



Maybe you have highlighted local paths as an action point in your parish plan? Or you already have an active path group in your parish?

Whatever your interest in helping to improve and promote parish paths, the Countryside Access Team would like to hear from you.



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County Council

PPI **Parish Paths Initiative**

Involving local communities in caring for the Public Rights of Way network in their parish

A partnership between parish and town councils, community groups, landowners, Cumbria County Council and other related organisations



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Parish and town councils and associated community groups can apply for a grant of up to £1000 per year to help organise improvements to local paths by:

Improving access - replacing stiles with accessible gates, clearing vegetation, waymarking and improving path surfaces



Promotion - leaflets, interpretation panels and map boards



Features - for example providing seating at viewpoints along popular routes



Parishes can choose to improve and promote just a few regularly used routes or the whole parish paths network - the level of involvement is up to you

Parishes can employ a contractor to carry out works, organise a group of parish volunteers to get involved or a combination of both

The grant is available for activities in connection with Public Rights of Way only and can pay:

100% towards

- Material costs and labour provided by contractors
- Purchase or hire of tools including strimmers
- Safety equipment and insurance
- Training for parish volunteers

50% towards seating, the production of leaflets and other interpretation materials like map boards and panels

