

Completed jobs during May 2022 – up to and including 24th

Alvington

FAL1 Cleared several overhanging gorse bushes and other branches from the route of this Public Footpath in Clanna Woods on 17th May.
Full Inspection – 535 metres

Blaisdon

DBL24 Cleared Public Footpath signpost on Vention Lane of significant overgrown hedgerow on 4th May.

Cinderford

DCF11 / Glos & Wysis Way Inspected Public Footpath on 16th May, following a request for a new waymark post at Steam Mills. Agreed that a post is required at this point and works will be scheduled to install this as soon as possible. Whilst visiting site also installed a new Wysis Way waymark disc on the first stile.
Enquiry Ref – 11364430
Partial Inspection – 275 metres

Churcham

DCH7 Our Works Warden and myself cleared a fallen tree by chainsaw on 17th May.
Enquiry Ref – 11363642
Partial Inspection – 100 metres

Coleford

RCO9 Inspected Public Footpath on 16th May, following a report of an overgrown hedge intruding into the footpath. Located the issue which unfortunately is the same property as we have experienced issues with in the last two years. The property owner was formally written to on 24th May, to get this cleared within the next month.
Enquiry Ref – 11364459
Partial Inspection – 440 metres

RCO26 Inspected Public Footpath on 16th May, following a report of broken stiles and overgrown vegetation. Found the stile at the Rock Lane end could do with a complete replacement as it is not of a good structure with one very high step. The landowner will now be contacted in respect of this. The other stile at the Newland Street end was found to be fine and was cleared of an overgrown hedgerow.
Enquiry Ref – 11362711
Full Inspection – 195 metres

RCO27 Inspected Public Footpath on 16th May, following a report of broken stiles and overgrown vegetation. The only issue I found was overgrown vegetation at the lower end which requires clearing as soon as possible.
Enquiry Ref – 11362714
Full Inspection – 275 metres

RCO29 Responded to customer enquiry about the issue of horses using this Public Footpath close to the Recreation Ground and which connects two tarmac'd Class 4 Highways.
Enquiry Ref – 11362720

Drybrook

DDB29 Inspected Public Footpath on 16th May, following a report of overhanging branches. Cleared the worse of them and a wider footpath is now available. Returned on 24th May and cleared more branches from section between Newham Bottom and Barn Lane.
Enquiry Ref – 11364616
Partial Inspection – 195 metres

DDB46 Inspected Public Footpath on 16th May, following a report of an unsafe tree. Found that there was no immediate safety concern and therefore no further action is necessary at this time.
Enquiry Ref – 11364101
Full Inspection – 85 metres

Hewelsfield & Brockweir

FHE43 Inspected Public Footpath on 16th May, following a report of it being blocked by fallen trees and overgrown shrubs. However, actually discovered that a significant section of it was blocked by crops in the fields.
Enquiry Ref – 11362696

FHE44 Inspected Public Footpath on 16th May, following a report of it being blocked by fallen trees. Found that three trees were blocking the route but because of nesting birds this will be put on hold for a few months.
Enquiry Ref – 11362693
Full Inspection – 615 metres

Huntley

DHU45 Inspected Public Footpath on 16th May, following a report of overgrown vegetation. I have now cleared the complete route from the A4136 to its junction with Blaisdon Public Footpath 9.
Enquiry Ref – 11363873
Full Inspection – 75 metres

Longhope

DLH23 Inspected Public Bridleway at the heart of Preecemore Farm on 4th May following reports that the route was blocked by a fallen tree and numerous gates across the bridleway were causing an access issue. Could not locate any fallen tree but four gates across the route in quick succession close to the farmhouse were noted. It was later identified that the fallen tree is on the adjoining Public Bridleway Mitcheldean 7A (see notes).
Enquiry Ref – 11363056
Partial Inspection – 930 metres

DLH44A Inspected pedestrian footbridge on this Public Footpath just north of Longhope Church on 4th May, following report of a badly damaged and unsafe surface. However, found that the bridge in question was in good solid condition with no defects whatsoever. Responded to the customer on 13th May in respect of my findings and they clarified that the bridge they were referring to was in a different location and therefore not directly on the Public Footpath. No further action was necessary on my part.
Enquiry Ref – 11360914
Partial Inspection – 155 metres

DLH49 Inspected Public Bridleway between Yartleton Lane and May Hill on 4th May in respect of a fallen tree and various reports about infringements on the surface of the width of the bridleway. Located the fallen tree which will be cleared as soon as possible and also where vehicles have been parking on the grass verge alongside the tarmac surface at the lower end of the bridleway. Emailed a couple of the property owners at that location on 12th May in respect of the damage caused to the grass section of the bridleway.
Enquiry Refs – Email & 11363951 / 11363428 / 11362929 / 11360098
Full Inspection – 527 metres

DLH60 Met with landowner to explain where the Definitive line of the Public Footpath was in respect of a barn that he was building. This meeting had followed a series of email discussions between myself, the landowner, the FODDC Planning Officer and the FODDC Legal Officer in respect of the terms under which the landowner had been granted planning permission and diverting the line of the Public Footpath. A successful conclusion was reached at the meeting with the landowner now in agreement as to where the Public Footpath was located and where it needed to be diverted.
Enquiry Refs – Email
Full Inspection – 1,060 metres

Lydney

FLY36 Works have now been instructed to improve the muddy surface with Type 1 aggregate behind the school and these will be carried out as soon as possible.
Enquiry Refs – 11357338 / 11353709 / 11350382

Mitcheldean

DMD7A Inspected Public Bridleway on 17th May, following a report of a fallen tree. Located the tree but it is currently perched across two boundary walls with the base still in the grounds of the property it has fallen from. Now need to identify the landowner and get them to remove it as soon as possible.
Enquiry Ref – 11363426
Partial Inspection – 150 metres

DMD21 Inspected Public Footpath at Mitcheldean Business Park on 4th May following reports received that it was blocked. Discovered that the footpath has been completely cut off by building works and there is currently no sign of where / how the footpath will be reinstated once the works are completed. Discussions are now necessary with the landowner and Forest of Dean District Council re planning permission for the site.

Enquiry Ref – 11270912

Partial Inspection – 130 metres

DMD60 Our Works Warden and myself cleared a large fallen tree near Abenhall by chainsaw on 17th May.

Enquiry Ref – 11362011

Partial Inspection – 300 metres

Minsterworth

EMW20 Inspected Public Footpath on 4th May following report that it was blocked by a barbed wire fence. Discovered that it was in fact blocked by two barbed wire fences, one of which had been newly installed, and a deep drainage ditch had also been created which posed an issue for crossing. The landowner will now need to be identified and contacted to rectify this issue.

Enquiry Ref – 11362758

Partial Inspection – 160 metres

Newland

FSB131 Met with PROW Projects Lead on site on 20th April to discuss issue of replacement of vandalised boardwalk in the Sladebrook close to Bearse Farm. Agreed that works are required to replace as soon as possible once new beams have been delivered to our depot.

Enquiry Ref – 11334010

Partial Inspection – 440 metres

Ruspidge & Soudley

NOT PROW Responded to customer enquiry about a path believed to have been a PROW at the end of Coombe Drive connecting Ruspidge Road and Buckshaft Road. However, my investigations found that it was or had never been a PROW.

Enquiry Ref – 11362658

St.Briavels

FSB21 Responded to customer enquiry about the maintenance of the surface of this Restricted Byway at the Bream Cross Farm end on 12th May.

Enquiry Ref – 11361925

FSB27 Installed a further 'Private Land – Please stay on the Public Footpath' sign on one of the wooden waymark posts riverside near Bigsweir on 17th May.

Enquiry Ref – Email

Partial Inspection – 695 metres

FSB94 Inspected Restricted Byway on 10th May and located the gate which had been reported as being placed across it. Spoke with the landowner / property owner about it and advised them that they were not allowed to do this as I could not issue them with authorisation to do so as it had not been erected to prevent the access / egress of livestock. They agreed to remove it as soon as possible. On 12th May, responded to customer enquiries about this.

Enquiry Refs – Email & 11363702

Full Inspection – 210 metres

FSB95 Inspected Restricted Byway on 10th May and located the reported fallen tree. Returned on 17th May and with the help of the PROW Works Warden cleared the tree by chainsaw.

Enquiry Ref – 11363701

Full Inspection – 157 metres

FSB118 Our Works Warden and myself cleared a large fallen oak tree by chainsaw on 17th May.

Enquiry Ref – 11364629

Partial Inspection – 100 metres

Tidenham

FTM67 Responded to customer enquiries on 12th May about whether works on this Public Footpath were covered by a 'temporary closure' or whether the footpath should remain open.

Enquiry Refs – 11363605 / 11362511

FTM104 / Offa's Dyke Path A fallen tree was cleared by chainsaw by my PROW contractor from the section near Beeches Farm at the beginning of May.

Enquiry Ref – 11362493

FTM104 / Offa's Dyke Path Works to restore a muddy 300 metre section of this Public Footpath with aggregate near to Beeches Farm were completed on 10th May. Inspected site on same day and took photographs of works.

Partial Inspection – 325 metres

West Dean

RWD59 Repaired the rotted and damaged step on the staircase on 16th May. A full inspection of the staircase revealed that several the other steps are also likely to fail in the near future and therefore a full replacement of the complete staircase will be scheduled as soon as possible.

Enquiry Ref – 11362146

Full Inspection – 100 metres

Westbury on Severn

EWS54 Cleared Public Footpath signpost on Blaisdon Lane of overgrown hedgerow on 4th May.

EWS56 Cleared Public Footpath signpost of overgrown hedgerow and replaced broken pointer with a new one on 4th May.

Enquiry Ref – 11352568

EWS147 Replied to customer enquiry on 12th May about the responsibility for cutting a hedgerow which runs down the side of the Public Footpath.
Enquiry Ref – 11363990

Woolaston

FWO115 Our Works Warden and myself cleared a large fallen tree by chainsaw on 17th May.
Enquiry Ref – 11360969
Full Inspection – 207 metres

Total Distance Inspected = 8,436 metres / 5.24 miles