

Killay Community Council

Public Rights of Way Committee Report January 23, 2024

Footpath KI114



Cllr Fletcher checked the footpath in January and noted the following:

The landowner was given until Christmas 2023 to remove the three obstructions along the footpath.

At this time in January 2024 (please see attached photos), at the Western end of the path the barbed wire has been cut but the embankment remains in place.

At the middle gate, the chain and padlock have been removed.

At the Eastern end, some barbed wire has been removed.

Cllr Barrar reported this to Paul Mellor Natural Environment Manager on January 22nd requesting an update on the next steps he will be taking to ensure full compliance with the council's request. And will he be progressing legal action further as noted in his email to Cllr Barrar on August 2nd, 2023?

Chris Dale, Countryside Access Team Leader replied on January 23rd stating that he had checked this 3 weeks ago and their position was that the tenant farmer had not removed the obstructions adequately. The Council's solicitor has belatedly heard from the tenant farmer's solicitors and The Countryside Access Department was in the process of replying.

The Public Rights of way Committee will regularly check the footpath and report back to Chris Dale.

Rhiannon Barrar January 23rd, 2024