

THE TITTLESHALL PARISH COUNCIL FOOTPATH REPORT FOR TUESDAY 16TH JULY 2024

FOOTPATH TWO has its entrance signposted to the public right of way at the bridge off Church Lane and continues to cross the field diagonally with the re-instated path through the crop across the field to join with FOOTPATH ONE which then continues up to Godwick Farm and the ruins of the English Heritage Medieval village. The re-instated path across the crop is clear to walk. There is a permissive path that has been installed by the landowner which runs along the right field edge, and at the top turns at a right angle to the left and joins the FOOTPATH ONE. But at this time the vegetation is dense and the path obscured.

FOOTPATH FOUR is entered opposite Manor Farm on the Fakenham Road and leads to an area that was previously a fenced animal pen. The fencing has been dismantled and in its place is an open area forming a tree plantation. Previously the path would have followed the pen round to the left and then joined with FOOTPATH ONE at the old moat. The path now runs in a straight line to join FOOTPATH ONE.

FOOTPATH FIVE runs from Back Lane through to the farmyard at High House Farm and is always kept clear. The path then joins FOOTPATH SEVEN which is the Old Cricket Pitch where the path is visible even though the grass is high and which exits at the beginning of the Stanfield Road out of the village near to the Peelings Coach garage.

FOOTPATH SIX is on the right of the road leading out of the village toward Litcham and ends at the solar farm installation on the back road leading toward Litcham. The first part of the track is hardcore so is clear to walk all year round. The second part of the right of way narrows to grass with an electric fence on the right running the length and with a high hedge running the length on the left. The hedge is in need of cutting back because its growth and thickness has narrowed the path and the path itself is obscured by high grass. The electric fence is only activated when livestock are in the field.

FOOTPATH EIGHT branches off Back Lane at Cokesford Cottage. This right of way is wide and clear it being regularly used by farm vehicles.

FOOTPATH TEN is a continuation of FOOTPATH EIGHT and this is clear to walk ending at the road to Mileham.

FOOTPATH ELEVEN is also a continuation of FOOTPATH EIGHT exiting on the Mileham Road and is passable to walk.

FOOTPATH THREE is located on the left out of the village on the Stanfield Road near Wicken Farm. The public right of way signpost is broken and lies on the ground - snapped off at the base due to rot. The entrance to the path is obscured somewhat by overgrown hedges but beyond that the path is clearly defined and would lead to Whissonsett.

FOOTPATH NINE is also accessed on the Stanfield Road at Wicken Farm. The path, which is usually clear to walk is this time blocked with nettles and thistles the whole length and is very uneven - clearly no maintenance has been undertaken recently. Also the crop has been planted leaving very little space for the path. If the pathway were clear to walk then ultimately Mileham could be reached. There is no signpost indicating the right of way at this footpath.