

ANNEX 2



LOCAL COMMITTEE (WAVERLEY)

**PUBLIC QUESTION AND
RESPONSE**

18 MARCH 2016

1. From Mr Christopher Peck

Last year, Surrey County Council completed the local awaited and much welcomed cycle track between Marshall Road and the Meadow/Chalk Road/Bridge Road roundabout, Godalming. This was one of two priority schemes identified in the 2002 Waverley Local Plan for Godalming's cycling network (see Policy M7). The second of those prioritised schemes is the continuation of that link between the same roundabout and the centre of Godalming, providing an off-carriageway link through the Lammas Lands, including bridges over Hell Ditch and the River Wey, to the east of Bridge Road. What steps have been made to (a) conduct a feasibility study of this or other options, and (b) secure funding for this route ?

Response

At the time that the Waverley Borough Local Plan was adopted in 2002, the Godalming cycle way mentioned by Mr Peck was considered significantly important and was therefore included as a strategic cycle route in Policy M7 of the Local Plan.

Waverley Borough Council continues to recognise the importance of this route and is aware that the Waverley Cycle Forum has included this cycle scheme in its latest list. However, whilst the Borough Council collects the contributions from developers through s106 agreements that go towards transport schemes, it is up to the County Council to determine their implementation. Local highways schemes, including cycle routes, are identified and prioritised by the Local Committee's local task groups for decision by the committee; to date the scheme described in the question has not been promoted by the Godalming, Milford and Witley Task Group. However, it should be noted that the proposed route is not on highways-owned land but is entirely contained within common land.

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