

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

Alvington

FAL17 Met with Network Rail on 13th July to discuss proposals for extinguishing this dead-end Public Footpath to enable the closure of the pedestrian level crossing.
Partial Inspection – 200 metres

FAL18 Met with Network Rail on 13th July to discuss proposals for closing a section of this Public Footpath to avoid the level crossing but creating a new section of Public Footpath from FWO117 to rejoin with FAL18 on the flood bank.
Partial Inspection – 360 metres

Awre

DAW81 / Severn Way Inspected this Public Footpath on 17th July in respect of the rotten bridge boards but could only find two that had a slight bit of deterioration on them, and nothing that caused me any concern which requires attention this year. I also investigated the issue of the reported broken steps and was surprised to find that these had not been renewed which I believed had been undertaken by my PROW contractor earlier in the year. Therefore, I instructed him to get the new steps installed here as a matter of urgency and this was completed on 26th July.

Enquiry Ref – 11422825 (Resolved) / 11422823 (Resolved)

Partial Inspection – 835 metres

DAW81 On 14th July, my PROW contractor installed a new metal kissing gate close to Purton replacing two stiles which were located almost parallel to one another and only some ten feet apart. The adjacent fencing has also been realigned in order that the kissing gate can be placed as the only furniture at this point but retaining the security for livestock.

Enquiry Ref – 11416485 (Resolved) / 11395865 (Resolved)

DAW119 Responded to enquiry on 20th July with regards to ownership of the area of land along which this Public Footpath runs.

Enquiry Ref – Email

Aylburton

FAY31 This Public Footpath was reported as being overgrown with nettles and brambles. Following my instruction, the line was trimmed clear by my PROW contractor on 11th July.

Enquiry Ref – 11425001 (Resolved)

Blaisdon

DBL12 Inspected this Public Footpath on 5th July where it starts / ends at the gatehouse of Blaisdon Hall and located the reported lock on the door. On 12th July emailed the new owners of the property and requested that the digi combination lock is removed from the door as soon as possible as it is classed as an obstruction and an offence under Section 137 of the Highways Act. Received reply on 13th July stating that the digilock had now been disabled. I responded to request that the digilock is completely removed as whilst it remains it acts as a significant

visible deterrent to anyone using the footpath. Checked on the gatehouse door on 17th July and was pleased to see that the digilock had now been removed.

Enquiry Refs – Email / 11423875 (Resolved) / 11423500 (Resolved)

DBL13 Cleared branches that were obstructing the Public Footpath pointer and signpost on the Huntley to Blaisdon Road on 5th July.

DBL45 Following receipt of a report that the signpost at the southern end of this Public Footpath was hidden in the hedgerow, I instructed my PROW contractor to clear it, and this was completed on 27th July.

Enquiry Ref – 60001592 (Resolved)

Cinderford

DCF4 This Public Footpath was reported as being overgrown with nettles and brambles. Following my instruction, the edges of the tarmac footpath were trimmed clear by my PROW contractor on 11th July.

Enquiry Refs – 11425470 / 11425364 / 11423059 (All Resolved)

DCF15 This Public Footpath was reported as being overgrown. Following my instruction, the line was trimmed clear by my PROW contractor in mid-July.

Enquiry Ref – 11416470 (Resolved)

Coleford

RCO Issued order for new Town Centre signage to be used on Public Footpaths around Coleford on 20th July.

Enquiry Ref – Email

RCO9 This Public Footpath between Victoria and Bowens Hill Roads was reported as being overgrown. Following my instruction, the edges of the footpath were trimmed clear by my PROW contractor in mid-July.

Enquiry Ref – 11421759 (Resolved)

RCO17 Following a report that this Public Footpath was virtually impassable my PROW contractor was instructed to clear it, and this was carried out on 21st July.

Enquiry Ref – 11427075 (Resolved)

RCO18 Coleford Walkers are Welcome volunteers cleared the stile of vegetation at the Poolway Road end of this Public Footpath on 10th July.

RCO20 This Public Footpath between Gloucester Road, Langetts Road and Bells Field was reported as being overgrown. Following my instruction, the line was trimmed clear by my PROW contractor in mid-July.

Enquiry Ref – 11420483 (Resolved)

RCO25 This Public Footpath between Rock Lane and the rear of the Suntory Factory was reported as being overgrown. Following my instruction, the line was trimmed clear by my PROW contractor in mid-July.
Enquiry Ref – 11426818 (Resolved)

RCO27 This Public Footpath between Newland Street and the Recreation Ground was reported as being overgrown. Following my instruction, the line was trimmed clear by my PROW contractor in mid-July.
Enquiry Ref – 11362714 (Resolved)

Drybrook

DDB7 This Public Footpath was reported as being overgrown. Following my instruction, the line was trimmed clear by my PROW contractor in mid-July.
Enquiry Ref – 11426763 (Resolved)

Hewelsfield & Brockweir

FHE15 Inspected this Restricted Byway on 5th July following recent surface improvement works.
Enquiry Ref – 11421416 (Resolved) / 11401613 (Resolved)
Full Inspection – 350 metres

FHE16 Inspected this Restricted Byway on 5th July following recent surface improvement works.
Full Inspection – 255 metres

FHE42 Responded to informal consultation that as I had been involved from the outset in discussions with the applicant over the diversion of this Public Footpath, I was happy to confirm that I fully supported it and had no objections.
Enquiry Ref – 11425575 (Resolved)

Huntley

DHU2 / Glos Way Spoke with customer on 24th July regards this Public Footpath which is currently blocked due to rewilding. Visited the footpath on Brights Hill the following day to determine the extent of the issue and how access could be gained to clear the 'crop'. Found that DHU3 was also affected and contacted both the landowner and the tenant farmer on 25th July to request that the lines of the footpaths are cleared as soon as possible.
Enquiry Refs – Email / 11427944 (Ongoing)
Full Inspection – 245 metres

DHU3 Inspected Public Footpath on 25th July in connection with above issue on DHU2.
Full Inspection – 255 metres

DHU49 / Glos Way This Public Footpath was reported as being completely blocked by a maize crop. Following my instruction, a line through the maize crop was flailed clear by my PROW contractor on 10th July. I also notified the farmer on the same day of what we were doing, and he claimed that he had already cleared a line. I agreed to send him a map of exactly

where the Public Footpaths were located, so that he knew for future years where he had to keep a line clear.

Enquiry Refs – 11423614 / 60001422 / 60001379 (All Resolved)

DHU51 / Glos Way This Public Footpath was reported as being completely blocked by a maize crop. Following my instruction, **a line through the maize crop was flailed clear** by my PROW contractor on 10th July. I also notified the farmer on the same day of what we were doing, and he claimed that he had already cleared a line. I agreed to send him a map of exactly where the Public Footpaths were located, so that he knew for future years where he had to keep a line clear.

Enquiry Ref – 60001423 (Resolved)

DHU51 / Glos Way Issued invoice to landowner on 24th July for recent works completed to install a new kissing gate and field gate on this Public Footpath.

Enquiry Ref – Email



DHU52 A **new six metre wooden footbridge** was **installed** by my PROW contractor on 7th July on the line of this Public Footpath where it crosses the stream and the parish boundary with Blaisdon, where it joins DBL17. A further eight metre foot bridge in very close proximity to this one was also cleared of vegetation on 6th July and access was once again possible without requiring stepping through the adjacent ford!

Enquiry Refs – 60001425 (Resolved) / 60001424 (Resolved)

DHU53 Cleared the stile of vegetation at the Grange Court Lane end of this Public Footpath on 6th July.
Enquiry Ref – 11420287 (Ongoing)

Littledean

DLD9 Contacted customer on 14th July in connection with an incident where he had been electrocuted by an electric fence across this Public Footpath.
Enquiry Ref – 11417725 (Resolved)

DLD35 This Public Footpath off the A48 near Popes Hill was reported as being overgrown. Following my instruction, the line was trimmed clear by my PROW contractor in mid-July.
Enquiry Ref – 11425397 (Resolved)

Longhope

DLH42 Inspected Public Footpath on 25th July following reported of being blocked by brambles. Identified two spots where the brambles were causing an issue and my PROW contractor cleared the line later the same day.
Enquiry Ref – 11388638 (Resolved)
Full Inspection – 145 metres

DLH60 Responded to informal consultation that as I had been involved from the outset in discussions with the applicant over the diversion of this Public Footpath, I was happy to confirm that I fully supported it and had no objections.
Enquiry Ref – 11425628 (Resolved)

Lydbrook

RLY1 My PROW contractor was instructed to clear the fallen tree as reported on this Public Footpath on 12th July, but one could not be found.
Enquiry Refs – 11420653 (Resolved) / 11413464 (Resolved)

RLY12 This Public Footpath in Lower Lydbrook between footpaths RLY14 and RLY17 was reported as being overgrown. Following my instruction, the line was trimmed clear by my PROW contractor in mid-July.
Enquiry Ref – 11425513 (Resolved)

Lydney

FLY1 This Public Footpath was reported as being overgrown with vegetation between Norchard Steam Centre and Tufts Farm in Brockhollands. My PROW contractor was instructed to clear this and this was completed on 11th July.
Enquiry Refs – 11425891 / 11424666 / 11409765 (All Resolved)

FLY2 With reference to the above reports, it was later reported that this Public Footpath down to Tufts Farm was virtually impassable due to bracken. My PROW contractor was instructed to clear it, and this was carried out on 21st July.
Enquiry Ref – 11427671 (Resolved)

- FLY11 Installed a new Public Footpath pointer on the signpost at Primrose Hill on 13th July to replace the one which had been broken off.
Enquiry Ref – 11425026 (Resolved)
- FLY14A Installed new Public Footpath stickers on the faded pointer on the signpost opposite Court Road on 13th July.
Enquiry Ref – 11424780 (Resolved)
- FLY16 This Public Footpath between Primrose Hill and Lancaster Drive was cleared of overgrown vegetation by my PROW contractor as reported on 13th July.
Enquiry Ref – 11421552 (Resolved)
- FLY18 Installed new Public Footpath stickers on the faded pointer on the signpost at Lydney churchyard on 13th July.
Enquiry Ref – 11425880 (Resolved)
- FLY25 Inspected Public Footpath off Naas Lane on 13th July and found it completely blocked by a maize crop as reported. Following my instruction, a line through the maize crop was flailed clear by my PROW contractor on 18th July. On 24th July emailed the responsible farmer with maps detailing the line of this Public Footpath so that he knows where to clear it next year.
Enquiry Ref – 11422118 (Resolved)
Partial Inspection – 375 metres
- FLY28 Installed a new Public Footpath pointer on the signpost at Highfield Road on 5th July. Also installed new two pointers on the signpost at Centurion Road on 13th July.
Enquiry Refs – 11423878 (Resolved) / 11423200 (Resolved)
- FLY33 Inspected this Public Footpath on 13th July and found it blocked between the A48 and the stile into the field. Following my instruction, the vegetation was cleared by my PROW contractor on 17th July.
Enquiry Ref – 11422658 (Resolved)
- FLY34 Inspected this Public Footpath on 13th July and found it partially blocked by a wheat crop. Following my instruction, the line was cleared from the stile to the tractor lines in the wheat by my PROW contractor on 17th July.
Enquiry Ref – 11422666 (Resolved)
- FLY39 Contacted developer on 12th July in attempt to resolve issue with Rambler's objection to proposed diversion route of this Public Footpath. On 14th July, held discussions with Persimmon Homes, Legal Officer in Forest of Dean District Council and the Ramblers regarding the objection. Have now successfully negotiated with the Ramblers to retract their objection based on a small amendment to the route and new evidence regarding the exact positioning of established mature trees preventing the routing of the footpath along the route they were suggesting.
Enquiry Refs – Email / Phone

FLY44 / Severn Way Met with Network Rail on 13th July to discuss safety works being carried out by Amco and QTS on the cliffs next to the railway and how this would impact on usage of this Public Footpath by walkers.

Partial Inspection – 1,260 metres

FLY50 / Severn Way Installed new Public Footpath / Severn way pointer on this signpost at Purton on 17th July.

FLY78 This Public Footpath reported as being blocked by overgrown vegetation was cleared by my PROW contractor on 14th July allowing access again.

Enquiry Ref – 11424115 (Resolved)

FLY85 Installed new Public Footpath stickers on the faded pointer on the signpost next to the primary school on 13th July.

Enquiry Ref – 11425025 (Resolved)

FLY95 Inspected this Public Footpath on 5th July and confirmed that it has now been surfaced with a Type1 aggregate as requested. Also installed a new pointer on the lamppost at the eastern end of the footpath at Rodley Manor Way and additional waymark discs on the two new kissing gates, one at mid distance and the other at Bracken Close.

Enquiry Ref – 11425062 / 11423417 / 11397288 (All Resolved)

Minsterworth

EMW7 Installed four no cycling signs, two each on the gates of the section which runs through the garden of the property called The Naight on 6th July following a few incidents between walkers and cyclists.

Enquiry Refs – 11420220 / 11414885 / 11406092 (All Resolved)

EMW25 / Glos Way Cleared many brambles which were completely blocking the stile at the A48 end of this Public Footpath on 6th July. Also cleared hedgerow from around both the Public Footpath and Gloucestershire Way pointers which had been totally obstructed.

Mitcheldean

DMD27 / Wysis Way This Public Footpath was reported as having overgrown vegetation and I instructed my PROW contractor to clear it. On 11th July this was completed.

Enquiry Ref – 11424022 (Resolved)

Ruardean

DRD36 Replied to customer on 24th July regards overgrown vegetation on this Public Footpath.

Enquiry Ref – Email

St.Briavels

FSB15 Inspected this Public Footpath on 4th July and cleared many brambles and branches that were virtually blocking the route. Also checked the wooden stile at the northern end of the Forestry England woodland which requires a new step and risers with access possible once the wheat crop in the adjacent field has been harvested. A few new steps were also required near this edge of the wood.

Enquiry Refs – 11385932 / 11385931 (Ongoing)

Partial Inspection – 375 metres

FSB16 Two new metal kissing gates were installed by my PROW contractor at Bearse Farm on 4th July. Issued invoice to landowner for works completed on 24th July.

Enquiry Ref – Email

Partial Inspection – 325 metres



FSB17 Inspected this Public Footpath on 4th July and cleared many overhanging branches and brambles. Also met with two landowners on 25th July who were trying to resolve the issue of the location of their adjoining boundaries and who was ultimately responsible for the installation of new gates on the line of the footpath. I agreed to send both parties a copy of my map detailing the Land Registry boundaries and the lines of both Public Footpaths.

Enquiry Ref – 11425810 (Ongoing)

Partial Inspection – 425 metres

FSB47 / Offa's Dyke Path Responded to Parish Council on 20th July regards a perceived fallen tree reported to them in the area of this Public Footpath.
Enquiry Ref – Email

FSB103 Responded to customer enquiry regards an unofficial closure of this Public Footpath near Cockshoot Hill on 20th July.
Enquiry Ref – Email

FSB114 Responded to customer query on 26th July regards the surface and vegetation affecting this Public Footpath near to the Bream Road.
Enquiry Ref – Email

FSB118 / Glos Way Following a report that this Public Footpath was virtually impassable my PROW contractor was instructed to clear it, and this was carried out on 25th July.
Enquiry Ref – 11382497 (Resolved)

Staunton (near Coleford)

RST4 Inspected Restricted Byway on 13th July in connection with reported drainage issue near to Buckstone House.
Enquiry Refs – 11424269 / 11422690 (Ongoing)
Partial Inspection – 300 metres

Tidenham

FTM16 / FTM24 / FWO88A (Glos Way) Inspected these Public Footpaths on 5th July looking for the report of a fallen tree off Kelly's Lane but I could not locate it. Cleared a substantial number of overgrown brambles and bracken from FTM24 in the process which was making that section of footpath impassable.
Enquiry Ref – 11410723 (Resolved)

FTM77 Met with Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust staff at Lancut Nature Reserve on 5th July to discuss a recent fallen tree and eroded riverbank on this Public Footpath. Found that a new trail had already been created inland skirting around these two issues and agreed that this was acceptable to be used. A greater issue exists with the route of the footpath across a fallen rock scree and discussions are continuing with regards the answer to this question.
Enquiry Refs – Email / 11425012 (Resolved)
Partial Inspection – 1,100 metres

FTM89 Installed new 'Acorn' pointer on the signpost at the start of this Public Footpath at Whitecroft on 5th July to direct walkers using the Offa's Dyke Path in the direction of FTM77C where the National Trail goes, instead of down this footpath.

FTM113 / Offa's Dyke Path This Public Footpath has now been cleared of vegetation by my PROW contractor as part of the biannual cyclical maintenance programme.
Enquiry Ref – 11419299 / 11418103 / 11417785 (All Resolved)

West Dean

RWD7 Instructed the farmer to clear the line of the Public Footpath through the maize crop in this field at Yorkley Court and this was completed on 3rd July.

Enquiry Ref – 11418594 (Resolved)

RWD11 Instructed my contractor to return and finish clearing the line of this Public Footpath through the wheat crop where it runs from Yorkley Court Farm to the Lydney road on 12th July and this was completed the same day. Inspected footpath on 17th July to ensure that the line had been cleared in the correct location.

Enquiry Ref – Email / 11418597 (Resolved)

Partial Inspection – 275 metres

RWD17 Inspected Public Footpath on 25th July following a request received from the landowner that he would like three stiles replaced with kissing gates. However, upon inspection found that there was now only one stile remaining on this route with a pedestrian gate and a kissing gate in the other two locations mentioned.

Enquiry Ref – Phone

Partial Inspection – 275 metres

RWD18 Inspected this Public Footpath on 25th July and cleared a number of overhanging branches and brambles that were protruding across the footpath following the recent substantial clearance works by my PROW contractor.

Full Inspection – 200 metres

RWD25 Inspected this Public Footpath on 25th July following reports of overgrown vegetation blocking the path. Only found a small number of overhanging brambles, bracken or bushes and low hanging branches which I cleared as I walked along the path. All waymark posts and signage were present where they should be.

Enquiry Ref – 11382513 (Resolved)

Partial Inspection – 785 metres

RWD54 Inspected Public Footpath at Sling on 5th July looking for reported issue with a broken spring on a gate. Both ends of this Public Footpath are completely open with no fencing or gates. I therefore assume that the location has been incorrectly reported as RWD54 when the issue is to do with the gate on the pavement between Laureldene and Gorse Lane. I will therefore transfer this to Highways.

Enquiry Ref – 11409629 (Resolved)

RWD55 Inspected this Public Footpath on 25th July following a report received that it was blocked by vegetation. However, found that the route was completely clear and accessible.

Enquiry Ref – 11381537 (Resolved)

Full Inspection – 507 metres

RWD59 On 11th July my PROW contractor installed a new 1200mm bridge board on the footbridge to replace the one which had been damaged.
Enquiry Ref – 11425889 (Resolved)

Westbury on Severn

EWS22 / Glos Way Met with landowner on 25th July in connection with this Public Footpath which is completely obstructed with a maize crop. Later emailed landowner with a map of the Definitive line explaining where it needs to be cleared and provided our information leaflet on the law for farmers regards ploughing and cropping. My PROW contractor then met with the landowner on 28th July and following my instruction, a line through the maize crop was flailed clear with the landowner assisting with his farm machinery.
Enquiry Refs – Email / 60001596 (Resolved)
Partial Inspection – 300 metres

EWS26 On 28th July, a bridge, stile and kissing gate were cleared of vegetation by my PROW contractor that had been hindering access on this Public Footpath near to Bagley Farm.
Enquiry Ref – 60001457 (Resolved)

EWS70 Inspected Public Footpath on 13th July and the barley crop which was blocking the line of this Public Footpath has now been harvested. On 14th July emailed the responsible farmer with maps detailing the line of this Public Footpath so that he knows where to clear it next year.
Enquiry Ref – 60001415 (Resolved) / 60001397 (Resolved)

EWS71 Inspected Public Footpath on 13th July and the barley crop which was blocking the line of this Public Footpath has now been harvested. On 14th July emailed the responsible farmer with maps detailing the line of this Public Footpath so that he knows where to clear it next year.
Enquiry Ref – 60001396 (Resolved)

EWS91 There is no longer a roadside signpost at the start / end of this Public Footpath but a waymark disc has now been added to the roadside stile, with access clearly visible.
Enquiry Ref – 60001540 (Resolved)

EWS95A On 27th July the bridge at the eastern end of this Public Footpath was cleared of vegetation and hedgerow by my PROW contractor that had been obstructing access. The issue reported with the adjacent signpost is still to be resolved.
Enquiry Ref – 60001541 (Ongoing)

EWS111 On 27th July the signpost and stile were cleared of hedgerow by my PROW contractor that had been blocking access to this Public Footpath.
Enquiry Ref – 60001525 (Resolved)

EWS114 On 27th July the stile at the southern end of this Public Footpath was cleared of hedgerow by my PROW contractor that had been completely blocking the access.
Enquiry Ref – 60001569 (Resolved)

EWS131 On 27th July the **field gate and signpost** at the southern end of this Public Footpath were **cleared of hedgerow** by my PROW contractor allowing the gate to be reopened, and access restored.
Enquiry Ref – 60001580 (Resolved)

EWS138 On 27th July the **signpost** at the eastern end of this Public Footpath was **cleared of hedgerow** that had been obstructing it by my PROW contractor.
Enquiry Ref – 60001593 (Resolved)

EWS152 Issued invoice to landowner on 24th July for recent works completed to install a wooden stile on this Public Footpath.
Enquiry Ref – Email

EWS160 Enquiry Ref – 60001505 (Resolved)

Woolaston

FWO21 / FWO27 Responded to query from County Councillor on 17th July regards the issue of these two blocked Public Rights of Way near to Ross Farm.
Enquiry Refs – Email

FWO117 Met with Network Rail on 13th July to discuss proposals for diverting this Public Footpath from the level crossing to the underpass and then along the flood bank to rejoin with Public Footpath FAL18.
Partial Inspection – 310 metres

FWO118 Met with Network Rail on 13th July to discuss proposals for extinguishing this Public Footpath on safety grounds as it currently runs through a farmyard, over a level crossing and now no longer connects to FWO119 due to riverbank erosion.
Partial Inspection – 385 metres

FWO119 Met with Network Rail on 13th July to discuss proposals for diverting this Public Footpath and creating easier access with the installation of two kissing gates.
Full Inspection – 405 metres

New enquiries / issues received (01/07 – 31/07) = 145!

Enquiries Resolved = 79 😊

Total Distance Inspected = 10,247 metres / 6.37 miles