

Egerton NP Policy S3 - Footpaths, byways and roads

The network of green corridors, public rights of way, quiet roads and sunken lanes shown on the Policies Map characterise and protect the nature of the parish and will therefore be conserved and enhanced for the convenience and safety of users, for their ecological, landscape and recreational value, and to enhance connections across the village. In order to continue to protect the tranquillity of the parish roads should not be widened to accommodate increased traffic flows or larger vehicles in general.

Development in the Parish shall:

- a) protect and improve public rights of way, and
- b) construct or provide proportionate contributions towards new rights of way or extensions to link development to the village centre.

Notes to support or explain this policy:

In supporting text, the narrow and winding nature of the roads would be emphasized alongside their unsuitability for HGVs. The importance of encouraging cycling and walking for the health and wellbeing of the community will also be highlighted.

The Steering Group have also identified the footpath which leads from Egerton Forstal and Crockenhill up to Rock Hill Road opposite the gate to the Memorial Field as an important pedestrian route for access to the school, the recreation areas, the Millennium Hall and the shop and pub. If funds can be found, and landowners are in agreement, the Steering Group has proposed that this footpath should be improved to allow pedestrian access throughout the year.

Question:

Would you like to see a policy of this kind included in the Neighbourhood Plan?

Would you support the idea of improvement to the footpath running from Egerton Forstal/ Crockenhill up to the village?

Would you use it if it were improved?