

# New Path - Unbound Surface

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## Aim

The aim of this item is to construct a path for non-motorised public use, with a gravel-type core base and a whin-dust type surface, to provide a robust and comfortable path for a full range of user types.

## Eligibility

Any land is eligible.

## Requirements

If ground is hard and well drained, construct standard 'full tray' path:

- dig out a rectangular section 'full tray' to at least 100 millimetres depth
- fill with Type 1 core base material – 100 millimetres depth and compact / roll
- add surfacing layer of whinstone or granite dust – 25 millimetres depth and compact / roll

If ground is soft or poorly drained, construct a 'half-tray' with geotextile path:

- dig out at least 50 millimetres deep, and use arisings to build edging
- line with geotextile; also with geogrid if ground is very soft or wet
- fill with Type 1 core base material – 100 millimetres depth and compact / roll
- add surfacing layer of whinstone or granite dust – 25 millimetres depth and compact / roll

Other details:

- path width will normally be 1.8 metres
- depending on anticipated levels of user numbers and two-way traffic of mixed user types, narrower or greater widths may be acceptable as justified, within the range 1.2 metres minimum to 2.5 metres maximum width. Payment will be adjusted for width pro-rata on the square metre basis
- you must take and retain for inspection, dated photographic evidence of the construction phase, to include the works below ground level, with a scale / ruler included to show depths of tray / base layer / surface layer at least every 100 metres

## Payment

You can claim £18.20 per square metre.

## Inspections

The inspectors will check:

- the location and extent of the work

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## Recent changes

Section	Change
Requirements and Inspections	Change of requirement from keeping a diary to retaining photographic evidence.

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