

Waverley Cycle Forum - 10/10/17

In attendance:

Martin Archer	MA	Godalming Cycling Campaign
Cllr Maurice Byham	MB	Waverley Borough Council - Busbridge, Bramley
Matthew Ellis	ME	Waverley Borough Council - Planning
Kieran Foster	KF	Cycling UK / Local Access Forum
Thomas Lankester	TL	Transition Town Farnham
Chris Meeks	CM	Friends of the Earth Waverley
Richard Mcllwraith	RM	Godalming Cycling Campaign
David Moxon	DM	Godalming Cycling Campaign/Elstead resident
Myra Newnes-Smith	MNS	Representing Witley Parish Council
Harry Noyes	HN	Alfold resident
Chris Peck	CP	Chair
Cllr Penny Rivers	PR	Surrey County Council - Godalming North
Cllr Angela Richardson	AR	Cranleigh Parish Council
Becky Willson	BW	Surrey County Council - Transport Strategy

Apologies

Cllr Andrew Povey - Surrey County Council

Cllr Richard Seaborne - Waverley Borough Council

Cllr Nikki Barton - Haslemere Town Council

1. Minutes from 13/7/17

No comments.

2. Waverley Local Plan Part 1, Part 2 and ongoing relevance of the Waverley Cycle Plan SPD

Clarification was sought on the status of various documents:

- A. The Waverley Cycle Plan SPD was created in 2005 as an adjunct to the 2002 Waverley Plan. The document is referenced in Waverley's emerging Local Plan Part 1 (page H-2). The 2005 SPD is very out of date, referencing old and superseded strategy documents, however, it includes a list of schemes very few of which have been achieved and which are still relevant.
- B. The similarly titled Waverley Cycle Plan (December 2016) lists a few 'quick wins', and was submitted by BW to the Local Committee and approved, albeit with only £10,000 allocated to develop the ideas. This document was created as a consequence of the Surrey Transport Plan,

and the supporting Surrey Cycling Strategy. Progress on the 'quick win' schemes were discussed in Item 4.

- C. The Waverley Infrastructure Delivery Plan is a further document that accompanies the Local Plan Part 1 and cross references the Waverley Cycle Forum and the Waverley Cycle Plan (Dec 2016).

ME explained that the Waverley Cycle Plan SPD refresh should follow the update to the Waverley Local Plan Part 1 (Strategic sites) and Part 2 (which provides more detail). Once these are complete, and the spatial strategy better understood, the local level schemes which the Waverley Cycle SPD will become more apparent.

3. Major planning applications and their likely impact on cycling

a. Dunsfold Park - links to Alford, Dunsfold and Cranleigh

BW explained that she, CP and HN had met to examine the proposed and potential routes between the Dunsfold Park site and Cranleigh, as well as another route (currently not included in the S106 plans) between Dunsfold Park and Alford through the Springbok Estate.

CP and HN will continue to work up a proposal to improve the schemes suggested by the developer and agreed with Surrey County Council. Many of these routes are too narrow (2m wide) and inappropriately include sections on narrow, busy country roads.

b. Cranleigh (Knowle Lane)/Horsham Road - improvement of Downs Link

MB explained that the Horsham Road development had agreed to pay for a resurfacing and improvement of the Downs Link from the south of Cranleigh (near the site) into the village centre.

4. Progress report on the Waverley Cycling Plan (1/11/16 version)

No significant developments have taken place on implementing the quick wins identified in the November 2016 list agreed by the Local Committee.

[NB - subsequently CP has found that one planning application has come forward in Godalming which includes two of these quick wins as possible items to be funded through a S106 agreement]

5. Godalming-Guildford Greenway

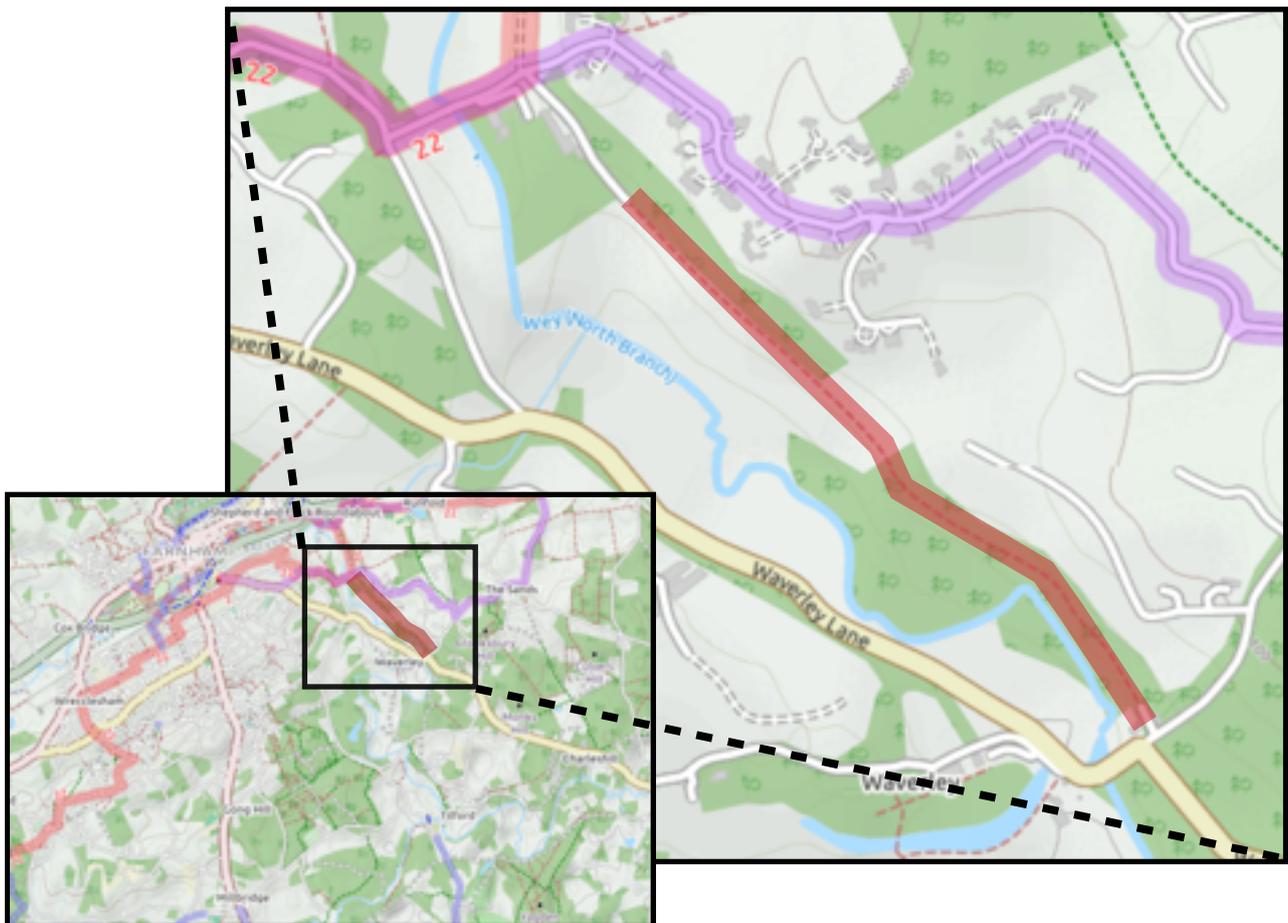
The Guildford-Godalming Greenway proposal has been developed by Godalming Cycling Campaign (GCC), led by Martyn Sandford, with agreement of G-BUG, the Guildford Cycling Forum.

This paper, which can be found here assesses the current state of the routes between Guildford and the centre of Godalming, and sketches out further links to other parts of Waverley, including Bramley (and on to Cranleigh). Much of the route is below standard, but plans to improve each section have been developed by members of GCC.

PR suggested that Councillors be involved as early as possible, to ensure that can be fully engaged and supportive.

6. Moor Park footpath alternative to B3001

KF introduced the concept: there is a plan for a long distance cycle routes (Dover to Winchester), of which the section through Moor Park is a missing link. Making the existing footpath into a bridleway or cycleway between Waverley Abbey and the edges of Farnham.



7. Treatment of cyclists on Frensham Common

DM and KF explained that a new warden (employed by Waverley) was making things difficult for cyclists on routes across Frensham Common, objecting to their use of well-established paths.

The issue has been raised through the Local Access Forum and is better off resolved through that avenue as it is principally an issue related to the designation of Rights of Way and permissive access to other paths.

8. AOB

BW drew attention to the Sustainable Movement Corridor West consultation in Guildford. This creates new routes and improves existing routes between the Surrey Research Park and the centre of Guildford.

https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/_data/assets/pdf_file/0003/143139/SMC-Consultation-ilovepdf-compressed.pdf

MNS is currently compiling a book of route suitable for off-road wheelchairs.

CP is updating the Waverley Cycle Forum website more regularly.

Next meeting

23/1/18 - 18.30 (Room to be confirmed by Matthew Ellis)