

THE TITTLESHALL PARISH

COUNCIL FOOTPATH REPORT

TUESDAY 16TH MAY 2023

FOOTPATH TWO starts at the bridge on Church Lane with the public right of way stretching diagonally across the field to join with FOOTPATH ONE that leads to Godwick Farm. The reinstated diagonal path is a metre wide and at its beginning is clear underfoot. But some fifteen metres into the path the rape crop, which if in full bloom and is shoulder high encroaches on the path and obscures it completely making it impassable. There is however, the permissive path initiated by the landowner round the margins of the field that also leads to FOOTPATH ONE and to the entrance leading to the site of the English Heritage Medieval village. FOOTPATH ONE has the field path reinstated leading across to the farm.

FOOTPATH FOUR which has its entrance opposite Manor Farm on the road leading out of the village toward Fakenham is over grown and the path obscured. This also applies to the rest of the path following round the fenced animal enclosure and down to the joining with FOOTPATH ONE at the moat. Very difficult to pick out the path because of the long grass and the overhang.

FOOTPATH FIVE which runs from Back Lane through the farm yard at High House Farm on to FOOTPATH SEVEN, the Old Cricket pitch, and ends at the Stanfield Road entrance. The cricket pitch field has been cut and the path is clear to walk.

FOOTPATH SIX is located on the right of the road leading from Tittleshall toward Litcham and exits at the point where the solar farm is located. The path is hard core and used by tractors and heavy vehicles that keep it clear. The second section of the footpath narrows to grass and has an electric fence running the length. The fence is activated only when livestock are grazing.

There is a narrow path clearly seen but the hedge side and the long grass do encroach and this needs trimming which would help walkers feel more secure in what is a very restricted space.

FOOTPATH EIGHT branches off Back Lane at Cokesford Cottage. The right of way is clear and hard underfoot it being used by farm vehicles regularly. The signpost at the entrance of the footpath indicating the right of way has not been replaced.

FOOTPATH TEN is a continuation of FOOTPATH EIGHT albeit a narrower and greener path that is fairly clear to walk and ends coming out onto the Mileham Road.

FOOTPATH THREE is out of the village on the left off the Stanfield Road and is clear to walk through a rape crop which is high but does not inhibit walkers. The public path signpost is somewhat hidden by the hedge so is not obvious to the eye. The path itself can take the walker partway to Whissonsett but the remaining bit is also well kept and clear.

FOOTPATH NINE is also off the Stanfield Road at Wicken Farm and is a wider path at this time because of tractor use so is good to walk. The path direction goes someway to Mileham but the continuation on is clear to walk.