

Completed jobs during January 2023 – up to and including 31st

Awre

DAW21 / Severn Way Inspected this Public Footpath on 25th January to review the remaining seven wooden stiles on this section between Northington and Bullo Pill. Identified two near Northington that could be replaced with kissing gates in this Financial Year and having spoken to the landowner on the same day gained their agreement with their replacement.
Partial Inspection – 1,375 metres

DAW81 / Severn Way Inspected this Public Footpath on 6th January and cleared the branches from a fallen tree that were blocking the concrete footbridge at the southern end at Purton. Also cleared many brambles and overhanging branches from the enclosed section just before the first valley which contains the second footbridge heading north on this footpath. Noted the works that are required to make this bridge safe as well as the works to repair the broken steps that lead down to the bridge, and these will be scheduled before the end of March. Also installed three new waymark discs on the recently installed stiles on the cliffside section following completion of works by Network Rail. Revisited the same site on 31st January to clarify the repair works that are needed to the surface.
Enquiry Ref – 11395868
Partial Inspection – 530 metres (x2)

DAW95 / Severn Way A new metal kissing gate was installed by my PROW contractor on land at Whites Court Farm, replacing the final wooden stile remaining on this section of Public Footpath. These works were kindly funded by County Councillor Beki Hoyland from her Highways Local budget.

DAW111 Inspected this Public Footpath on 25th January.
Full Inspection – 485 metres

DAW112 / Severn Way – On 25th January met with landowner of Branches Farm who assisted with moving a new kissing gate and materials from Awre village to the riverside. My PROW contractor then removed the last remaining stile on this section and a new metal kissing gate was installed in its place. Again funded by Beki from her Highways Local budget.
Partial Inspection – 675 metres

Cinderford

DCF4 Responded to customer enquiry on 3rd January regards vehicles parking on this Public Footpath between Woodside Avenue and Westerley Close. Also emailed company to which it is claimed that one of their vehicles is illegally using this as a parking area.
Enquiry Refs – 11388369 / Email

Coleford

RCO1 Inspected this Public Footpath on 17th January, whilst works were being undertaken nearby.
Full Inspection – 455 metres

RCO10 Inspected this Public Footpath on 17th January, whilst a new metal **pedestrian gate** was **installed** by my PROW contractor to replace a wooden stile. With the landowner's permission another two stiles were also removed mid-route to leave a gap instead.
Enquiry Ref – 11347088
Full Inspection – 325 metres

RCO12 A new **wooden stile** was installed by my PROW contractor on this Public Footpath to replace the previous 'fence' version **and** a new **handrail** was also **installed** along the section to the lane at the same time. Funding for this and the gate on RCO10 was kindly provided by Carole Allaway-Martin from her Highways Local budget.
Enquiry Ref – 11362678

Hewelsfield & Brockweir

FHE62 Inspected this Public Footpath on 12th January following an issue received about water running down the footpath from Underhill. Identified that the water was coming up out of the ground from a raised embankment on the lower side of a wall from Underhill. Found that the water was either coming from a highway drain in Underhill or it was a spring. Forwarded the issue back to Highways to investigate the potential drain issue.
Enquiry Ref – 11393912
Full Inspection – 70 metres

Longhope

DLH60 Responded to two separate customer enquiries on 3rd January regards barbed wire which has been placed along the side of this Public Footpath and the adjacent Public Footpath DLH59 around Colemans Wood and Hobbs Quarry. Also held separate discussion with an adjacent landowner where the line of the Public Footpath is currently blocked.
On 24th January returned to the woodland and met with the landowner who now owns the southern section of Colemans Wood to explain the discussions that I had recently held with the other adjacent landowners and the potential diversion of the legal line of this Public Footpath.
Enquiry Ref – 11392951 / Email

Lydbrook

RLY13 Inspected Public Footpath on 24th January, after a **250-metre section of brambles and bracken** had been **cleared** by my PROW contractor. The route which was previously blocked by the vegetation is now accessible again.
Enquiry Ref – 11369365
Full Inspection – 245 metres

RLY17 Inspected Public Footpath on 24th January, after a **60-metre section of brambles, bracken and overhanging branches** had been **cleared** by my PROW contractor. The route which was previously blocked by the vegetation is now accessible again.
Enquiry Ref – 11369365
Full Inspection – 460 metres

RLY25 Inspected Public Footpath on 24th January and found that the route was not only blocked by a series of various sized fallen trees and brambles, but the stile was in completely the wrong place at mid-distance. At least **five fallen trees** were **cleared** by chainsaw from the correct line of the footpath by my PROW contractor on 25th January and a brushcutter was used to clear the brambles. Contact will now need to be made with the landowner to get a stile installed in the correct location.
Enquiry Ref – 11392304
Partial Inspection – 300 metres

RLY34 Inspected Public Footpath on 24th January, following a report of overgrown vegetation, but found that a tree had fallen across the route at the top of the slope above the Old Chapel. The **fallen tree** was **cleared** by chainsaw by my PROW contractor later the same day.
Enquiry Refs – 11392308 / 11316326
Full Inspection – 160 metres

Lydney

FLY44 / Severn Way Inspected this Public Footpath on 31st January with PROW team members to show the excellent clearance works recently carried out by my PROW contractor.
Full Inspection – 2,830 metres

FLY50 / Severn Way Inspected this Public Footpath on 6th January and cleared a few branches and brambles that were obstructing the signpost at the northern end at Purton. Also installed two new waymark discs to clarify the route near to the disused and former railway line bridge. Returned on 31st January with PROW team members to explain works in progress on a potential diversion of a section of this footpath.
Enquiry Ref – 11389580
Full Inspection – 1,060 metres (x2)

FLY92 Inspected this Public Footpath on 6th January and in particular the newly installed concrete steps through the housing development.
Enquiry Refs – Email / 11380978
Full Inspection – 341 metres

Minsterworth

EMW8 Inspected Public Footpath near to the church on 16th January and investigated the request to clear the drainage ditch which runs alongside the footpath. Works will now be instructed to get this cleared as soon as possible.
Enquiry Ref – 11391506
Full Inspection – 82 metres

Mitcheldean

DMD7A Inspected this Public Bridleway once more on 12th January and found that the fallen trees reported were still blocking the line of the bridleway for horse riders. Held chance meeting with landowner and adjacent farmer on site and between them they have agreed to remove the trees in the four-week period I have given them. Also handed official letter to landowner specifying the reasons for the request to have them removed.
Returned on 24th January to inspect the tree removal works that had been completed.
Enquiry Refs – 11363426
Partial Inspection – 100 metres (x2)

DMD60 Inspected Public Footpath on 12th January following complaint that it had been unofficially closed. Identified the issues and noted the developer working on the site. Contacted the developer on 13th January and requested them to complete and return an emergency / temporary closure form which I emailed to them that day.
Returned to site on 24th January following completion of the works and met with developer who had now reopened the footpath and returned the surface back to a walkable condition.
Enquiry Ref – Email
Partial Inspection – 250 metres

Newland

RNE12 A new **wooden stile** was **installed** by my PROW contractor on this Public Footpath halfway between Newland and Highmeadow Farm on 17th January to replace the previous version which had a very high step.
Enquiry Refs – 11393957 / 11367781 / 11295281

RNE30 Inspected Public Footpath on 17th January and cleared the overgrown brambles and old mans beard which were across the line of the footpath in a few places, as well as a metal kissing gate. Replaced faded waymark discs with new ones on one of the stiles and the kissing gate.
Enquiry Refs – 11332474 / 11291773 / 11291772
Full Inspection – 1,152 metres

RNE32 Inspected Public Footpath on 17th January and replaced four of the faded waymark discs on two of the stiles with new ones. Also noted the **overgrown brambles and low hanging trees** **in** the **80-metre section** behind the chicken farm and this was **cleared** by my PROW contractor a few days later.
Enquiry Refs – 11367983
Partial Inspection – 740 metres

Newnham on Severn

ENE13 A new **set of wooden steps** were **installed** by my PROW contractor outside Gibraltar Cottage in Hyde Lane on 9th January to replace the broken ones.
Enquiry Refs – 11386328 / 11381245 / 11379017

Tidenham

FTM104 / Offa's Dyke Path Inspected the section of Public Footpath close to the entrance of Tintern Quarry on 6th January. Checked the recent **fencing installed** by my PROW contractor, which was erected to prevent people who were still walking the old line of the footpath and causing damage to the scheduled monument.

Enquiry Ref – Email

Partial Inspection – 890 metres

FTM104 / Offa's Dyke Path Responded to email enquiry from English Heritage on 9th January about a proposed running event on the entire length of this Public Footpath which is under their guardianship.

FTM107 / Offa's Dyke Path Responded to questions from Offa's Dyke Association on 3rd January in connection with recent clearance works carried out by my PROW contractor on this Public Footpath and the scheduled monument.

Enquiry Ref – Email

West Dean

RWD14 Inspected bridge and stile on this Public Footpath on 25th January. Later spoke with landowner, gained their agreement to replace with a metal kissing gate, and then instructed my PROW contractor to carry out this installation as soon as possible.

Enquiry Refs – 11387610 / 11322280 / 11322718

Full Inspection – 525 metres

Westbury-on-Severn

EWS10 Inspected this Public Bridleway on 6th January to check on recent surface improvement works and identify the location of a reported fallen tree. Found that the works had been successful at preventing flooding in a known pinch point and found the tree which had already had its main obstructing branches removed by chainsaw. Removed a significant amount of overhanging thorn branches and other vegetation that remained.

Enquiry Ref – 11379208

Full Inspection – 1,220 metres

EWS18A / Glos Way Met with the landowner at Green Farm on 6th January and gained agreement that we would replace two broken stiles with a metal pedestrian gate and a wooden stile as soon as ground conditions improve. Returned on 26th January and met with landowner whilst a new metal **pedestrian gate** was **installed** by my PROW contractor to replace the broken stile at the farm entrance.

Enquiry Ref – 11374480

EWS40 Replied to customer enquiry on 9th January with regards to the line of this Public Footpath where it is blocked with brambles where it meets with Public Footpath EWS38. Works were scheduled to get this section cleared and a 100-metre section of blackthorn and brambles were cleared by tractor flail on 12th January. Inspected clearance on 16th January and then a new wooden stile was installed in the fence line by my PROW contractor a few days later.
Enquiry Refs – Email / 11301948

EWS74 Cleared stile of brambles and hedgerow blocking access at the eastern end of this Public Footpath on 6th January.

EWS78 / Severn Way Replied to PROW Closures team on 4th January with regards the temporary closure of this Public Footpath near Goose Lane and requested that it is reopened from 8th February when the current closure comes to an end. The Environment Agency were also contacted to confirm that the footpath can be opened either on or before that date.
Enquiry Refs – Email / 11391271 / 11379768 / 11379176 / 11367069

Woolaston

FWO44 Responded to customer enquiry on 3rd January regards planning application P1966/20/FUL which is now going to appeal. Access to this new development is proposed via this Public Footpath which is situated off Park Hill Road. Visited site on 6th January and inspected the position of this Public Footpath in relation to the claimed vehicular access.
Enquiry Ref – Email
Partial Inspection – 120 metres

Total Distance Inspected = 16,080 metres / 9.99 miles