

SEDGWICK PARISH COUNCIL CANAL REPORT

Canal Inspection March 2022

There has been further damage caused by recent storms; a couple of trees blew over (one on the path and one into the field on the opposite side) and trees opposite Amelia require some removal of branches. James Park attended to make the situation safe and advise and will return to remove the wood and deal with the branch removal. Water levels are high.

Vegetation: The WI trees have arrived and will be planted by James Park this week.

Benches: The two older benches and the Stoker Seat are safe.

Paths: Bernie has ascertained that from David Gibson that CCC will part fund path repairs, but they would have to be commissioned through the CCC and would therefore possibly be more costly. She was also informed that we will need to acquire a path and/or road closure for any future planned felling. She is finding out the cost and time implications of this. This does not apply to dealing with storm damage. This may change the way we deal with felling in the future.

Boundaries, Walls and Fences: all look sound.

Usage: high levels of use – aqueduct very muddy

LCRP: Bernie and I met with LCT this week and they have noted the state of the path and vegetation including rooted damage to structure. They will come up with a 5-20 year management plan. They will investigate safety measures such as a rail for the steps and a rail opposite the installation.

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