

Footpaths & Bridleways

The Footpaths & Bridleways are the responsibility of the County Council's Rights of Way team (part of Highways)

Rights of Way – please contact Paul for a copy of the definitive rights of way map. The Parish aims to ensure all are kept open with the assistance of landowners and the County Council's Rights of Way team. There has also been a request for the Parish to place an appropriately mounted copy on a display board in the parish – suggestions for location welcome at the next Parish Meeting.

Check the SCC website and use the site to report any problem direct:

<https://www.somerset.gov.uk/waste-planning-and-land/public-rights-of-way/>

E-mail Contact rightsofway@somerset.gov.uk

Note: Clare Haskins helps look after Lamyat Parish

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Village Footpath Volunteers

Simon Lang (for the footpaths north of the Lamyatt High Street) and Paul Chadwick (for those south of the village High Street) will check footpaths & bridleways but any resident that sees a damaged finger post, stile, gate or bridge or dangerous bridleway or impassable right of way should notify the County Council team direct using their website. There are a range of Village volunteers looking after specific stiles/sections of path too by cutting back brambles or using a strimmer every so often– can you help?

It is hoped that there can be an annual village walk across some of the footpaths.

(02/08/2019) Footpaths – Many thanks to those in the village who help look after a footpath or a stile adjacent or close to where they live by clearing away the nettles or overgrowth that can occur. There has been some work by Merv Walters to improve the drainage in the field behind the Church going up to the top of Portway Hill, no doubt in readiness for planting. A side benefit of this is that the footpath up that hill will be drier underfoot, as will be the one going from the Church to the back of the village hall. As per usual, please notify County Council Footpaths & Bridleways direct if there is any major blockages or broken stiles on footpaths you use.
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22/11/2018) Footpath Re-opens: The footpath which used to go under the old Somerset & Dorset railway tunnel was re-opened in October 2018 following the bulldozing of the tunnel. It's again possible to reach the 'Natterjack' across the fields on this route. (photo 21/11/2018).

(04/10/2018) Footpaths: many thanks to all the volunteers who have helped to keep various footpaths and bridleways open this past summer by clearing around a stile or removing obstructions. The Trustees of the Alms House have been asked to

formalise the situation regarding the obstruction of footpath SM13/9 (as raised at the Parish meeting).

The County Council Highways team have produced a [Volunteer Newsletter September 2018](#) and this has useful information about who is responsible for keeping footpaths clear and a report on all the good work being carried out across the County