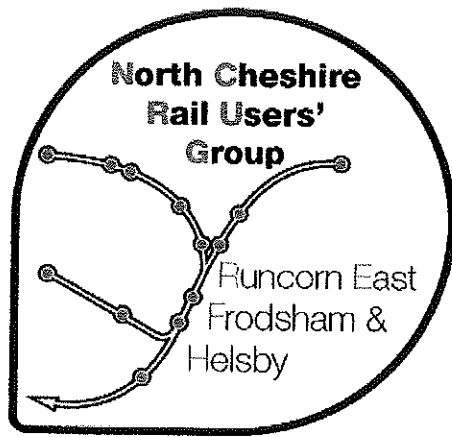


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Monitoring Rail Services & the Travelling Environment

Please reply to:- Cedric Green, Secretary NCRUG, [REDACTED]

Phone: [REDACTED] - Email: [REDACTED]

The Town Clerk,
Frodsham Town Council,
Castle Park,
Frodsham, WA6 6SB

29th March 2017

Dear Sir,

Re: **Blue Hatch Footpath - Designated FP110**

We are concerned about the condition of this footpath which gives entry to Frodsham station via the station car park.

There is a street light at the top of the path which illuminates a small portion of the path which leads to the end of Blue Hatch. However, the street light is severely obscured by mature trees thus making it ineffective in lighting up any of the steep portion of path running down to the station car park.

Furthermore, the station car park at the eastward end is unlit and pot-holed making it a trip hazard in the dark. The lack of lighting creates security fears as the area is surrounded by trees and not overlooked by any of the nearby properties.

Apart from the trip hazards, the lack of perceived safety along the path is a disincentive for people, especially lone women, to walk to or from the station at night.

This matter was brought to the attention of Cheshire West & Chester Council, (CWaC), some 4 years ago; a little token branch removal was done on the nearby trees but this had little overall effect. The matter was raised again earlier this year with CWaC to which they responded by stating that CWaC does not have the budget for any new lighting schemes and that the Town Council should be approached.

We understand that Frodsham Town Council is the designated lighting authority and should be glad, therefore, if you would give this matter consideration as the present situation presents a serious hazard and is an accident or incident waiting to happen.

We look forward to hearing favourably from you.

Yours faithfully,

Cedric Green