

# RIGHTS OF WAY CONDITION SURVEY

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# Aims of the survey

- To gather data on the whole network for the first time to:
  - Inform an asset management / lifecycle approach to network management
  - Inform the hierarchical approach to network management
  - Specify improvements that can be delivered through Placed Based Planning
  - Inform the process of effective Community Consultations on priorities
  - Improve forward planning for maintenance and enforcement works and developments



### Delivery of the Survey

- Phase 2 of the Parish Access Project has included delivery of the survey over the first two years of the (planned) five year programme
- Two officers are carrying out the survey alongside delivering the practical improvements that are ongoing in Broseley, Much Wenlock and Barrow this year
- The survey is delivered through the use of hand held data loggers that directly input the data onto our CAMS system



### What data is Collected?

- Every path is walked and the following data is collected:
- Furniture
  - Presence/absence of furniture is noted with an accurate GPS location
  - Condition and potential lifecycle of the furniture is noted
  - Any issues with the furniture or lack of it are noted
  - Photos of the furniture/issue are taken if required



#### Used Line

- The used line is noted using the GPS
- Any deviation from the definitive line is noted and recorded
- Any furniture that is off line is noted for future reference



#### Other Issues

- Specific surface information is collected and logged where required i.e. where there is an issue with the surface or it will require future maintenance
- Other issues such as obstructions, overgrowth or the need for annual vegetation cutting are noted with a GPS location and photo.



#### Route information

- Once walked the route is assessed against the Best Value Performance Indicator (BVPI 178) that gives a score for its accessibility.
- The route is then also checked against its pre set priority category to ensure that it is in the correct category. The surveyor can also suggest promotion or demotion of this score if appropriate.
- This can include logging a route as having a development potential as if improved it could improve connectivity or be a promoted route



## Programme for the survey

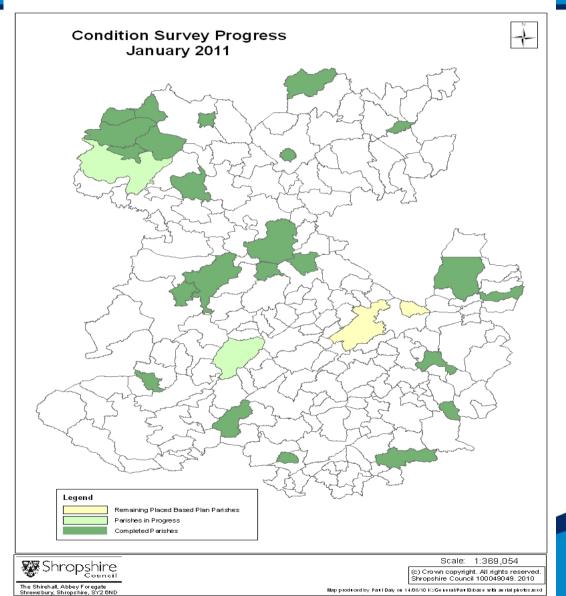
- There are three priorities for the survey at present:
  - Oswestry and surrounding parishes to inform developments connected to Active Oswestry
  - Specific information around Oswestry and Shrewsbury as these are identified as development growth points.
  - Urban centres and Market Towns to inform potential Place Based Plan funded developments



## Progress

- Some pilot parishes were completed to ensure the hard/software worked
- Also the practical works for this year had to be negotiated and set to contractors before the survey started.
- The survey proper therefore started in September
- The following map shows progress to date which totals approximately 700 km of route surveyed







### Any Questions?