

Cornwall Local Access Forum

Coastal Access Working Group

Report for CLAF Meeting, 17th January 2024

No issues have arisen that have required a meeting of the Working Group since the last CLAF meeting.

Below is an update on some of the issues reported previously to the Forum.

1. Improvements to the South West Coast Path arising from the Natural England national Coast Path scheme:
Work is continuing on improvement projects. There are currently three categories:-
 - (a) Lengths which have been improved and waymarked and are available to the public; these are lengths on publicly accessible land, primarily National Trust land;
 - (b) Lengths which have been improved but are not yet waymarked or available for use; these are on lengths of private land and will not be available until the formal opening of the national coastal route;
 - (c) Lengths still to be improved.
2. The need for year-round access at Place Ferry/River Percuil – this is being provided by a ring-and-ride service as it is not economically viable to provide a regular ferry in the winter. Feedback from users is awaited.
3. The Working Group hoped to provide relevant coastal information on the CLAF website. Progress on the website is awaited.
4. Neighbourhood Plans – it was agreed that input to Neighbourhood Plans was a Forum-wide issue, not merely a Coastal Access one. It was agreed that a letter be drafted to be sent from the Forum to Cornwall Council requesting that the best way of achieving Forum input to these Plans be discussed (minute 9.c.i. 3rd May 2023). A draft has been forwarded to the Forum Chair.