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Mountfield Foot Path Wardens Report

Hello Irene.

Hope you are well and been enjoying the recent sunshine.

Below our Footpath Wardens report for April 2025.

Hopefully we will be able to join you for the Parish meeting on the 11th April.

## Mountfield Footpath Wardens Report April 2025

We continue, along with local ramblers groups - Battle, Rother & Bexhill - to walk the Parish paths regularly. As ramblers we usually clear and cut back as we go to keep the footpaths from getting too overgrown and report back to Sussex Rights of way team any problems we find eg - broken Stiles, gates, footbridges, fallen trees etc.

Earlier in the year we were asked to go and check on Mountfield Footpath 11b code MOU/11/2 This path goes past The Banks and up to Baldwins Farm. The contractors had started on the demolition of the old greenhouse and left quite a lot of debris across the footpath but the path was still passable with care.

We checked out a possible footpath diversion in an adjacent field in case it became necessary to redirect. The Contractors/ builders had left a Keep Out sign (building unsafe)directly over the footpath which could put people off from using it.

We've been up recently and although there's still no sign of any building works the whole area has been tidied up leaving the Footpath clear for all to use, but the Keep Out sign is still there.

The field leading up to Banks Farm has temporary deer fencing blocking the footpath with a sign saying' new trees being planted'. This fencing can be opened to allow passage. There wasn't anyone around to ask any details but I'm sure the Parish Council must-be aware of the planting.

The footpath runs parallel to the fencing and has been churned up by heavy machinery but should recover quite quickly.

We are unaware of any other issues within the Parish but if anyone finds a problem please let us know and we will go and check it out.

We have noticed that some stiles have been replaced by metal gates in fields where animals are not involved, these are a welcome addition to footpath accessibility.

Mountfield is a lovely Parish to enjoy a peaceful ramble and we enjoy helping to keep it that way.

Regards

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