pWMPC Environment and Leisure Working Group

Report by Footpaths Warden for E&L Meeting of 08 April 2024

Since the February meeting the following work has been carried out

1. B1078 between Broad Road turn and 30mph signs. Several referrals to footpaths@wickhammarketpc.com on this one. Footway (not PRoW) cleared of encroaching vegetation near Border Cot lane crossing point. Over half the footway covered in growth for much of its length and overhanging vegetation creating poor visibility for traffic and pedestrians. There is a fallen fir from a garden on Parkway at the crossing point which will probably require Highways intervention in the near future. At Broad lane/Border Cot turn cut back corner growth severely to expose 30mph sign and allow sight of traffic. With the excellent newly installed SID further down this will contribute to lowering traffic speeds.



- 2. WMPC has purchased a cordless brushcutter/strimmer which (after training on 10.04.24) will be used to tackle seasonal ground and side growth on PRoWs throughout the Parish. It will make a massive difference.
- 3. There will be a small footpaths display at the Annual Parish meeting on 12.04.24 and publicity via the Parish News to encourage land/boundary owners to take responsibility where their property borders PRoWs.
- 4. Contact has also been made with the Community Engagement Co-Ordinator at The George in respect of setting up a walking/accessibility group in the village.
- 5. SCC are responsible for PRoWs and along with ESC footways, however, requests for action and communication with our Rights of Way officer have been unproductive.

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