

RoW Report – October 2024

There is little to report this month. Continued rain has made many footpaths extremely damp, and also loosened the footing of several stiles (which have been reported via the Somerset Roam app).

The RoW officer at Somerset Council has commented on the on-hold Emily Estates application for the new farm on the Black Eight site. In particular they have raised the following concerns with the current proposal:

1. The proposal will obstruct the bridleway WN 22/16 and restricted byway WN 31/10 due to the new access route crossing twice in quick succession.
2. The proposal will affect footpath WN 31/9 due to the landscaping measures proposed such as the slope creation and hedging.
3. The legal line of the public footpath WN 31/9 does not align with the existing track at the site.

We will need to await the submission of the revised application (due before 24 Nov) to see if these concerns are responded to or are still relevant.