

ROUNDBOUT VERWOOD

PAST and PRESENT

Railway Bridge, Three Legged Cross

Early 1900's looking south

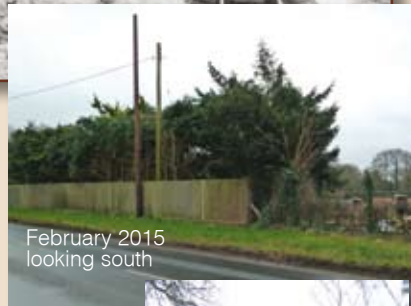


The old photo above was taken from the Railway bridge on the Horton Road, since demolished and looking south.

The Horton Road rose sharply to cross over the single track railway line running towards West Moors. Those travelling north to the junction from West Moors had no vision whatsoever of any traffic coming over the hill from the left of the road.

Driving past this spot today, it's difficult to believe that the landscape has changed so much. Looking south, the same view from the same viewpoint since the bridge has long gone, is obviously impossible and it is very difficult to see any evidence that a railway was once here especially since the view is blocked by a fence and high hedge.

But there is slightly more evidence to see across the road looking north. The track of the old line is still visible albeit pretty overgrown and clearly ran lower than the road. There is also a distinctive Southern Region reinforced concrete fence post to be seen, many thousands of which were manufactured at the Southern Railway's Exmouth concrete works together with all manner of other railway structures.



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looking south



February 2015
looking north



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Railway evidence.