**Cotswolds National Landscape, Footpaths Update**

Tysoe is a large parish with over 28 miles of footpaths and public rights of way, including 100 gates and stiles, 150 waymark posts and around 20 footbridges across streams and ditches.

In the last 12 months CNL volunteer work parties have carried out the following work in the parish, in conjunction with Warwickshire CC:

* Replaced 3 footpath bridges in Lower Tysoe
* Cleaned and repainted the majority of yellow posts in the parish, renewed or added around 30 waymark arrow discs where missing or faded
* Mowed and cleared 2 miles of Centenary Way path along Edgehill last July, from Sun Rising House to the Castle Inn, Edgehill
* Mowed and cleared the bridleway SS32 from Tysoe Road to Lane End, Lower Tysoe last August
* Last autumn we worked with the Upton Estate to replace a rotted plank footbridge and reopen the path SS25a from Hopkins Farm across to Sun Rising Hill. Upton Estate also cleared a section of the path from the A422 junction by the natural burial ground up along the lower slope of Edgehill through to Westcote Manor that had been impassable for a couple of years.

Gates, stiles and bridges are the responsibility of landowners, and not funded by groups like CNL, but we can give advice and supply volunteer labour for new installations.

CNL have also organised guided walks in conjunction with the National Trust, including several from Upton House car park.

Martin Smart has become CNL parish warden for the adjacent Compton Wynyates parish, and will assist for Tysoe parish

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