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Bridleways. Signpost. Veal's Farm

How long does it take to move a sign-post on a bridleway just 45 degrees from one angle to another?

Answer: 15- years

If you are East Sussex County Council and if the sign-post is at Veal's Farm, Ripe. For 15-years riders coming up to Veal's Farm have seen the signpost and followed the direction it is pointing which then took them along a narrow six-foot wide path, so close to the edge of a fishing lake that over the years a number of horses have stumbled, been spooked by fishermen flicking their rods in the air or tripped over fishing tackle on the ground that they have ended up in the water.



Now, at last, the Council has decided to take action. They are going to move the sign-post those vital 45 degrees so that it points in the direction of the proper bridlepath, which runs about 200 metres along the private driveway to Veal's Farm. Says local farmer, rider and founder of the recently launched Low Weald Bridleways Action Group, Nick Coleman, "Some people told me it could never be done. But we've done it."

