

**APPENDIX C1**  
**ENFORCEMENT CASE PROGRAMME 2021/22 – UPDATES AND CHANGES MADE TO APPROACH**

Project	Summary of Issue	Actions required 2020/21	Progress 2020/21	Changes made to ID Report approach going forward
<b>General Obstructions</b> Various locations throughout District.	Illegal impediments to public use.	Site visit if deemed a sufficient priority. Prioritise.	Cases dealt with according to priority.	<b>See Appendix C2</b> for issues reported and resolved on the PROW network.
<b>Enforcement work benefiting from a more strategic approach in order to use economies of scale</b>				
<b>Illegal vehicles – non motor routes</b> Various Bridleways and & Restricted Byways especially in downland areas.	Safety hazard, surface damage.	<p>Ongoing area of work in Bucklebury Common, Farnborough and East Garston areas.</p> <p>Kent Carriage Gaps installed during winter months on routes identified.</p> <p>Action days with Police to be organised periodically during autumn and winter months. Some WBC actions might arise from Police requests for new structures or closures.</p> <p>Liaison with Police.</p> <p>Use of cameras.</p> <p>Signage.</p>	<p>Carriage gaps installed, signage installed.</p> <p>Liaison with Police.</p> <p>Ongoing as more sites are identified.</p> <p>Carriage gaps to be reviewed following new best practice advice (two bollards only).</p>	This reporting category to be retained

<b>Illegal vehicles - Byways</b>	Safety concerns and surface damage resulting from irresponsible driving.	<p>Continued winter closures of selected Byways in Bucklebury and Lambourn.</p> <p>Some WBC actions might arise from Police requests for new structures or closures.</p> <p>Includes The Ridgeway National Trail.</p> <p>Liaison with Police.</p> <p>Use of cameras.</p> <p>Signage.</p>	<p>Continued winter closures of selected Byways in Bucklebury and Lambourn.</p> <p>Liaison with Police.</p> <p>This work evolved in late 2019 into the Bucklebury Common Vehicular Use Action Plan - a strategy to protect PROWs on Bucklebury Common from excessive damage by vehicles. The general approach could be used elsewhere and involves seasonal vehicle restrictions; signage; barriers; publicity; surface works; policing, and monitoring by the community.</p> <p>Working with National Trails Office and Police for The Ridgeway.</p>	This reporting category to be retained.
<b>Stiles and gates project</b>	Increase accessibility of the network for less agile or disabled users.	<p>Continue to replace stiles or other restrictive structures with either gaps or more easily accessible gates.</p> <p>Aim for at least one every four weeks. Work mainly carried out by the Ramblers' Work Party volunteer group.</p>	<p>Ongoing area of work replacing stiles with more user-friendly structures, especially on well-used routes.</p> <p>One gate is usually installed per month by the Ramblers' Work Party / gate kits supplied to landowners – but on hold during Pandemic.</p>	This reporting category to be retained.
<b>Equestrian gates</b>	Implement measures to ensure that all gates on equestrian routes are easily-openable from horseback, using best practice gate and latch designs and gate configurations. Mounting blocks to be installed where dismounting cannot be avoided.	<p>To improve 10 to 12 equestrian gates per year would be achievable given resources.</p> <p>Many are wide vehicle access gates with poor accessibility/ latches.</p>	<p>Following a report from the British Horse Society on 62 gates known to be a problem, PROW Rangers have advised on alterations to latches and carried out minor improvements where possible.</p> <p>The British Horse Society has offered a grant of £1000.</p>	This reporting category to be retained.

<b>Overhanging vegetation</b>	Boundary vegetation can obstruct PROWs, but it is the responsibility of the landowner.	Landowners/ farmers contacted in Autumn round-robin letter, and householders contacted following inspection of problem.	Ongoing area of work, best resolved over Autumn & Winter.  Letters not done in 2020/21 due to pressures on staff time as a result of increased use of the network during the Pandemic.	This reporting category to be retained.
<b>Cropping</b>	A seasonal network problem affecting c.300 paths.	Spring letter/email to selected landowners. Enforcement of complaint if required.	Ongoing area of work. Seasonal.  Letters not done in 2020/21 due to pressures on staff time as a result of increased use of the network during the Pandemic.	This reporting category to be retained.
<b>Ploughing</b>	A seasonal network problem affecting c.300 paths.	Autumn letter/email to selected landowners. Enforcement of complaint if required.	Ongoing area of work. Seasonal.  Letters not done in 2020/21 due to pressures on staff time as a result of increased use of the network during the Pandemic.	This reporting category to be retained.
<b>Visual tree inspection project</b>	Safety of users, particularly on popular routes and routes to school.	The high-priority tree-lined routes to be identified and surveyed. Works needed and/ or contact landowners.	The high-priority tree-lined routes have been identified and surveyed. Funding being allocated to necessary works.	This reporting category to be retained.
<b>Categories of problems to be incorporated into Appendix C2 as individual issues</b>				
<b>Forestry Works</b>	Traffic management often lacking/ poor. Failure to liaise with WBC. Surface damage.	Landowners/ Forester to be contacted as necessary.	Advice from Streetworks given. Industry guidance collated.	<b>See Appendix C2</b> for combined list of issues reported and resolved on the PROW network.
<b>Streetworks Failures</b>	Surface damage, WBC liability and maintenance risk	Contact utilities, issue failure Notices in conjunction with Streetworks Team. PROWs being added to Streetworks Gazetteer.	Subcontractors contacted on site. PROWs being added to Streetworks Gazetteer.	<b>See Appendix C2</b> for combined list of issues reported and resolved on the PROW network.

