

NORTH YORKSHIRE
LOCAL ACCESS FORUM

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PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY MAINTENANCE UPDATE

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To provide an update on maintenance work undertaken in the 2013/14 financial year.

2.0 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 This report covers the period 1 April 2013 to 31 March 2014.

3.0 FIGURES

- 3.1 The Following table shows the number of issues handled:

	Issues Logged	Issues Resolved
2012/13	2812	2636
2013/14	3613	3427

- 3.2 The figures represent an increase in new issues reported of 28% on the previous year. The majority of this increase can be attributed to the complete survey of Ryedale District being undertaken by the Ryedale Ramblers.

- 3.3 The number of issues resolved has increased from 2013 by 30%, this can be attributed to the focussed new way of working and the extremely dedicated staff. The number of issues resolved in the 12 months is the highest achieved on record. This figure was achieved despite two posts being vacant for over 6 months.

- 3.4 The backlog has risen by 10 (as at 27/05/2014) to stand at 9031

- 3.5 Work within particular work-streams has continued and is detailed below:

4.0 BRIDGES

- 4.1 In addition to 60 repairs, this represents an increase on the previous year of 32.

The following bridges were replaced:

Asset No.	Path Status	District	Parish	Grid Ref
05.25/3290	FP	Craven	Hellifield	38527 45634
10.118/4189	FP	Hambleton	Potto	44753 50535
10.154/2/1	FP	Hambleton	Romanby	43897 49217
15.6/243	FP	Harrogate	Askwith	41795 45229
15.22/277	FP	Harrogate	Clint	42621 46241
15.22/275	FP	Harrogate	Clint cum Hamlets	42701 46219
15.50/307	FP	Harrogate	Great Timble	41787 45258
15.89/3225	FP	Harrogate	Masham	42240 48200
15.50/5251	FP	Harrogate	Timble	41746 45403
20.16/1064	FP	Richmondshire	Constable Burton	41750 49057

4.2 The following bridges are scheduled for replacement / Major Repair in 2014/15:

Asset No.		District	Parish	Grid Ref
10.21/2986	FP	Hambleton	Burrill	42400 4869
10.014/7029	BW	Hambleton	Birkby	42621 46241
10.176/812	FP	Hambleton	Youlton	44970 46370
10.175/5031	FP	Hambleton	Yearsley	45631 47372
10.133/364	FP	Hambleton	Snape	42855 48446
15.122/8967	FP	Harrogate	Stockeld	43799 45052
15.130/1045	FP	Harrogate	Thornthwaite with Padside	41789 45905
15.63/337	FP	Harrogate	Ilton-cum-Pott	41894 47921
15.16/271	FP	Harrogate	Brearton	43213 46064
15.46/3553	FP	Harrogate	Goldsborough	43829 45805
15.118/7408	BR	Harrogate	Sicklinghall	43649 44606
20.37/1046	FP	Richmondshire	Hudswell	41445 49955
25.49/4101	FP	Ryedale	Hovingham	46765 47736
25.50/791	FP	Ryedale	Howsham	47371 46128

5.0 PLOUGHING AND CROPPING

5.1 The process of bi annual surveys continues into its seventh year. Volunteers continue to undertake the initial survey with follow up by NYCC where failures are identified.

5.2 Selby Area was an issue this year due to the lack of volunteers; we are looking to address this with the next survey

District	Routes on List	No. Routes Surveyed	Pass	Fail	Pass Rate (%)	Comparison with Previous Survey (%)
Craven	2	2	2	0	100	50
Harrogate	61	29	15	14	52	17
Hambleton	135	54	18	36	33	21
Selby	85	19	6	13	32	-8
Richmond	25	44	19	25	43	17
Ryedale	75	51	27	24	53	31
Scarborough	6	6	0	6	0	0

5.3 Landowners for those routes which failed have been written to and required to reinstate the routes to an acceptable standard, follow up inspections will be undertaken to ensure compliance before the end of July.

6.0 PROJECTS

6.1 A number of significant projects were also completed during the year.

6.2 Working in partnership with Highways Asset management the rights of way team took the lead in carrying out clearance work with volunteers on a number of unclassified roads.

6.3 Working with volunteers the Ripon Rowel promoted route guide has been rewritten and will be relaunched shortly.

6.3 The extension to the Nidderdale Greenway has been completed providing a traffic free cycling link from Ripley to the quiet lane network and beyond. This work was undertaken in partnership with Sustrans and DfT.

8.0 CONCLUSIONS

8.1 This work contributes to the enjoyment of our network and the improvement is highlighted in the following powerpoint presentation.

8.2 It is recommended that members receive this report for information.

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