

10th March - De-brief from the Meet and Mingle evening on the 24th February.

The following were comments made by people who attended on this evening:

Footpaths

The Rights of Way that most people indicated they wanted established were:

The access road becomes a public right of way (Letter “E” on the map)

The path from the Royal Massala to the Haul Road and joining the JAG footpath (Letters “G” and “H”)

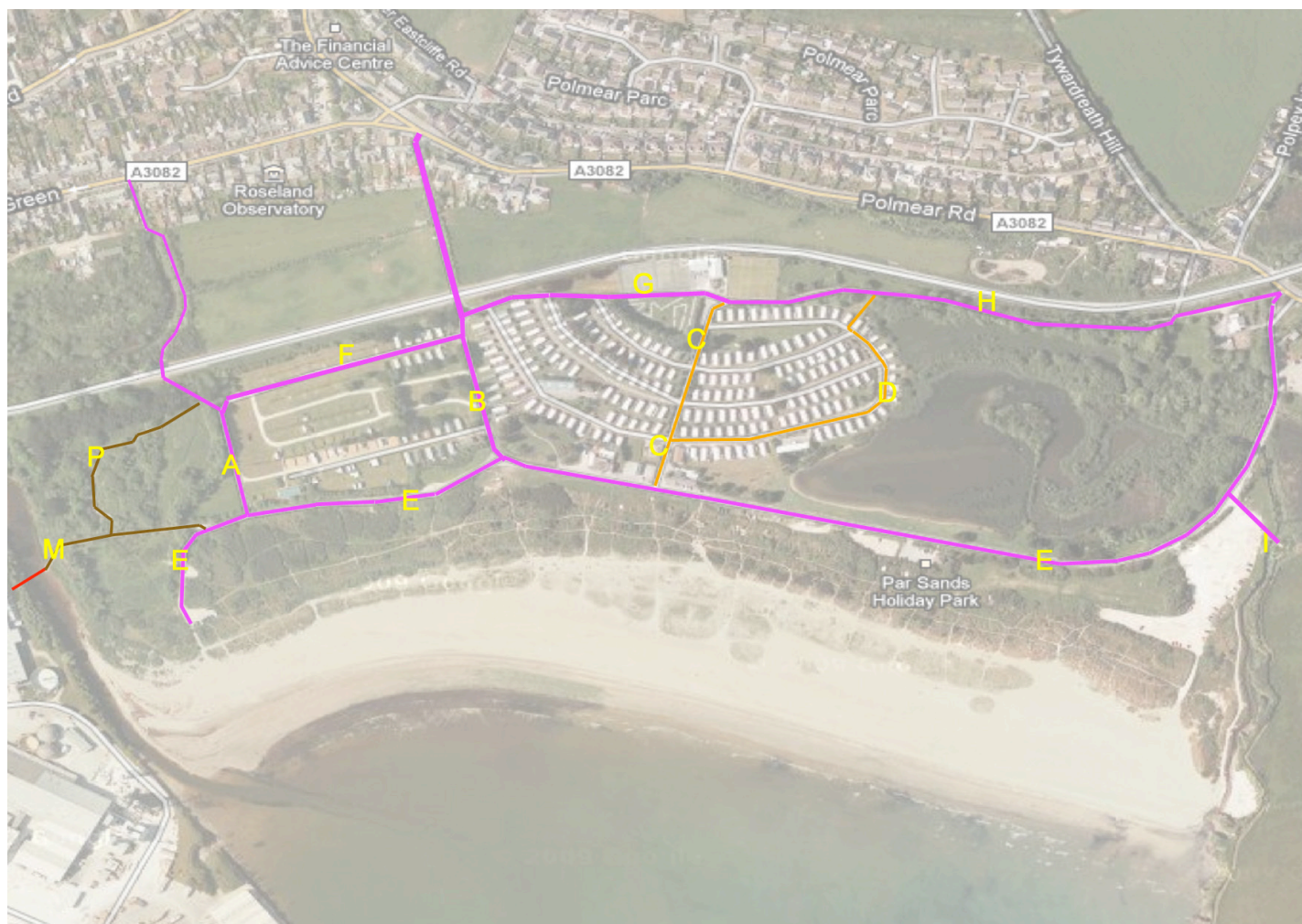
Connect the above path to the dunes (Letter “B”)

Par Green from ACT Estate Agents down to the dunes (Letter “A”)

From the Bowling Green down to the dunes (Letter “C”)

From the West end to join the JAG path (Letter “F”)

Path from Coast Path to main access road (Letter “I”)



It was also noted that there is no disabled access across the Haul Road from JAG as the gate is kept locked or from the West car park, which is in a bad state of repair and needs improving, especially as this is the only car park from which the sea may be viewed from a car (many people are unable to walk far or at all). The importance of the west car park was highlighted by a number of people throughout the evening.

It should also be stressed that people are parking on the grass verges because they do not want to park in the main car park as it is in a very poor state and riddled with deep potholes. It is in need of immediate attention.

EDITED TO ADD – the Parish Council Environment Committee are now thinking along the same lines as us and our members wrt public rights of way. Above is a map showing in pink, the routes important to FoPB members, this map and a letter will be heading to Cornwall Council asap and the Parish Council will be doing similarly.

Events/Activities

The suggested event “Night with the Stars” scored very well as something members would like to participate in. There was a debate about how much we should charge, and in the end it was agreed that members should pay just pay £3 and non-members £5 to participate. Brian Sheen from the Roseland Observatory would run this for us. He has suggested an indoor and an outdoor programme, both of which sound excellent. JIJ will contact Brian asap and set something up.

Other suggestions for events were talks on local history, a folk dance/ceilidh, “When I was a lad” type talks, where people get together and talk about their past in the local area.

Volunteering

Various people including Mark Whittaker have volunteered to organise social, wildlife and photography events. KB will contact them to form an Events Committee with him as lead member assisted by MO.

12 people have volunteered to help with leaflet distribution, and Karen Ouzman has volunteered to help with lots of things, including carrying out a survey on the West car_park.

Other people have also given their details to Michelle and she will contact them further to see how they could be utilised.

Conservation

As on 10th March, people seemed to be most interested in being involved with/taking part in the following:

Beginners’ Bird Walk

Beginners’ Plant Walk

Fungi Forays

Litter Picks

Talk/visit on the Industrial Archaeology of Par Docks (Imerys to run this)

Par Beach Wildlife talks

Par beach Marine Life talks
