



LOSELEY PARK

PRESS RELEASE

Statement Regarding Closure of Permissive Footpath

The Loseley Estate confirms that the permissive footpath on land at The Mount/Hoggs Back has now been closed.

The route was always provided on a permissive basis, meaning public access was granted at the landowner's discretion rather than as a permanent public right of way. Following careful consideration, the closure has been implemented to support land management requirements, safety, privacy, and the long-term stewardship of the estate.

In particular, the tenant farmer needs to farm the land fully up to the field boundaries. This is essential to maintain the viability of the holding and to ensure the land can be managed efficiently and safely.

We recognise that the path has been valued by many local residents, particularly during the COVID-19 lockdown period, and we appreciate the strength of feeling expressed by the community. This decision has not been taken lightly. Our priority is to ensure the land can be managed responsibly while balancing environmental, operational, and privacy considerations.

Walkers are encouraged to continue enjoying the extensive network of existing public footpaths and bridleways in the surrounding area, many of which offer views across countryside within the local Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB).

We remain committed to being a considerate neighbour and to constructive engagement with local stakeholders. In response to feedback, with local residents wishing to enjoy the views, the Estate will be creating three new viewing points from a slightly elevated position adjacent to the existing public right of way (see attached plan) that has a much more suitable surface. Seating will be installed at the central viewpoint to allow visitors to rest and enjoy the surrounding landscape. We will continue to work with the local community to support access to the beautiful Surrey Hills.

These works are expected to be completed within the next one to two months, subject to ground conditions.

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