

North Bucks rRIPPLE
(ramblers Repairing & Improving Public Paths for Leisure & Exercise)
Activity Report – 1 March 2023 – 31 May 2023

Copies of before & after photos of all work are available on request. Man hours include some travel time. DaG = Donate a Gate. CAMS (Countryside Access Management System) is a reference used by BC (Buckinghamshire Council) for work requests. All work is requested and authorized by Alastair McVail, BC North Bucks PRow Officer, or Jon Clark, BC Senior Strategic Access Officer. PG = Pedestrian Gate (e.g. Centrewire Marlow or Secure-a-Field Charnwood); KG = Kissing Gate (e.g. Centrewire Woodstock or Secure-a-Field Berkswell). DFU = Dinton with Ford & Upton.

“Installed to NB rRIPPLE standard” means the following: “Marlow gate installed c/w 22 mm washer, hinges greased, eye bolt thread copper greased and latch oiled. Two 1.8 m x 100 x 100 UC4 15 year Redwood posts c/w Postsaver sleeves are attached to the gate’s H-frame with two 10 mm diameter coach screws. The posts and H frame are tamped in firmly with copious quantities of stones. Improved by the Ramblers square decals and BC way markers fitted as appropriate.” KG slightly different as only one post needed and as from 30/1/19 we are now putting half a 20 kg bag of Post Fix (c£5.72 + VAT per bag) on top of each of the two galvanized “feet” of the two hoops. Arisings, i.e. the timber from the old stile is cut up by chain saw and removed from site unless stated otherwise.

6/3/23 Notley Old Mill flood alleviation project. See 8/4/23. Tel con with Nick Reynolds to say people are asking when aggregate is going to be added to top off or cap off the chalk embankment. He said after lambing he’ll get it sorted.

6/3/23 CRFC: Purchased 4x6m tarpaulin to cover up our stock of gates more neatly.

6/3/23 Dinton with Ford & Upton DFU/37/1 at SP778103 potential S2KG. Met farmer Tony Bate-man at Chilboro Hill Farm to discuss. He’s very concerned about cattle escaping out onto the road and would only agree to a double gate arrangement here - a superior style of kissing gate. Emailed Rosemary Bird, Simply Walk to enquire as to how high on her hit list this particular S2G is. She responded to say not particularly, as exit onto road is hazardous.

7/3/23 CRFC. Fitted new 6x4m tarpaulin over kissing gate hoops storage. 2man hours. BJoe. 12 miles including trip to Toolstation to buy bolt cutters and 100x100 Metpost; Joe 16.

7/3/23 Haddenham HAD/20/2 at SP723083. Recovered 100x100 timber finger post from south side of road that indicates route of permissive path along inside edge of hedge to HAD/18/1 at SP727082. Took finger post home and trimmed off its rotten base. Treated end with end-of-grain. 2 man hours. BJoe. 5 miles.

7/3/23 Nether Winchendon. Emailed Angie Birks to ask if she’s still following up on 3 potential S2Gs with the Spencer Barnards following receipt of her grateful email regarding the two new timber KGs we recently installed in Cuddington.

8/3/23 Haddenham HAD/20/2 at SP723083. Reinstalled timber finger post using Metpost driven into ground. Alerted Brian Bowman who’d requested this. 2 man hours. BJoe. 5 miles; Joe 16.

9/3/23 Bierton BWB/3/2 CAMS 99085 at SP827166 for S2G received.

9/3/23 Bierton BWB/4/1 CAMS 99086 at SP836155 for S2KG received.

9/3/23 Upper Winchendon UWI/2/1 CAMS 99084 at SP748135 S2G received.

10/3/23 Dinton with Ford & Upton DFU/37/1 at SP778103 potential S2KG. Requested CAMS. Subsequently refused by Alastair who said one gate sufficient and farmer's request for a double gating arrangement is unacceptable.

13/3/23 Bierton. Received full info from John Chantler for a DaG S2KG at SP843161 including name of landowners. (Gate 316.)

13/3/23 Waddesdon. Received request from Chris Leach for an estimate of the number of S2Gs we might envisage completing in the next financial year on tenanted farms owned by Rothchild Estates. We responded "six" between the River Thame and Upper Winchendon; exact locations tbc.

13/3/23 Chearsley CHR/2785 at SP712116 - Potential S2G for YaYa. Anthony Adams emailed that he was now in contact with the landowner and added that this landowner has purchased some fields from John Lloyd through which CHR/4/3 and possibly LNW/2/2 pass. Hopeful of several permissions being given.

13/3/23 Weedon WEE/7/1 at SP823174 & SP819174 Wendy Kett, parish councillor, asked when we might be completing either of these S2KG DaGs. Currently we only have one CAMS.

15/3/23 Towersey, Oxfordshire. Jeremy (Jez) Clark emailed to ask if RIPPLE was still prepared to train some of their locals and assist with the installation of two steel and one timber kissing gate. Responded positively.

15/3/23 Bishopstone Gate 314 SBH/16/2 CAMS 91385 at SP809098. Dismantled dilapidated 4-rail, 2-step, 1-hand post stile. Cleared overhanging hedging and brambles. Installed Secure-a-Field KG to NB rRIPPLE standard. Made good fencing to both sides. 4x6=24 man hours. BKPJohn. 15 miles; John 12.

16/3/23 Bishopstone. Asked former PC Chair Mark Turner if Bishopstone has a footpaths warden with whom we could liaise.

17/3/23 Weedon WEE/7/1 CAMS 98919 at SP818176. Called Wendy Kett to ask for farmer's contact details at East End Farm for S2KG on Wed 22/3/23.

17/3/23 CRFC. Collected KG and four buckets of stones. 1 man hour. B. 10 miles.

19/3/23 Upper Winchendon. Recce of around thirteen potential S2Gs and S2KGs for Waddesdon Estates. 3 man hours. B. 10 miles.

21/3/23 Upper Winchendon. Completed write-up of recce. Emailed 42 Meg doc via Google Drive to Chris Leach.

22/3/23 Weedon Gate 315 WEE/7/1 CAMS 98919 at SP818176. Weedon Parish Council DaG. Dismantled high, 4-rail, 1-step, 1-hand post, sheep-netted stile. Installed Secure-a-Field KG to NB rRIPPLE standard. Retained and made use of telegraph pole closing post for adjacent field gate. Met on site with Wendy Kett, parish councillor. 4x6=24 man hours. BKMike + Michael Fogden.

22/3/23 Weedon WEE/4715 on WEE/7/1 at SP823174. Checked out the distance, 29 m, between the high pressure gas main and this potential DaG S2KG. Sent email to Haim to show the relevant locations and to request permission to dig.

25/3/23 Gate fittings. Tel con with Ray Maguire on 45 degree fittings. He may be in Stoke Mandeville on 26/4/23.

28/3/23 Bierton Gate 316 BWB/4/4 CAMS 99165 at SP843161 Mike and Claire Griffin Trust DaG. Dismantled 3-rail, 2-step, 1-hand post stile. Installed Secure-a-Field KG to NB rRIPPLE standard less no Post-Fix used as no animals expected. Much use made of jack hammer due to concrete layer just below ground surface. 4x6=24 man hours. BKJohnMichael. 22 miles.

28/3/23 Hulcott HUL4907 stiles and "unusual two-plank bridge" on HUL/1/1 at SP845165. Recce made. 30/3/23 requested advice from Rose & Alastair wrt 2xS2Gs DaGs.



28/3/23 Upper Winchendon UWI/7/1 at SP740137. Received CAMS 99210 (requested 25/3/23) for a S2Wooden KG adjacent to The Lime (farm) on the upper road.

30/3/23 Bierton Gate 316. John returned to fit rubbed buffer stop on gate frame to reduce/eliminate clanging as gate closes. 1 man hour. John.

30/3/23 Hulcott HUL/1/1 at SP844162. Requested CAMS for S2G DaG - Griffin Trust. Explained that although the definitive map shows two stiles in close proximity there is in fact only one that is right on the roadside.

30/3/23 Oakley OAK/3103 S2G Jill Conroy DaG at SP644125 - Requested CAMS - received 4/4/23. Requested access info from Paul Kilpin 5/4/23 - received 16/4/23.

5/4/23 Tiddington, Oxon. Peter Jordain of Ickford sent minutes of PC meeting which reported that Thame & Wheatley Ramblers footpaths maintenance team had recently cleared the perennially blocked path between the A418 and Albury. The PC had been asked to consider funding two S2Gs that might be installed by RIPPLE. Took a look and very impressed with clearance.

8/4/23 CRFC. Collected KG. 2x1=2 man hours. BMike. 10 miles.

8/4/23 Long Crendon Notley Old Mill. Fitted plaque to Gate 302 that was installed 5/10/22.



**This raised embankment was inspired by
Tony Clark of Thame & Wheatley Ramblers.**
Funding contributors included
Tony, Bill Piers, HaddSWAC, Aylesbury Ramblers,
Long Crendon & Chearsley parish councils, Nic Brown,
Mike Heybrook & residents of Chearsley, Penny Ward,
Andy Wight, Bowmans, Markwicks, Goochs, Gullands,
Alexanders, Ian Mackey, Ros, Brian Fattorini.

12/4/23 Weedon Gate 317 WEE/7/1 CAMS 98918 at SP820173 Weedon PC DaG. Dismantled 4-rail, 1-step, no hand post, high and awkward stile. Installed KG to NB rRIPPLE standard. Used existing telegraph-pole field-gate closing post for KG. Jack hammer needed to clear concrete close

to telegraph pole. 4x6=24 man hours. BP Michael A & Michael F. 30 miles; Peter 12; Michael F 10. Met with Wendy Kett, Local Footpath Champion and parish councillor and in The Five Elms pub afterwards. Farmer's son, Sam Chapman unlocked gates for us. Awaiting plaque inscription details from Wendy.

14/4/23 CRFC. Collected KG and unloaded arisings. 1 man hour. B. 10 miles.

14/4/23 Tiddington, Albury. Met with Bob Merry and 3 team members of Thame & Wheatley Ramblers footpath maintenance team. Admired their two stile rebuilds and path surface and clearance improvements. Very impressive. Continued discussions in The Fox & Goat. 1 man hour. B. 10 miles.

14/4/23 Weston Turville. Tel con with Martin Weston, Local Footpath Champion & parish councillor. Explained that we're short of road-side work with fields too wet to get across. Suggested he actually talks to a local farmer and asks them who owns adjacent fields rather than leave it to the PC clerk to try and find out who landowners are as it's proving a lengthy and protracted operation.

15/4/23 Oakley OAK/3103 S2G DaG at SP643125. Recce of site. Very wet with high water table. Tracked down landowner and left card with next door neighbour. 16/4/23 Paul Kilpin emailed to say landowner will unlock gate into field. 1 man hour. B. 10 miles.

19/4/23 Oakley Gate 318 OAK/3103 CAMS 99234 S2G at SP643125 Jill Conroy DaG. Dismantled 4-rail, 2-step, 1-hand post stile. Installed Secure-a-Field PG to NB rRIPPLE standard. Met on site with Jill Conroy, DaG sponsor and Barbara Salter, landowner. 3x6=18 man hours. NKMike. 30 miles.

24/4/23 CRFC. Cleared space for delivery of two big bags of shingle on 28/4/23. 1 man hour. B.

25/4/23 Dinton with Ford & Upton DFU/2118 on DFU/14/1 CAMS 99324 at SP760104 repaired broken off D Loop on Centrewire Marlow gate with Centrewire's three-bolt slip-on bolt-on fix-kit. 2 man hours. Jerry.

25/4/23 Bierton Gate 319 BWB/5473 on BWB/4/1 CAMS 99086 at SP836155. Griffin Trust DaG. Dismantled large and wide 2-rail,, 2-step, 1-hand post stile. Installed Secure-a-Field KG to NB rRIPPLE standard. Used farmer's gate post. Slightly modified farmer's removeable 4-rail timber hurdle. Reinstated way-marker post c/w circular walk decals etc. 4x6=24 man hours. BKPMichael. 25 miles.

25/4/23 Dinton with Ford & Upton DFU/37/1 at SP778103. Further to discussion on 6/3/23 re potential S2KG, and WhatsApp on 16/4/23, WhatsApped farmer Tony Bateman at Chilboro Hill Farm to ask if he'd considered suggested arrangement of S2KG.



Tony responded 6/5/23:

kept me busy that gate in the picture is as bad as it can be 1 beast walks in the next 1 tries to hump it and in a panic the beast jumps or rams the whole assembly and chaos ensues. Its a non starter for me

09:14

We responded:

Okay 10:36 ✓

The opening is roadside; the round bullnose assembly is field side, so an animal couldn't walk into the assembly. I think you thought it was the other way around.

10:38 ✓

27/4/23 Impact signs. Joe picked up numerous plaques and brought over to Haddenham. 1 man hour. Joe. 16 miles.

1/5/23 Oakley Gate 318 at SP643125 Jill Conroy DaG. Fitted plaque. 1 man hour. B. 10 miles.

2/5/23 Upper Winchendon Gate 320 UWI/2689 on UWI/7/1 CAMS 99210 at SP740137. Dismantled 5-rail, 1-step, no handrail, high and awkward roadside stile. Installed refurbished timber gate hung on a cut-down 2.1m x 150x150 post. Built new four-post corral using 1.8 m x100x100 posts, rails and garden wall. Very hard going. Ground very difficult. Used jack hammer extensively. Got jack hammer stuck down hole. Levered out with very considerable difficulty. Allen had to go home with hernia problems. Michael came out to relieve Allen. Didn't finish until around 5 pm. 4x9=36 man hours. BKDavid Greaves plus half of Allen & Michael. 40 miles – 2 trips. Allen 20; Michael 20.

4/5/23 Briants of Risborough. Collected twenty 1.8 m x100x100 posts. 1 man hour. B. 15 miles.

5/5/23 CRFC. Collected 18 buckets of stones and KG. 2 man hours. To Helpful Hirings to ask about an extended chisel tool for our jack hammer and to purchase new work boots; sole became detached on old pair. 2 man hours. BJerry. 10 miles; Jerry 10.

5/5/23 Ramblers HQ. Helen Bates, Volunteering Officer – Paths, emailed to say she expects three people to attend our 15/5/23 installation. (Two participated on 15/5/23.)

9/5/23 Upper Winchendon Gate 321 UWI/2660 on UWI/2/1 CAMS 99084 at SP748135. Dismantled fairly rotten 4-rail, 2-step, 1-handrail stile. Detached barbed wire and 2-rails. Installed Centrewire PG to NB rRIPPLE standard. 3x6=18 man hours. BMikeJohn. 20 miles; John 15.



Managed to keep the cattle at bay with a length of blue rope that luckily was on board – it isn't always.

9/5/23 Fitted a latch to Gate 320; met the bull; refreshments after in The Lion, Waddesdon.



10/5/23 CRFC. Loaded Secure-a-Field kissing gate. Then loaded trailer ready for 15/5/23. 1 man hour. B. 10 miles.

15/5/23 Gate 322 Bierton BWB/54856 on BWB/3/2 CAMS 99085 at SP827166. Griffin Trust DaG. Dismantled dilapidated 2-rail, 2-step, 1-hand post stile. Installed Secure-a-Field PG to NB rRIP-PL standard. Made good fencing to both sides and fitted underground blue pipe c/w insulated cable to provide electric fencing continuation. Met with and given help by farmer Adam Lear. 6x6=36 man hours. BDPJohn plus Ed Wilson and Joseph Wilson from Ramblers HQ whom we picked up from and returned to Haddenham & Thame Parkway railway station. 25 miles; Peter 16.

17/5/23 Ford. Recce of DFU/37/2 where Alastair has told us we can't improve two stiles and fix a damaged gate as all three are not on the definitive line. We want to get Buckinghamshire Council Rights of Way Department and the Definitive Map Department to resolve the issue. There is local living testimony of over fifty five years that the on-ground route has been on its present line for at least that length of time. Met with Paul Roads. As the sole remaining sheep farmer in Dinton he's still very anti-gates primarily due to problems with dogs and dog walkers.

22/5/23 Dinton with Ford & Upton. Sent email to Buckinghamshire Council Rights of Way department regarding the need to realign a length of DFU/37/2. Produced and submitted a two page Word doc c/w photos and maps.

22/5/23 Upper Winchendon. WhatsApped John Henry Tapping at Pines Farm to ask if he'd contacted Stephen Jones at Mainshill Farm to ask about converting stile between the two farms to a KG.

25/5/23 Hulcott. Jerry emailed John Charters and Peter Fenton O'Creevy to ask for landowner information. John agreed work on this.

27/5/23 Received four refurbished 45 degree gate fixing sets from Ray Maguire of the Chiltern Society.

2/6/23 Centrewire. Emailed Jed Wragg to thank him for sending us six Bolt-on D Loop repair kits but pointing out the fact that the 10 mm bolts supplied don't pass through the 8 mm slots.

The article below refers to Gates 315, 317 and 322.

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BUCKS briefs

News from Bucks, Milton Keynes and West Middlesex

Village pub route to be fully gated

With pubs closing at ever-frightening frequency many villages are losing the only one left. So where's the nearest and how do you get there? In Bierston, on the east side of Aylesbury both pubs have closed but just two and a half miles (4 km) north across the fields in Weedon is the smashing Five Elms. To see there one used to have to negotiate a series of high, single-step stiles, just about possible on the outward journey but definitely risky on the return. Without our footpath champions negotiating hard with local farmers we've got job sheets from Buckinghamshire Council to replace the stiles.

John, who lives in Bierston and who's actually one of our team, works closely with the parish council that gets support from the Mike Griffin Trust making it possible for them to regularly donate gates in both Bierston and Haksott. In Weedon, our friendly parish councillor Wendy is proactive in addressing the needs of local walkers and organising Donate-a-Gate contributions.

Bill Piers
North Bucks eRIPPLE
For more on the



A warm welcome awaits walkers at the Five Elms in Weedon.

'Donate-a-Gate' scheme go to <http://www.bucks-middx-countryside.org.uk/donate-a-gate.html>



This Secure-a-Field closing gate replaced an awkward stile.

Photos: Bill Piers

28/2/23: Currently outstanding, potential and planned work with DaG opportunities available:

Bierton: Waiting on John Chantler to get landowner info for further Griffin Trust DaGs.

Bishopstone: Roger Goodchild has given permission for further S2Gs. We need to discuss with him or find a local champion to decide on priorities.

Bishopstone: GLK/27/1 at SP820096 footpath illegally blocked by Travellers' camp since early 2020. Steve Miles, of Long Crendon, owns adjacent field but is reluctant to encourage any further land-grab by the travellers. Buckinghamshire Council aware but appear to be ineffective wrt resolving the issue.

Brill: Several S2Gs on BRI/11/7 through Chinkwell Wood; BRI/11/6 towards Dorton Grange; BRI/3/4&5 Rushbed Woods to Cuckoo Close Farm. Waiting on follow up with landowners by Hannah Hulme Hunter, Parish Councillor and Rights of Way Rep.

Chearsley: Potential S2G CHR/2785 on CHR/12/1 at SP713115 in memory of horse YaYa that died 1/2/22. Waiting on follow up by Anthony Adams who has made contact with the new landowner.

Chearsley: Potential S2KG down by river Thame near Bristol Gate on Cuddington to Chearsley road. Waiting on Anthony Adam's and/or Ken Birkby to discuss with new landowner.

Chearsley: Bridge CHR/2803 at SP714097 that links LCR/9/4 and CHR/9/1. Joanne Taylor, Buckinghamshire Council RoW, has asked Corinne Brownsell the RoW Bridge Inspector to go and look at the slab bridge in Chearsley to see if raising a bridge up the banks is a safe option and what type of bridge would be suitable, and we will come back to you shortly regarding that job.

Cuddington: Last stile remaining on this part of the Wychert Way. Waiting on Ken Birkby to get go ahead from landowner.

Ford: DFU/37/2 realignment of section. Waiting for BC PRow team to work with BC Definitive Map team. Once the definitive map route is realigned to follow the route that's been used in perpetuity, then three CAMSs can be produced for us, 2xS2KGs and one replacement PG. Good working relationship with farmer John Henry Tapping.

Hulcott: Waiting on John Chantler to get landowner info for further Griffin Trust DaGs.

Kimblewick: 5xS2KGs. Waiting on request to go ahead from landowner Ted Walker.

Long Crendon: Two awkward and/or dilapidated stiles on LCR/11/1 at SP698093 at College Farm, George Morris - Sandy Hooper. Followed up with email on 19/1/23. Waiting on follow up by Alex Bond, PCMS, who knows the Morris family.

Nether Winchendon. Emailed Angie Birks to ask if she's still following up on 3 potential S2Gs with the Spencer Barnards following receipt of her grateful email regarding the two new timber KGs we installed in Cuddington over Christmas and New Year 22/23. Waiting on Angie to respond.

Slapton & Grove near Wing: 1 x S2KG. Sept 22 Bridget Knight, clerk, has referred problem back to Buckinghamshire Council - no info re landowner. Followed up with email re any developments on 21/2/23. Waiting on James Spratley & Alastair McVail.

Towersey, Oxon: 6/2/23 met with Jeremy (Jez) Clark who is working with parish councillor Ashley Byrne to convert three stiles to a timber gate and two steel KGs. He's working on a grant application (due 1/4/23) with Oxfordshire Council and requested that we get involved possibly in training Towersey people on how to install gates. Waiting to hear from Jeremy.

Waddesdon Estate: 20/2/23: In positive discussions with Chris Leach wrt stiles on tenant farms between Upper Winchendon and Cuddington. Waiting on outcome of chat between John Henry Tapping of Limes Farm and Steven Jones of Mainshill Farm particularly wrt the S2KG where their farms have a common boundary.

Weston Turville: Three S2KGs proposed by parish councillor Martin Watson. Waiting for PC approval to go ahead.

NB rRIPPLE on site man hours – includes a proportion of travel time but not administration time which is considerable!	S2Gap / Bridge/ Steps	S/KG repair	Dog way	S2PG		S2KG		WayMk Post
					DaG		DaG	
224 for period 30 Jan 2015 – 6 Aug 2015	2G	11	9	2	0	1	0	2
66.5 for period 13 Aug 2015 – 17 Nov 2015	0	5	5	0	0	0	0	0
72 for period 18 Nov 2015 – 16 Jan 2016	1B	0	0	6	0	0	0	0
74 for period 17 Jan 2016 – 15 Mar 2016	1G	0	0	2	0	0	2	1
120.25 for period 16 Mar 2016 – 11 Jun 2016	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	1
133 for period 12 Jun 2016 – 14 Aug 2016	1G	0	0	6	1	1	1	0
142 for period 15 Aug 2016 – 21 Sept 2016	0	0	0	2	1	0	2	0
104 for period 22 Sept 2016 – 13 Nov 2016	0	1KG	0	1	1	0	3	3
94 for period 14 Nov 2016 – 31 Dec 2016	0	0	0	4	1	0	0	0
271 for period 1 Jan 2017 – 31 Mar 2017	0	0	0	5	3	1	5	0
216 for period 1 Apr 2017 – 31 May 2017	0	0	1	7	0	0	5	0
185 for period 1 Jun 2017 – 27 Aug 2017	1	0	0	2	5*	0	3	0
193.5 for period 28 Aug 2017 – 25 Nov 2017	1B + 1G	0	0	8	3	0	1	0
187 for period 26 Nov 2017 – 25 Feb 2018	1B + 1G	0	0	3	6	0	3	0
170.5 for period 26 Feb 2018 – 22 May 2018	0	0	1	5	2	2	2	3
300 for period 23 May 2018 – 23 Aug 2018	0	0	0	5	3	3	4	0
231 for period 24 Aug 2018 – 23 Nov 2018	1 Steps	0	0	2	3	2	4	0
207 for period 24 Nov 2018 - 23 Feb 2019	0	0	0	5	2	2	2	0
319 for period 24 Feb 2019 – 23 May 2019	0	0	0	5	4	2	4	0
432 for period 24 May 2019 - 23 Aug 2019	0	1	1	5	11	1	2	0
366 for period 24 Aug 2019 – 23 Nov 2019	0	0	0	7	5	2	1	0
276 for period 24 Nov 2019 – 23 Feb 2020	0	0	0	2	1	1	5	0
83 for period 24 Feb 2020 – 31 May 2020	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0
37 for period 1 Jun 2020 – 23 Aug 2020	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
346 for period 24 Aug – 25 Nov 2020	0	0	0	4	5	0	4	0
370 for period 26 Nov 2020 – 9 June 2021	1G	0	0	1	9	2	2	0
521 for period 10 June 2021 – 14 Nov 2021	2 steps	3KG	0	1	9	2	5	0
473 for period 15 Nov 2021 – 2 Mar 2022	1G	1KG	0	2	7	0	6	0
232 for period 3 Mar 2022 – 31 May 2022	0	0	0	1	3	3	2	0
323 for period 1 Jun 2022 – 31 Aug 2022	0	0	0	2	5	5	2	0
211 for period 1 Sep 2022 – 30 Nov 2022	0	0	0	3	4	1	1	0
241 for period 1 Dec 2022 – 28 Feb 2023	0	0	0	1	0	1	5	0
253 for period 1 Mar 2023 – 3 Jun 2023	0	0	0	1	2	2	4	
Totals	3B/7G/3 Steps	16	17	108	100	34	80	10

*Includes for two Bristol Combination Gates.

S2PG etc. = Stile converted to Pedestrian Gate. (Normally a steel Marlow gate; occasionally an Aston timber gate.)

S2KG etc. = Stile converted to Kissing Gate. (Almost universally a galvanized steel Woodstock gate.)

Total number of gates installed = 322 of which 180 have been DaGs.

Signed: *William (Bill) Piers*

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Many thanks to the team of eleven: myself, Allen, Andrew, Derek, Jerry, Joe, John, Keith, Michael, Mike and Peter but in particular to Jerry who does a lot of the donkey work involving recces, discussions with landowners about access and liaising with parish councils, etc etc. John (Chantler) is our man in Bierton who is a trustee of the Griffin Trust and is the primary mover for improvements in Bierton and Hulcott. We estimate that for every man hour of work carried on outdoors an hour is spent on admin, preparation, tools maintenance etc etc. See our web page.



15/3/23 Bishopstone
SBH/16/2 CAMS
91385 at SP809098.
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22/3/23 Weedon
WEE/7/1 CAMS 98919
at SP818176. Weedon
PC DaG. (315)



28/3/23 Bierton
BWB/4/4 CAMS
99165 at SP843161
Griffin DaG. (316)



12/4/23 Weedon
WEE/7/1 CAMS 98918
at SP820173 Weedon
PC DaG. (317)



19/4/23 Oakley
OAK/3103 CAMS
99234 at SP643125
Jill Conroy DaG. (318)



25/4/23 Bierton
BWB/5473 CAMS
99086 at SP836155.
Griffin Trust DaG.
(319)



2/5/23 Upper Win-
chendon UWI/2689
CAMS 99210 at
SP740137. (320)



9/5/23 Upper Win-
chendon UWI/2660 on
UWI/2/1 CAMS 99084
at SP748135. (321)



15/5/23 Bierton
BWB/54856 on
BWB/3/2 CAMS 99085
at SP827166. Griffin
Trust DaG. (322)



Gate 322 team - L-R: Peter, David. John, Bill
and Joseph Wilson & Ed Wilson, both out and
about on a fact-finding day of work experience
from Ramblers HQ, London.

Joseph & Ed were
helpful and learnt a lot
about how we operate.