

POOR MAN'S PIECE

REPORT FOR THE PARISH OPEN MEETING – 2nd APRIL 2026

The transformation of Poor Man's Piece from an uneconomic sheep grazing field to a Parish heritage asset is now complete.

Summarising the journey:

- The Charity's objects were amended with Charities Commission consent
- A Crowdfunder and other activities raised over £2,000 in 2024
- Diseased ash trees were removed
- Drainage was improved and a new entranceway created – many thanks to Josh Fry and his team for carrying out this project
- Nature boxes and habitats were installed
- 2 benches sponsored by David and Jean Martin and Paul Sachs afford great views across the valley
- Signage – sponsored by Nicky May – explains the 300+ year history of the site
- An opening event last August attracted about 50 people
- Fruit trees and hedge thickening saplings have since been planted, sponsored by 5 parishioners.

You can see the main features of the site on the attached plan.

Please enjoy a wander round the winding path or take in the view from the benches in peaceful, historic and environmentally friendly surroundings.

This is an appropriate time to acknowledge the massive contribution that Trustee Anna Snellgrove and her family have made in creating this community space in the heart of our village.

The Trustees of Poor Man's Piece, April 2026.

