

**RIGHTS OF WAY WORKING PARTY MEETING
PARISH ROOM, MEMORIAL HALL
16TH MARCH 2023**

1.	<p>Present : Carina Helmn (KPC), Jackie Worboys (ROW), Neil Burns</p> <p>Apologies : Carol Finch</p>	
2.	<p>Footpath Maintenance : Recruit local walkers as volunteer wardens with set paths to inspect regularly and to monitor contractors/farmers maintenance works.</p>	
3.	<p>Promoting Walks : Provide more walks leaflets to distribute. KPC website link to Herts/UK footpath networks under 'Living Here' – long scroll down! Promote Herts Health Walks and set up Kimpton version. Add number of 'steps' per walk to encourage walkers to meet Gov. health minimum targets. Jeanette Bowers also has Pathfinders (a group walking 3 – 5 mile walks). Make sure the links info complements Pathfinders.</p> <p>Campaign for the Protection of Rural England (CPRE) – contact in village is Davina Malcolm. www.cpre.org.uk Membership single from £5 pm and household £7 pm. Local group www.cpreherts.org.uk. Can access walks without being a member.</p> <p>Use Facebook to promote all the walking information.</p> <p>Check maps and leaflets and update or improve.</p>	
4.	<p>Circular Route via Ayot</p> <p>Connect footpath 17 from Bibbs Hall along the field edge to Ballslough Hill to join either FP6 or FP2 back to village. Harding and Oxford Trust land. We should inspect these fields to see how feasible this would be before approaching farmer/owner.</p>	
5.	<p>Cycle Route to Harpenden</p> <p>Neil Burns has outlined two routes to leave the village.</p>	

	<p>1. Cycle up Lloyd Way, along Probyn Close and thru to Coopers Close. Cross road at junction of Coopers Close and Cooper's Hill into field. A path would need to be created across this field to the west side of the Lodge to join Porter's End Lane. Then down Mackerye End/Castle Rise/Common Lane to join Lower Luton Road (B653) by Katherine Warington school where there is a crossing at Batford Mill to join Marquis Lane or Crabtree Lane. Alternatively a little way along the Lower Luton Road there is another crossing to cross at the footpath over Batford Springs and join the other end of Marquis Lane.</p> <p>2. Cycle up Lloyd Way and continue up steps onto footpath running behind Lloyd Way, Probyn Close and Cooper's Close. Then on the field side of Cooper's Hill crossing at the Porter's End Lane junction. Then continue as above.</p> <p>Option 2. means creating more cycle surfaces. Walk routes and speak to landowners/farmer.</p>	
6.	Footpaths FP28 and FP29. Long running dispute with Hunter Peace. Walk it annually. May need better signage.	