

FOOTPATH PROBLEMS ON OUR WALKS (AS AT 2ND MARCH 2018)

Walk 24 Neen Savage Safari.

There is no fingerpost at point 5 to indicate where to leave the road. Any route across the field is ok, or use the lane. This path is to be diverted in 2018 and will affect the route of this walk. At that time the walk description will be changed

OTHER FOOTPATH PROBLEMS IN THE AREA.

The following information is provided to help in planning walks of your own.

If you discover other problems while out walking, please [tell us about them](#)

*Where paths are identified as **obstructed** it would be appreciated if you could report the obstruction to Shropshire Council if you come across it. It will help to get something done about it. Also let us know.*

Cleobury Mortimer Central(about 1 mile radius)

- The footpath to the north of the town which runs east/west to the north of the caravan park does not exist on the ground. The Council are in the process of correcting this. SO670764

Information only(not a problem):

- The paths through the pioneer centre(Cleobury Place) have been diverted and the one through the middle has been closed. They are clearly waymarked. SO687778. *The Dinmore Dally* uses part of the diverted path.
- The footpath going south east from Wyre Farm towards the golf course is on a different line to that shown on the map. Follow the waymarks. SO688771
- The path going south from the golf course towards the A4117 is on a different line to that on the map. Going south, go to the south end of the clubhouse and follow the waymarks. SO691766. This is on *A Round of Golf*.

South of Cleobury to Neen Sollars and Milson

- The footpath in the centre of Milson going to Hillhouse farm is **obstructed**. SO637730
- The footpath in the Centre of Neen Sollars which cuts the corner between the road from Cleobury and the road to Mamble is **obstructed**. SO663724
- There is no footbridge to the west of Lower Langley although the stream is fordable in dry periods. The footpath coming from Lea Fields is also obstructed at this point. SO649733.
Note that there is a footbridge a little further west near Upper Langley.
- The footbridge across Mill Brook on the path from Coreley across the airfield has collapsed. It is currently impassible. SO631740
- The old canal footbridge over the Rea to the very south of Neen Sollars (west of Marlbrook) has collapsed. It is not possible to get across the river at this point. SO652703
- There is no footbridge over The River Rea between Marlbrook and Sturt. SO656707

The last two problems combined create a major blockage in the footpath network as there is no way across the River Rea in the area. If you come across these, or would have liked to use them, please report this to the council to give this higher priority for them to resolve.

West of Cleobury to Hopton Wafers

- The path from Ditton Mill Park Home site to Rochehead farm via Hopton Crossing is not walkable. SO638757
- The path just south of the A4117 going towards The Glebe is **obstructed**. The alternative is to continue south to the next field boundary and use the track heading in the same direction. The continuation beyond the Glebe to Doddington is fine. SO630764
- The path running SW/NE between the minor road at Bransley and the A4117 does not exist on the ground. We have not done anything about this as a much better route is to continue on the lane to the A4117 and straight across. SO656754. Going west from Bransley is fine and is on ***The Court Circular***

Information only(not a problem):

- The triangle of footpaths between Lower and Upper Down farms do not exist on the ground. The white road/track between the two can be used. SO630746
- The footpath which runs from Upper Dudnill to Ditton Mill has been diverted to a better line and is not as shown on the OS map. The diverted route is waymarked. SO643747. This is on ***Earls Ditton Exploration*** and ***The Court Circular***.
- The footpath which runs from Haybridge north west towards Upper Down has been diverted to the field edge. SO640740. This is on ***The Milson Meander***
- The footpath which runs west from Little Stepple is diverted and is not as shown on OS maps. It goes around the farmyard and then follows the hedge line south west to meet another footpath near "Majors Rough". SO655771

North of Cleobury

- The footpath at Lower Elcott is a dead end as the white road to the public road is private. SO679784
- The footpath through the middle of Overwood Farm is not useable. SO683797. There are proposals to divert this path in 2018. The one slightly to the south passing Overcott is fine.
- The path to Stepple Hall is a dead end as the track at the west end is private. SO660781
- The path heading west off Baveney Lane has been illegally fenced in and as a result can get easily overgrown with bramble and hedge growth. Please report it to the council if it is difficult to use. On the map this is under the wording Yew Tree Farm SO698797

East of Cleobury to the County Boundary at Far Forest

- The path at Furnace Mill along Baveney Brook going East into the Wyre Forest is so badly eroded that it is dangerous to use and has been closed. SO722766
- The path from Betts Nature Reserve to Furnace Mill house is problematic in that there is no way into the grounds of Furnace Mill House. It needs diverting but the council are not doing anything about it. Please report this to the council if you come across it to give this problem higher priority SO720765

Information only(not a problem):

- The footpaths north and East of our Golf Club have been extensively diverted and bear little relationship to what is shown on OS maps. An information board at the Golf Course gives more information. In particular, the paths through the woodland to the East were particularly problematic but there is now a good route all the way through the Wyre Forest. These routes are on ***The Three Coppices*** and ***The Neen Savage Safari***.
- At Lem Hill on the A4117, the path which goes south from the road towards Acre Farm. The exit from the road is not where it seems. It is further west along the road about 100m at the field boundary under the 'm' of Oak Farm. SO717752