

TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF PART OF PUBLIC FOOTPATH RLY 44 (PART OF WYE VALLEY WALK) (LYDBROOK PARISH) (FOREST OF DEAN DISTRICT) AND PUBLIC FOOTPATH WBK 4a (PART OF WYE VALLEY WALK) (GOODRICH & WELSH BICKNOR PARISH (HEREFORDSHIRE COUNTY))

NOTICE is hereby given that the Secretary of State for Transport has further extended the Order to close temporarily under Sections 14, 15 and 16 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act, 1984 (as amended) part of Public Footpath RLY 44 (Part of the Wye Valley Walk) & WBK 4a (Part of the Wye Valley Walk) as described in the Schedule below

Schedule

Public Footpath RLY 44 (Part of the Wye Valley Walk) from its junction with RLY 1 at Ordnance Survey Grid Reference (OSGR) SO 58723/17656 in a generally north easterly direction for approximately 67 metres to its junction with Public Footpath WBK 4a at OSGR SO 58722/17695 and shown on the Map by a bold solid black line marked A to B.

Public Footpath WBK 4a (Part of the Wye Valley Walk) from its junction with Public Footpath RLY 44 at OSGR SO 58722/17695 in a generally north easterly direction for approximately 45 metres to its junction with WBK 4 at OSGR SO 58734/17742 and shown on the Map by a bold solid black line marked B to C.

The Footpaths fall within the Parish of Lydbrook Forest of Dean District and the Parish of Goodrich & Welsh Bicknor, Herefordshire County

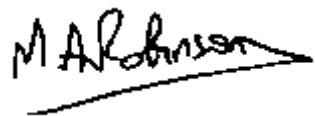
The closure is necessary to safeguard the health and safety of the public due to the bridge being unsafe.

The Footpaths were originally closed for 21 days, by Emergency Notice from 15th April 2026, and subsequently a Temporary Closure Order was made.

This said Order came into force on the 6th May 2026, and was expected to end on the 15th October 2026, being a period of six months from the date of the original Notice, which was 15th April 2026. However, the works have still not been completed and the Secretary of State has granted an extension until 15th April 2028 or until the works are complete, whichever is earliest.

Alternative Route – There is no suggested alternative route. Wye Valley Walk information on www.wyevalleywalk.org/walk or detail here <https://www.wyevalley-nl.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/Wye-Valley-Walk-Diversion-Lydbrook-Bridge-2025-Autumn-2025-with-map.docx>



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