

Agenda item 6 - Public Questions

Questions 1:

Please may I ask Councillors the following questions:

1. If Councillors know of a broken Stile, please can they remind the Landowner that it is his or her responsibility to repair and maintain it?
2. If Councillors know that a cross-field Public Footpath or Public Bridleway is Ploughed or subsequently disturbed, because it is inconvenient not to do so, and the way is not reinstated within 14 days of ploughing or 24 hours of subsequent disturbance: then please can Councillors remind Landowners that it is their responsibility to reinstate the Public Right of Way within the laid down timescale? (Field-edge Public Rights of Way should not be ploughed or disturbed.)
3. If Councillors know that an Electrified Fence is positioned across a Public Footpath or Public Bridleway please can Councillors remind Landowners that this would constitute an obstruction of the Right of Way: allowances can be made if very strict guidelines are followed?
4. If Councillors know of side, overhanging or overhead growth that impedes the use of a Public Footpath or Public Bridleway (*"the smallest most insignificant Public Footpath way out in the countryside is as much a part of the Queen's Highway as the busiest street in town"*) please can Councillors remind Landowners that it is their responsibility to clear it?
5. Please can Councillors remember that as Saltash Town Council is a member of Cornwall Council Local Maintenance Partnership that they are responsible to trim vegetation growing on the surface of the Public Footpath or Public Bridleway: that is, unless it is cultivated crops which would be the Landowners responsibility to keep clear?
6. If Councillors know of any dangerous animals in general (Bulls, Cattle, Dogs, Shooting Parties etc) or other obstructions impeding Members of the Public use and enjoyment of a Public Right of Way please can Councillors remind Landowners, Occupiers and Owners of their responsibilities?

Please see: [Landowner rights and responsibilities - Cornwall Council](#)

Please see: [Local Maintenance Partnership - Cornwall Council](#)

Thank you.
Peter Clements