

## Footpath Report for Estates Meeting of 6<sup>th</sup> February 2025

**BOAT 31** which runs from Coltsfoot Green to Genesis Green is open to all traffic and suffers in the wet season. I asked PRow if the usual restricted access signs could be erected. This was done but the signs were promptly removed. While the PRow Officer was visiting he noticed the state of the surface (photo on left) and offered to i) arrange some 40 metres of surface dressing and ii) to request that the landowner clears the ditch. As this is a green lane he may find the latter a challenge. I suggested that there were similar muddy patches further north but did not get a positive response. No doubt the budget is tight.



**Footpath 24** I raised the matter of the collapsing bank on Footpath 24 (Coltsfoot Green to Cloak Lane), as has Hilary, and the response was that ‘the RoW is not technically the walked path. Once the bank impacts the walk line further, we can pursue getting the RoW back on its alignment and bypass the erosion’. It appears that nothing will be done in the short term.

**Footpath 30.** This path runs parallel to, and joins, BOAT 31. The blockage was at the entrance to woodland at the northern end during one of the recent strong winds sessions. Photo on the right. The smaller trees have been cleared by the landowner and a walk through has been created in the trunk of the large tree.

### Trimming of hedges and clearing of ditches.

Can we thank the landowners who have trimmed the hedges which border footpaths and give a reminder to those who have yet to complete the task that they only have another month. Many hedges have been trimmed.

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