

# CHALVINGTON WITH RIPE PARISH COUNCIL

## FOOTPATHS REPORT

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This report is rather cursory, as I have not been resident in Ripe since the New Year, and as a result have not had much time to keep an eye on footpaths in the Parish.

A couple of points that I have made previously: at this time of year the footpaths are beginning to show signs of becoming overgrown, so it really is helpful if people use them a bit more in order to keep the vegetation down. There are indications also that horses have been ridden along one or two footpaths, which does make them awkward for walking.

As mentioned in a previous report, Footpath no: 4 on the Footpaths Map, where it heads off from the fishing lake below Mark Cross Lane and through the coppice beyond, alongside the stream, rapidly becomes overgrown with nettles and other weeds; also affected by a number of fallen trees, it has recently become impassible for normal walking.

Fortunately there have not been any recent instances of crop planting impinging on footpaths, but I shall let the Council know if this does occur during the summer months.

I shall hopefully be resident in the village again before too long.

As always, I am grateful if anyone brings problems to my attention.