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REPAIRS TO KNARESBOROUGH CASTLE PATHS AND RAILINGS

The council's parks and open spaces section is part way through a safety inspection of all walls, railings and footpaths in and around the district's parks and open spaces. The programme is on schedule but following concerns raised by Knaresborough Town Council regarding Knaresborough Castle, the date for the inspection of this site was brought forward.

The work has been undertaken by consultants who have identified that one wall and two sets of railings are in need of urgent repair.

This has led to the temporary closure of some of the footpaths including one leading down to the Waterside, but pedestrians can still gain access to and from the castle grounds using another path that has been re-opened. It had been anticipated that the path leading down to the Moat would have to be closed because of concerns over the railings. However, this is not the case and the path has been re-opened and can be used while repairs are carried out to the railings.

Mr Patrick Kilburn, Head of Parks and Open Spaces, said: “Staff from the council's building management team are now on site to sort out the repairs needed to make the wall and railings secure. This is not a large nor an expensive job and the work is to be carried out quickly.” ENDS

FURTHER INFORMATION: is available from Mr Patrick Kilburn, Head of Parks and Open Spaces on 01423 556704.