

Report on Bradninch Public Footpaths, By-Ways and Bridleways

September 2026



FP1 - Kensham Avenue to Parsonage Street

2010 metres



new gates and finger post

The path from the gate in Kensham Avenue

Crosses an open field often with livestock in it,

so care is required, particularly with dogs and requires adherence to the countryside code.

No action required



FP1 Addendum – Weaver Bridge to Garlandhayes Farm 800 metres



The path is well signposted with finger boards at each end and intersections. The path runs across the middle of fields.

No action required.

FP1a - Kensham Avenue, Park Farm, alongside railway line to Hele 1370 metres



Path is well defined and passable, can be a bit boggy on the lowland by the railway line.

No action required

FP3 - Hele Road, Charwell Lane to Cemetery Lane to Millway 350 metres



Generally very well used and reasonably maintained. The path has been fenced off from the field below the cricket pitch, which was initially unpopular with dog walkers, and the fence was damaged on a couple of occasions. The situation seems to have been resolved with the use of paths across the wetlands, so the fencing is now intact. The path at the cemetery end is subject to washout from rain runoff, this is being monitored and addressed by the Town warden for the Town Council.

No action required.

FP4 - West End Road to Casebury 1920 metres



No action required

FP5 - Hen Street to Back Lane

820 metres



No action required

FP6 - Hen Street to Beacon Hill

420 metres



Footpath and steps generally in good condition,
No action required

FP7 - Culver Close

370 metres



No action required

BW8 – Russell Park Lane - Bradninch Common to Colebrook	470 metres
	About 150m southeast of the Cole Brook water is draining onto the track from the adjacent field making a 10m section of the track very wet. Some evidence of use by a motorbike. Action required to surface of lane and drainage measures.
FP11 – Wishays Farm, Trinity	230m
	Well used track despite having deep ruts over the central section.
No action required	
FP12 – Shutelake, near Butterleigh	250 metres
	No action required

BW13 – Back Street	80 metres
	Cobbled highway well used by traffic – some loose stones need attention.
Action - Monitor condition of stone paving	
FP15 – Hele Paper Mill to Exeter Road, alongside Hele Payne Farm	440 metres
	
No action required	
FP16 - Hele Road to Dukes Orchard	110 metres
	
No action required	
FP18 - Back Street – AS BW13 above	80 metres
Strawberry Lane – Parsonage Street to Cullompton Hill	
	
No action required.	

Cranishaies Lane – Parsonage Street to Highdown Farm

725 metres



Lane in very good condition

No action required

Singleton's Lane – Back Lane to Beacon Hill

510 metres



Lane showing some signs of erosion with small gully forming in lane.
No signage at either end of lane.

No action required.

Fordishaies Lane – Week Cross to Bagmore Hill, Trinity

900 metres



Erosion has and is forming deep gullies along the northern 750m of this lane making it very difficult to walk or ride along

There is no signage at either end of this lane.

The southern end is used by large numbers of slurry tankers importing from other farms such that at times it is impassable.

Action required – improvement of southern section by stone or hardcore

Wishays Farm Lane

650 metres



No action required

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