

NOTICE- Concerning Strong Park Paths (See photo of path damage below)

On October 21, 2024, the Town Council unanimously determined that the Town has both the legal right and responsibility to ensure that the pathways in Strong Park are maintained in safe and ADA compliant manner. Following this decision, our Public Works Superintendent conducted an assessment of the lower section of the pathway and found it to be unsafe and hazardous. As a result, the Town has temporarily closed the affected pathways until necessary improvements can be completed to address these safety concerns.

*Although this property is owned by the Museum, the specific area in question has been part of the Town's official park system since the 1990s. Consequently, it is the Town who bears both legal and financial responsibility for any incidents that may occur in regard to the paths. **This safety fencing was placed by the Town of Cathlamet and is the property of the Town of Cathlamet. Damage to the fencing will be considered Malicious Mischief, a criminal offense pursuant to Chapter 9A of the Revised Code of Washington. Violators will be referred for prosecution.***

Please note that Town staff are unable to provide additional comments or updates regarding this matter at this time. We kindly request that you refrain from engaging with staff in a confrontational manner. While we understand your frustration, staff members are not in a position to address these concerns. Inappropriate, vulgar, or insulting comments directed toward staff will result in you being told to leave our office.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.