

When I started walking in the Woods in 2001, the path in Wood 1, behind the houses in Whirlowdale Crescent, looked like this.



It now has a hard, all-weather surface, and no mud. Done by FEW about 2003, and redone in 2007.

The path running from Abbey Lane's lowest point, along the backs of the houses on Sherwood Glen, was a sea of mud, constantly widening. With the aid of a grant from Evolve, and BTCV (as it was), FEW resurfaced this path in 2007. Householders on Sherwood Glen were worried about flooding, so a boardwalk was designed and built.



Recently, many of the old drains have been cleared by FEW, so excess water flows away easily.



And this is the footpath group, getting ready on 9 April. They aren't all there yet.



Recently, I had an email:

Dear Friends of Ecclesall Woods

I am an artist/ designer living locally and very much appreciate the work you do in keeping the woods so lovely. I regularly to walk my dog there and some of my prints are inspired by them. As a thank you, I wondered if you would like one of my limited edition prints? I thought you could raffle or auction it to get a little bit of money to add to your funds?

A hardly-earned tribute to the footpath group.

The print will be raffled at the AGM, in November 2013.