>To make 10 physical access improvements, including the replacement of stiles with gates or gaps, to facilitate use by those with special needs, the elderly, people with pushchairs etc.</i> | |
| Bisham FP21 | Safety signage |
| Maidenhead FP6 | Bridge repair access improvement |
| Bray FP72 | Bridge repair access improvement |
| Maidenhead FP48 & the Greenway (crossing into North Town Moor) | Ramps at both ends of bridge and cobbles |
| Datchet FP10 | Repair of the sleeper steps |
| The Green Way through Braywick Nature Reserve (TCV) links to and from Maid FP80 | Repair steps and handrails |
| Hurley FP17 | Repair handrail & steps |
| Waltham St Lawrence FP34 | Bridge replacement |
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| | Total: 8 |