

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING COMMITTEE	8 OCTOBER 2020	AGENDA ITEM: 14
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TOWN TRAIL

Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to provide Members of the Economic Development & Planning Committee with responses received from BBLP in respect of a number of questions previously asked in relation to the Town Trail.

Detailed Information

At a meeting of the Committee held in February 2020 the Clerk was asked to contact Herefordshire Council with a view to them providing information in respect of the Town Trail as follows:

1. What is the current programme of inspection and maintenance of the Town Trail?

The Ledbury Town Trail is not an adopted highway and is not maintained in accordance with the Highways Maintenance Plan. It is an open space owned by Herefordshire Council.

2. What was the date of the last work carried out on the Town Trail, and what work was carried out?

If it is a question regarding the improvement or repair of the surface condition then I am unable to answer this. However, a dilapidated handrail and posts were recently replaced which lead down from the Town Trail to Loden Brook.

3. What plans, if any, are in place or to be put in place in respect of the maintenance of the Town Trail to ensure the safety of the Trail once the proposed development is completed? (viaduct development).

As stated in item 1 the Town Trail is not maintained accordingly to the HMP however, if there are any safety defects raised such as a fallen tree causing an obstruction or danger, an overflowing litter bin, a dangerous handrail/posts then these can be actioned accordingly.

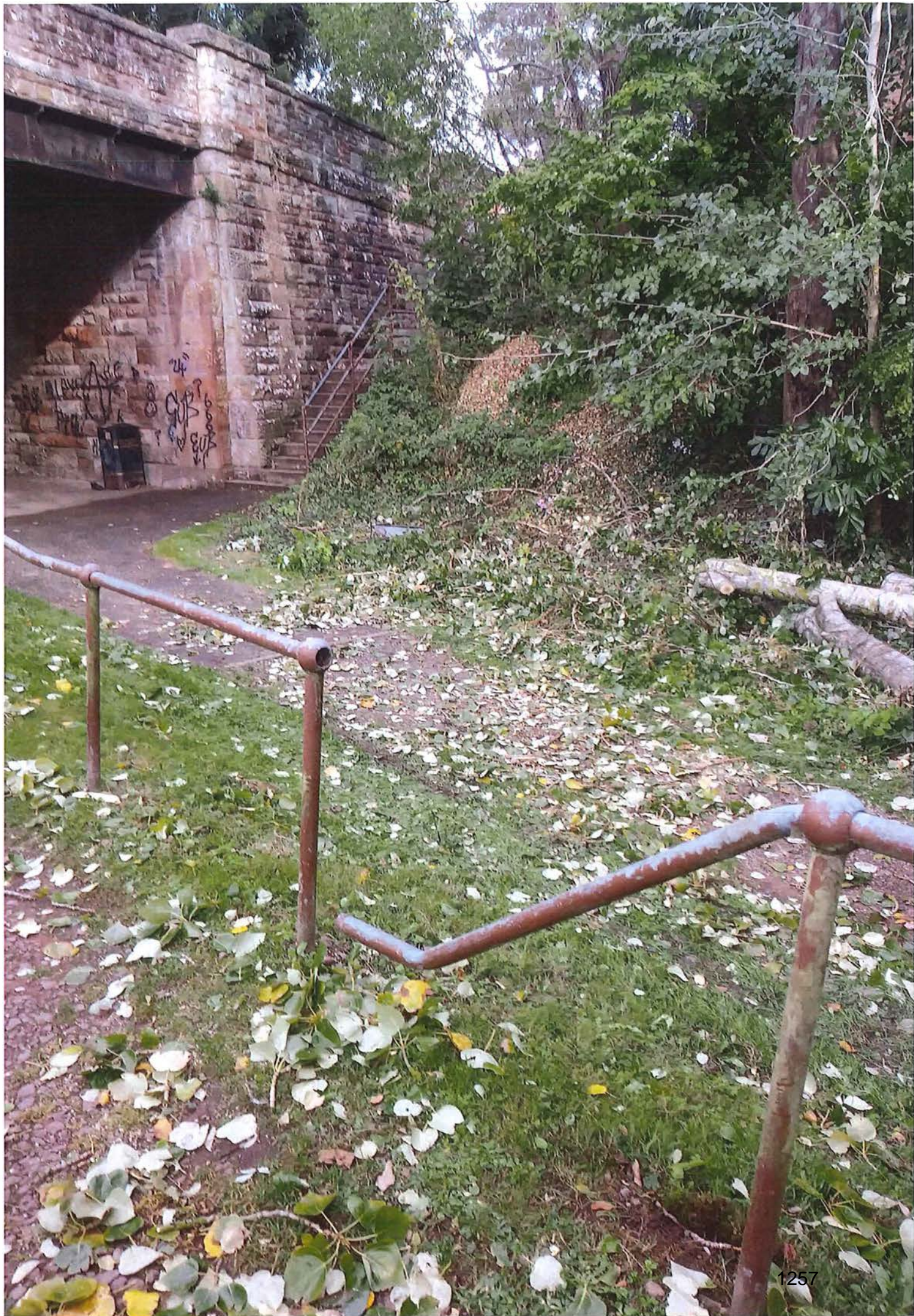
In addition to the above information the Clerk recently received some photographs of the Town Trail that clearly show areas of the Trail that need attention, but that would indicate that whilst the work required would fall into the category as described in three above, it is not being carried out. Office staff have previously been made aware of some of these issues and have reported them directly to BBLP. However, as the Town Trail is not classified as a PROW the issues cannot be reported via the portal.

Recommendation

Members are requested to give consideration to the above responses and information and consider a way forward in respect of maintenance of the Town Trail.



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BRIDGE STREET →



No.3 fencing near full P.tdler



4 Steps to Riverside walk





Photo 6
Recreation Ground

