

Project Completion Notification

BLACK CAT LANE; BYWAY 5 ABBESS BEAUCHAMP & BERNERS RODING leading into BYWAY 1 FYFIELD

Current Problem:

At present the lane is naturally surfaced. Some sections are open and exposed to the elements while the majority is enclosed by trees and hedges. The constant use by motorised vehicles and the nature of the lane along with local topography and geology make the route almost impassable for some users for large parts of the year. The lane has become highly waterlogged and rutted and has been noted as being very difficult to negotiate for some users.

Scheme objective:

This scheme objective and proposal is to undertake surface and drainage improvements along with vegetation clearance to bring the route up to a standard whereby it is useable for all those with public rights.

In Order to achieve Scheme objective:

Work will involve undertaking clearance of overhead vegetation to increase the amount of light reaching the surface of the route to aid drying. Digging of grips to drain standing water from the route into adjacent ditches. Crushed concrete will be laid in the ruts to raise the surface to slightly above surrounding ground levels. Road planings or similar material will then be laid as a wearing course and compacted to provide a firm and level or compacted to a fall/ camber as necessary surface. By raising the path level above the surrounding ground, this will improve run off of any water rather than it sitting on the newly laid surface.

Scheme summary & outcome:

This scheme involving surface and drainage improvements along with vegetation clearance has enabled us to bring the route up to a standard whereby it is useable for all those with public rights. Where the lane had once become highly waterlogged, boggy and rutted and was noted as being very difficult to negotiate for some to use and pass along, it now provides an off-road walking, cycling and horse riding, carriage driving and motorised vehicular opportunity for the local community and the public in general.

Site Photos:

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Works Approval

The below signs to agree that works have been completed as per the agreed specification.

Designers Comments:

Title: PROW Engineer	Date: 12 October 2021