

The Chiltern Society

# The Rights of Way Group (ROWG)



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GO THIS WAY'

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# How to volunteer

## ■ ROWG COMMITTEE

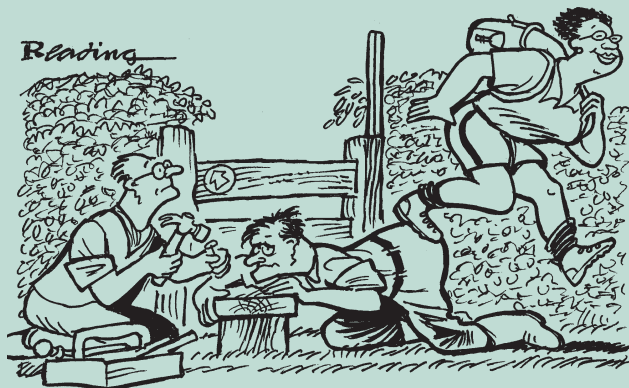
Area Secretaries, together with the ROWG Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Secretary elected annually at the Group's Annual General Meeting, normally in September or October, and the coopted officers with special responsibilities already mentioned, constitute the ROWG Committee, which co-ordinates the Group's affairs, acts on the Society's behalf in proposing or responding to possible legislative or other developments relating to rights of way, and does all it can to promote access to the countryside.

## ■ PATH MAINTENANCE VOLUNTEERS



The Group's Path Maintenance Volunteers, limited to about 40 in total at any one time, carry out path maintenance and improvement by way of assistance to local authorities. Work meetings on a weekly

basis cover most of the year. Dates, which vary between the days Monday to Friday are notified well in advance, but it is left to each individual to decide which sessions to attend. A session normally takes the form of a morning's work followed, for those who wish it, by lunch together locally. The work to be carried out varies according to the needs in particular locations but may typically involve clearing paths of fallen trees, growth, and other obstructions; waymarking the route, sometimes by erecting waymark posts; and improving their safety or convenience, for example by providing steps on awkward stretches, and building, renovating, or, where it is so agreed, removing stiles. A variety of tools and machines are used, and training given in their proper use.



We are always delighted to hear from Society members who would like, now or in the future, to engage in any of the work we do – we regard it as both useful and fun and very little of it demands previous experience. Those interested in volunteering to assist the ROWG should contact its Chairman or Secretary as shown on the Directory on this site.



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