

Melbourn Greenway

Have your say on a new cycling
and walking link connecting
**Royston – Melbourn –
Harston – Cambridge**



The Greater Cambridge Greenways project aims to create a walking, cycling and equestrian travel network made up of 12 routes that will link local villages and Cambridge. Once built, it will enable people in the Greater Cambridge area to access work, services and education using sustainable modes of travel.

Public engagement

We have previously held engagement events for the Melbourn Greenway which invited people to have their say on how, where and what they would like from their local Greenway.

Reviewing feedback

The majority of the responses favoured a route away from the A10 where possible, although a significant number of people still felt that the route alongside the A10 was the most direct and convenient which are important factors when walking and cycling. People intending to use an improved route would do so for access to local services and shops as well as longer distance commuting and for leisure including visiting friends and family. The majority of those who commented would prefer a wide, smooth and continuous path surface. Other specific comments stated a preference for clear signage and lighting as well as for path continuity including provision of priority over side roads and driveways where safe to do so.

Design work

Taking this feedback into consideration, route designs and detailed plans have been developed. This leaflet aims to present you with an overview of the information and options within these designs.

Consultation

We would like your feedback on the proposals presented in this leaflet. The Greenways team also invites you to come along to the consultation events where you can speak to officers and find out more about these proposals. The event details can be found on the back of this leaflet. Alternatively, you can find more information on our website.

www.greatercambridge.org.uk/greenwaysconsultation

Final design

Final preferred options will be presented to the Executive Board and available to the public in Winter 2019. Further funding to take these routes through the detailed design and construction phase will be requested at this stage.

Designing your Greenway

We're working with the community to design the Greenways network. Here is our process:



Public invited to local engagement event to share views



Comments and feedback from public are reviewed and analysed



Using this data, initial designs are created



Designs taken to public consultation for further input



Final design created and presented to the public

3 treatment types

The Greenways network will run through many different environments. These range from quiet rural settings along field edges or country lanes to busier built-up urban locations that may have more limitations on space. Within each environment the Greenways project aims to deliver a safe, attractive and cost effective sustainable travel route which users can enjoy all year round.

A Greenway design will take one of three forms in response to the local environmental context. These 'Greenway Treatments' listed below are guidelines and it may not be possible to meet these standards in all locations; here more bespoke solutions may be necessary.

Greenway Treatments

A. Quiet Road

A Greenway route on the carriageway could have speed limits reduced to 20mph. White painted signage could be added to the carriageway where appropriate.

Where there is no existing footpath, signage may be used to warn motorists that this is a multi-use route.

B. Shared use path

A 3 metre wide path with a 2 metre grassy strip running parallel.

Where the path runs beside the carriageway a green verge will separate the path from the road, this will be as wide as possible.

C. Protected path

A 3 metre wide path with features that separate cyclists and pedestrians. Where possible, as much protection from the carriageway will be applied, this may include grass verges or shrubs.

Signage

Greenway specific wayfinding marker posts could be placed at regular intervals and junctions. These would probably display a Greenways logo, abbreviated route name and direction of travel.

Costings

All cost estimates are indicative and do not include any overhead costs. They are indicated for comparison purposes only.

Maintenance

Early engagement indicates that route maintenance should be made a priority. Maintenance packages are being planned for each route individually.

Surfacing

Generally, routes would be made from a hard, smooth surface. In special cases we will work with local stakeholders to create an appropriate alternative.

Fibre optic networks

Under many cycle routes in the county we are installing fibre ducting to enable improvements to data networks. All of our future Greenway routes will now include this as a default.

Lighting

Solar studs could be used at specific points to aid wayfinding in low light. These are less visually intrusive than overhead lights.



A



B



C





2 A10 towards Royston

- New shared use path on the eastern side of the A10.



3 London Way

- New smooth surface to be added to the existing quiet track in a material sympathetic to the local chalk geology, maintaining the central grass strip and sustainable for farm vehicles.



Royston

A10

Melbourn

Meldreth

Grinnel Hill

Key

- Treatment A
- Treatment B
- Treatment C
- Other routes
- Bridleway (recognised equestrian route)
- 1 Consultation question
- ➔ Greenway connections
- a Proposed solar studs

1 A10 Roundabout, Royston

- New pedestrian and cycle bridge over A505 to link new shared path and existing cycle path in Royston.

Subject to agreements with Hertfordshire County Council.

4 Junction of Royston Road, High Street and Back Lane

- Short section of off-road shared use path to bypass junction and transition onto the High Street via a raised table junction.

5 Melbourn High Street

- Reduce speed limit to 20mph along the High Street and remove centre line where it exists.
- Implement locally-led public realm scheme at the junction of the High Street and Station Road with improved facilities for pedestrians and cyclists.
- This scheme could include an improved path towards Meldreth Station.

6 Melbourn Science Park

- New path alignment including an improved crossing at the entrance to the Science Park.
- An informal crossing of Cambridge Road with a new central island refuge to allow for a more coherent transition from the shared use footway to the on road link through Melbourn village.



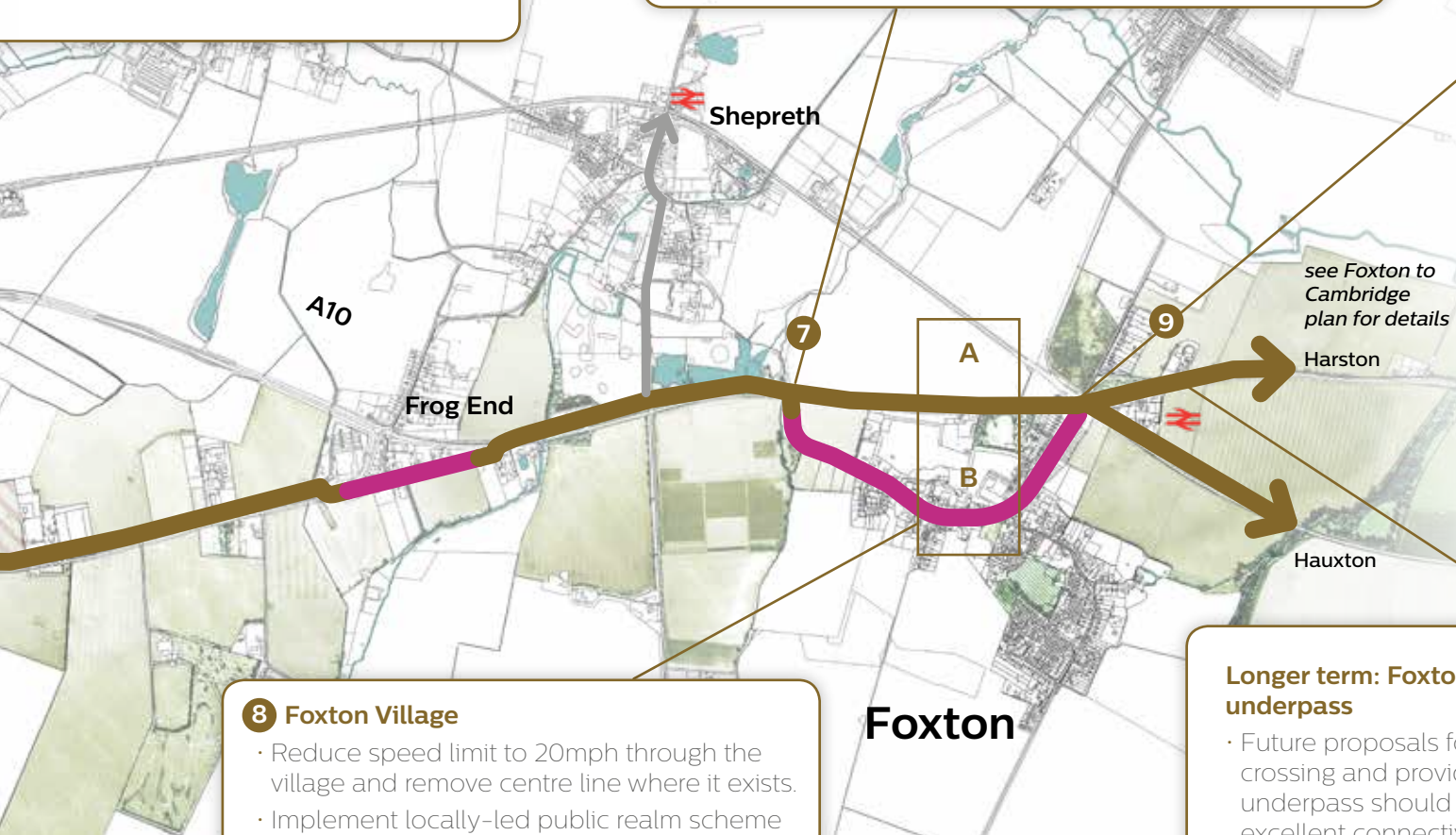
7 A10 junction with Foxton

- New informal crossing and shared path providing access to Shepreth Road from the recently improved path along the A10.

9 Foxton Level Crossing

- Reduce speed limit to 30mph.
- Create continuous shared-use path along the western edge of the carriageway - joining up with existing shared-use paths either side of the level crossing.
- Reconfigure the junction of Station Road and the A10. Provide a new uncontrolled crossing with a central island and a raised table on Station Road.

Subject to network rail approval.



8 Foxton Village

- Reduce speed limit to 20mph through the village and remove centre line where it exists.
- Implement locally-led public realm scheme at the junction of the High Street and Station Road. This could include localised changes to kerb alignments, surfacing of road and pavements, seating and planting.

Longer term: Foxton railway bridge/underpass

- Future proposals for closing the level crossing and providing a highway over- or underpass should be designed to ensure excellent connectivity for pedestrians and cyclists along the A10, and to and from the station and the village.



10 Route A - Through the fields west of Harston

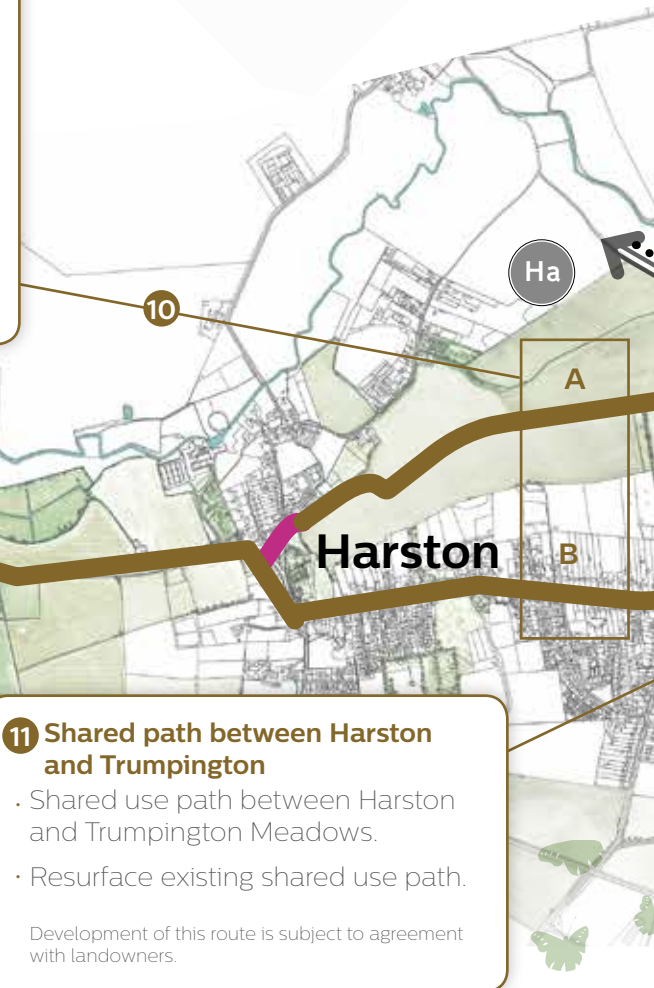
- Route along Church Lane, The footpath, and a new shared-use track along field edges and the former water treatment site, to a new bridge over the river Cam, linking to the existing path through Trumpington Meadows Country Park.

Development of this route is subject to agreement with landowners.



Route B - Through Harston

- Utilising the recently created shared-use path through Harston village, with targeted improvements to deal with bottlenecks such as widening the path at Hauxton Mill Bridge by removing the existing hatched central strip.



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Foxton

see Foxton to Melbourn plan for details

11 Shared path between Harston and Trumpington

- Shared use path between Harston and Trumpington Meadows.
- Resurface existing shared use path.

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13 A - Village Route

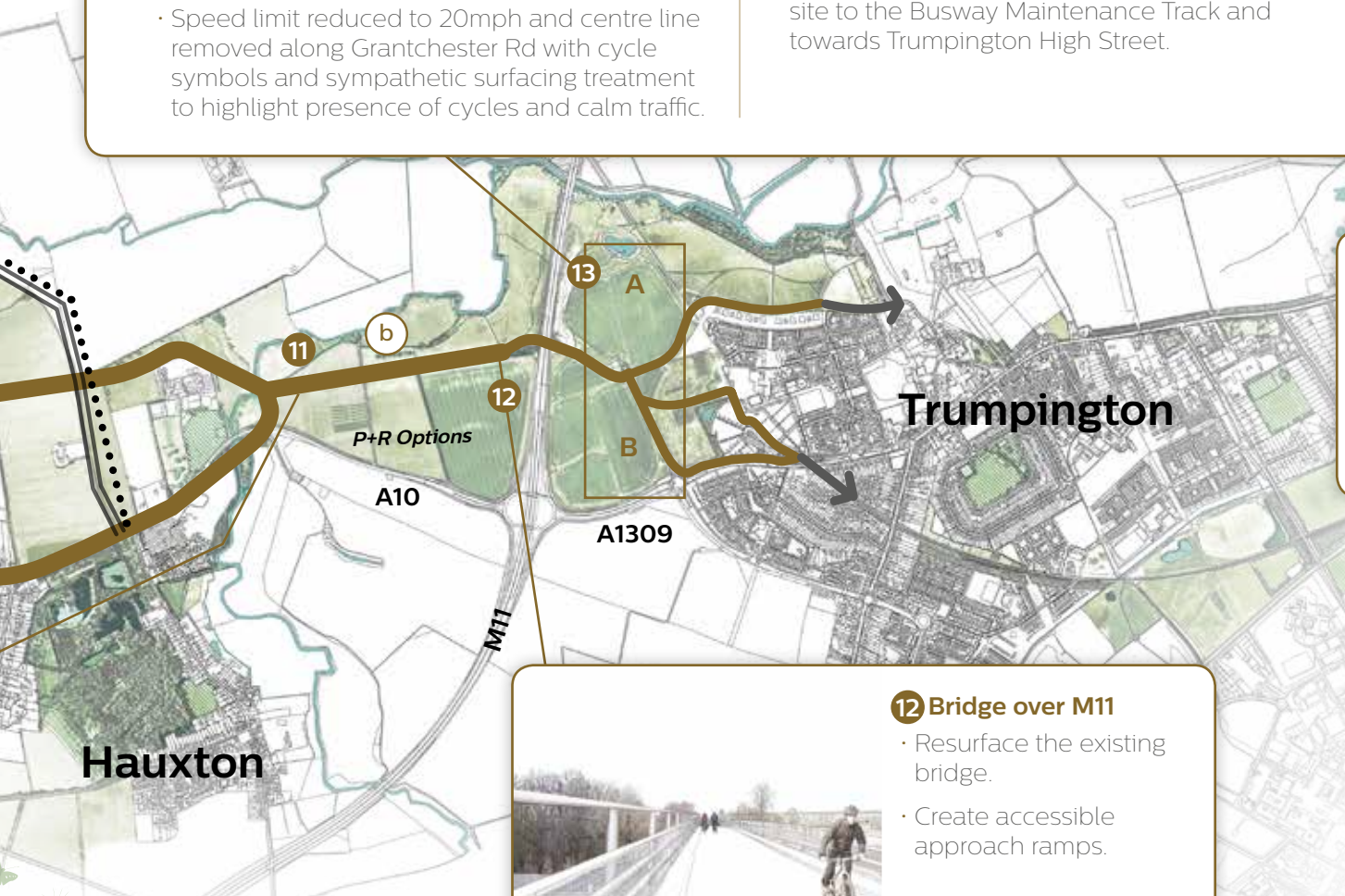
Country Park and Village route

- Speed limit reduced to 20mph and centre line removed along Grantchester Rd with cycle symbols and sympathetic surfacing treatment to highlight presence of cycles and calm traffic.



B – Via Trumpington Park and Ride

- Connection across Trumpington Park and Ride site to the Busway Maintenance Track and towards Trumpington High Street.



Designs for bus and cycle improvements for Trumpington Road and High Street are being considered. Consultation will take place separately to Melbourn Greenway.

12 Bridge over M11

- Resurface the existing bridge.
- Create accessible approach ramps.



Join us to find out more at a public exhibition*:

ROUTE	LOCATION	DATE	TIME	ADDRESS
Sawston Greenway	Stapleford Recreation Ground	Sunday 23 June 2019	11:00am – 12:00pm	Stapleford Recreation Ground, Haverhill Road, Stapleford, CB22 5BX
Melbourn Greenway	Melbourn Hub	Thursday 11 July 2019	6:30pm – 8:30pm	30 High Street, Melbourn, Royston SG8 6DZ
Sawston Greenway	Addenbrooke's Concourse	Tuesday 16 July 2019	11:00am – 1:00pm	Hills Road, Cambridge CB2 0QQ
Sawston Greenway	Spicers Sports Pavillion	Tuesday 23 July 2019	6:00pm – 8:00pm	Spicers Sports Field, Cambridge Road, Sawston, CB22 3DG
Melbourn Greenway	Harston Village Hall	Thursday 25 July 2019	6:00pm – 8:00pm	20 High Street, Harston, Cambridge CB22 7PX

*More events may be added in the future, please check our website for updates. Events advertised will only present information specific to the Greenway named.

Have your say by Monday 05 August 2019

There are a number of ways to respond to the consultation:



Fill out the online questionnaire at
www.greatercambridge.org.uk/greenwaysconsultation



Complete the paper questionnaire and return by
Freepost to Greater Cambridge Partnership, SH1317,
Shire Hall, Cambridge, CB3 0AP

More information on these proposals is available at
www.greatercambridge.org.uk/greenways

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