

## Agenda item 11

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To: Ginton Parish Council

**Permissive Footpath linking Ginton Road with South Drain**

At the recent meeting of the Parish Council one of the items discussed was planting and maintenance schemes within the parish to celebrate the Peakirk Millennium.

One of the possible schemes identified relates to the footpath above. This tree belt, approximately 10-15 metres wide is probably about 35 years old and provides the setting for the permissive footpath linking the Ginton Road with the South Drain. It is heavily used throughout the year and is an important resource for local people. It is on the boundary of Peakirk Parish.

It is understood that the new owner, Judith Jacobs of Moor Farm, Newborough, is concerned by the abuse of this facility, the path has become rutted and overgrown and some people now walk on the field edge instead, as it is less muddy in bad weather. (At the time of writing this letter I have been notified that this footpath has now been blocked off by the owner.)

The Parish Council is suggesting that a maintenance scheme is drawn up in consultation with the owner and Ginton Parish Council to help keep people off the field edges and on the defined footpath.

I'm sure you will agree that this tree-belt is an important feature of the local landscape that should be protected and preserved for the enjoyment of local people. We hope that if the relevant parties can meet then a favourable outcome can be achieved for all.

I will be writing to Mr & Mrs Jacobs to suggest a three-way meeting. Please let me know if you are in agreement.

Yours faithfully

Angela Hankins  
Clerk