

Rob Kendall....

I am involved in two areas of activity within the Parish of Batheaston.

Cotswold Voluntary Warden and the Cotswolds Parish Warden

Much of our Warden's work concerns maintenance of Public Rights of Way in the countryside; footpaths and bridleways etc; Overgrown Vegetation, fixing or replacing Broken Gates and Stiles, clearing fallen trees, Building Bridges!!!

As Parish Warden I try to regularly walk all the ROWs in the parish and identify problems.

There are only about 14 miles of ROW's which isn't such a big deal. The issue is that they are spread FAR AND WIDE across the parish. So... I would **welcome your help!**

If you are out in the countryside and come across a problem with a Right of Way you can report it to BANES PROW or contact our Parish Council. Either way, the information will get to me and I will endeavour to sort it out.

The Cotswold Wardens also lead Guided Walks (free!!) and involved with Nature Conservation work

Within our parish, the Nature Conservation work includes helping me on Bannerdown Common and Little Solsbury Hill which brings me onto my second role.

Secretary and Land Manager for Batheaston Freeholders Association.

The Association owns Bannerdown Common and jointly owns Little Solsbury Hill with the National Trust.

Our work on both Commons is all about Nature Conservation, Protecting the Environment and ensuring that The Commons are kept in good shape for the enjoyment of everyone, today and in the future.

We will be harvesting wildflower seed on Bannerdown in a few weeks. The seed will be used by local meadow creation and restoration projects.

There is also a task coming up which benefits from lots of helping hands!

RAGWORT control is a classic case of many hands make light work. It is also fun! You will meet new people and we take a bit of time out for nature spotting.

Happy to take any questions at the end of the meeting.

If you have an interest in anything I've mentioned, please have a chat with me after the meeting.

Thank you

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