COALEY - FROCESTER (Hunter Fields) Aug 2010 and NOW

After consulting with Rights of Way Officers, Julian, on behalf of local riders, approached the landowner, Dave, and offered to pay for new latches on four gates. The landowner responded by asking for only half of the cost, and said that he would do the work. WOW! When it came to looking at it in detail, Dave decided to replace one gate completely. As a farmer with an account, he was also able to get a slightly better deal than the riders could have, and could reclaim the VAT. Several riders clubbed together for their share of the money - and just look at the results



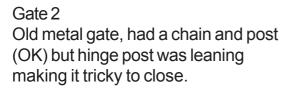
Gate 1 - Change difficult spring bolt for Rider Latch. The gate already hangs well and opens wide and easily.

Also remove small bush at head end and put a rail across.

Done >







Brand new 5 foot gate, to British Standard, with Rider Latch Done >







Gate 3 Again, a difficult spring bolt. New Rider Latch required.

Done > (Also new closing post)



Gate 4
Another spring bolt new Rider Latch required and clear the
brambles at "horse's head" end.

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Julian and Fran asked MCTTG for help on this bridleway.

We contacted Rights of Way, and all walked it together, making a "wish list" as we went.

Subsequently, two gates were supplied by PROW and installed by Cotswold Wardens at the Frocester end (as reported in the last newsletter), and the landowner here has also cut back an overgrown hedge and removed some dangerous wire and posts; and these 4 gates have been re-done by the landowner and local riders at the Coaley end.

GREAT RESULTS!