

GRIMSTON PARISH COUNCIL
Public Rights of Way Committee

Monday 11 October 2021 at Grimston Village Hall at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs J Barnicoat(Chairman), M Boldero, P Coleman, M Pitcher, Dr A Clifton, Mrs E Paterson, Clerk and 2 Members of the public

Apologies: Cllr de Whalley

21.16 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Dr A Clifton declared an interest at item 21.21.02 as the old path crossed her property, she took part in the discussion but not the vote

21.17 TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COMMITTEE MEETING

- ***Resolved to accept the Minutes of the Previous Committee Meeting as a true record***

21.18 MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS (NOT COVERED BY AGENDA ITEMS)

Footpath 20: NCC had agreed that the PROW would be either be extended to the Highway or the Highway extended to the PROW. It would depend on the original wording. The Clerk would monitor progress.

21.19 FOOTPATH WARDEN POSITION

The Chairman reported that Mrs Roper had stepped down from being the Footpath Warden and from the Committee. The Committee recorded its thanks for Mrs Roper's support.

- ***Recommendation - The Committee would take on the role of Footpath Warden***

21.20 FOOTPATH 8 LINK TO PHILIP RUDD COURT - UPDATE

The Committee noted that the leaflet drop had been done in August, but that there had been no additional response. The Chairman reported that one resident had however provided a copy of their deeds which had the footpath marked on the accompanying map. The Committee considered the advice provided by the Open Space Society Case officer. The advice was that the issue was not as clear-cut as NCC had indicated and considered that a claim was worthwhile.

The Committee discussed how to encourage residents to fill in claim paperwork, it was suggested door to door might be the best way forward. The forms were quite detailed so may have to be completed separately. The Clerk was asked if a solicitor would be required to help make the claim, and if could children complete the forms. The Clerk would send out paperwork on the claim process to Committee members. The Clerk would also inform the school.

- ***Recommendation - Committee to proceed with the PROW claim***

It was also reported that the NHP group had been asked to apply for the registration of the space as Green Space.

21.21 FOOTPATH 20

21.21.01 Current route diversion

The Chairman referred Committee to the County Officer's email asking if the Committee could talk to the relevant parties to resolve the obstruction issue. The Clerk had forwarded the Officer's email to GFAT, and a site visit had been proposed. Cllr Coleman asked for the Committee to give GFAT a clear instruction, however, as there appeared to be two possible courses of action, the Committee did not consider it was appropriate for the Council to dictate to GFAT what it should do.

- ***Resolved to advise the other landowner and agreed Dr Clifton could speak to them on behalf of the Committee***
- ***Resolved to conduct a site visit with GFAT (likely on a weekend)***

21.21.02 Review old Footpath linking FP20 to FP16 or Watery Lane

The Committee noted that on certain maps there was a reference to a Footpath that might link FP 20 to FP16/Watery Lane. Dr. Clifton said she had previously looked into this and considered there would not be enough evidence to claim the path.

- ***Resolved to check with NCC that the identified path did not meet the criteria***

21.22 FOOTPATH 6 HUDSON FEN – PERMISSIVE BRIDLEWAY/CYCLEWAY UPDATE

The Committee noted that since the last meeting there had been a positive response from GFAT to the PR&D Bridleways Association's proposal to GFAT. Dr. Clifton reported that the news was good, and the Assoc. was currently discussing how best to ensure responsible use and the introduction of a permit system.

21.23 FOOTPATH 18 – TO AGREE ON THE TREATMENT OF BOUNDARY.

The Committee conducted a site visit and agreed members would do the remedial work subject to the approval of Full Council

- ***Recommendation – To install a wooden post and wire fence for a length of 81ft at an approximate cost of £70/80.00***

Cllr Bolero suggested that a hedge could then be planted on the understanding that it would be properly maintained. Dr Clifton offered Blackthorn saplings as well as her son as a volunteer to help with the fence.

21.24 PROW ISSUES/REPORTS

Footpath 10 had been strimmed by Cllr Barnicoat.

The Footpath Survey had been completed and would be circulated before the next meeting.

Other issues not directly related to rights of way were raised, these included an overgrown hedge on the Chapel Road trod and concerns about the condition of Back Lane.

21. 25. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will take place on **Monday 8 November at 7.30pm.**

Chairman.....

Date.....