Footpath Restoration Plan

Progress Report: November 2026

Despite recent events, the volunteers have rallied together and, with the common cause of maintaining or footpaths for the enjoyment of the whole community, we have managed to carry out a significant amount of work during the months of September and October.

We mowed the entire Eastern portion of the network twice using the Husqvarna sit-on mower. This section of our footpaths is still dry and a lovely place to enjoy spotting signs of the wildlife that we share the land with.



We mowed the entire Western portion of the network twice using the Husqvarna sit-on mover. Every time we do this we meet people from our local community as well as many others walking St Oswalds Way.
Everyone we meet has positive comments about how well the footpaths in our parish are maintained.



Although it isn't actually a footpath, the volunteers are always happy to help where they can within the village. We accepted a call for help and weeded and mowed the children's play area. It was great to see two of our younger villagers giving up their time to help with this.



What we used to call "the baby trees" aren't so "baby" anymore but we still need to tend the grass around them. This is one of the first signs of our village that people see as they approach from the east. It's a sign that we care about our community and environment.



In addition to the above, we've been busy elsewhere, including mowing the entire length of Footpath 101/015 near Coalhouses Farm and FP101/008 near Dairy Court. One of our focus points next year will be to work even more in harmony with the flora and fauna. Our aim will be to encourage wildflower growth and winter food stores for wildlife.