

THE LEATHERHEAD SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT PACKAGE

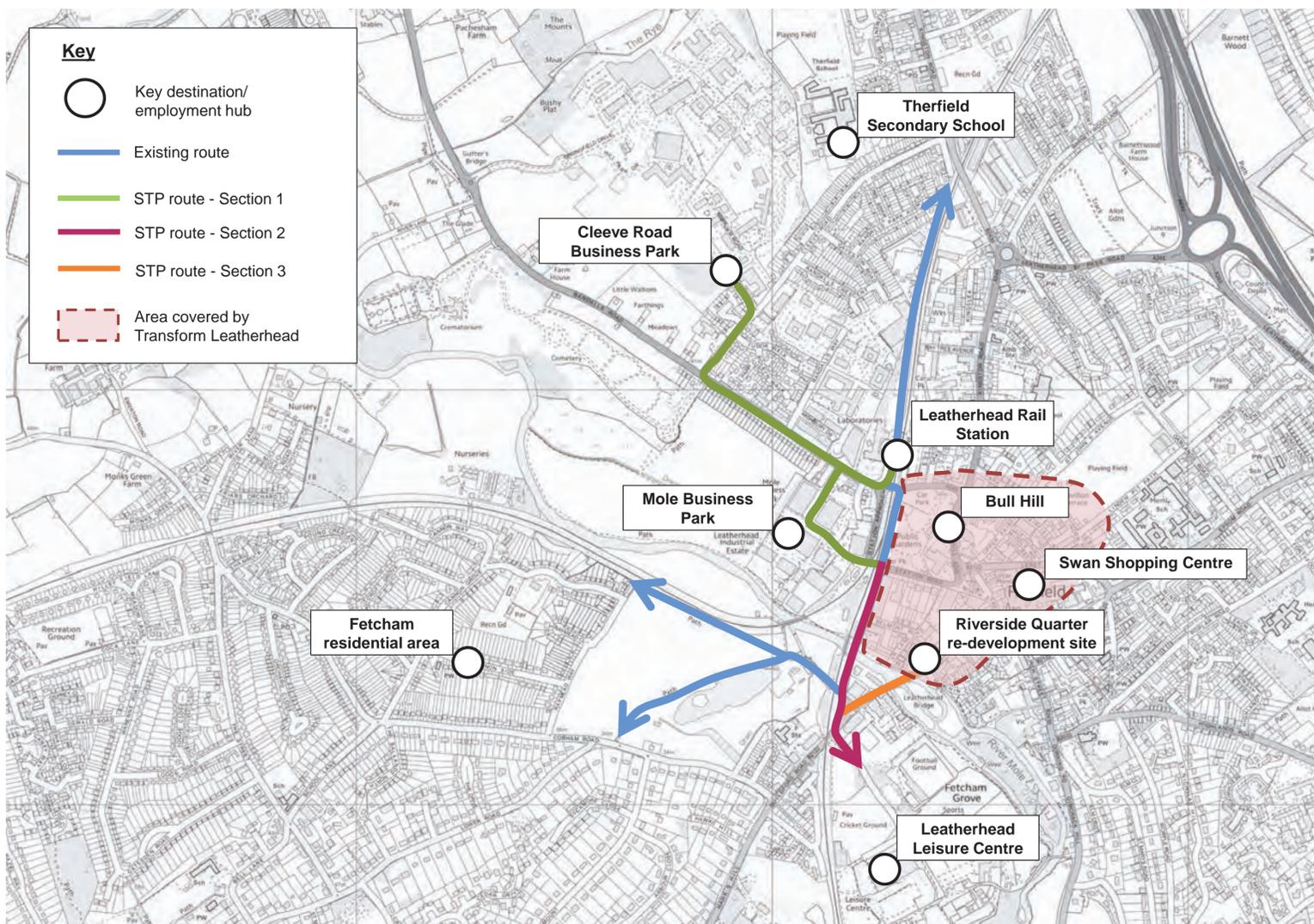
ENCOURAGING CYCLING AND WALKING



THE VISION

Leatherhead town centre is going to be expanded and transformed but to make sure that it is accessible by all forms of transport, improvements for pedestrians and cyclists are needed. The Leatherhead Sustainable Transport Package (STP) is a set of upgrades designed to make it easier, quicker and safer to walk and cycle between Fetcham, Leatherhead Town Centre, rail station, business parks and the proposed Riverside Quarter. They will complement the Transform Leatherhead proposals by providing connectivity to the development area.

By encouraging more people to travel sustainably - by bike or on foot - there will be less congestion, less pollution and more people will have the opportunity to live healthier lives.



DESIGN PRINCIPLES

- Create safe routes that people will want to use because they're attractive and get them where they need to go.
- Improve pavements and pedestrian areas so that they are wide, well surfaced and suitable for buggies and wheelchairs.
- Provide cycle routes which are continuous and segregated from busy traffic.

HOW WILL THE PROPOSALS BE FUNDED?

The majority of the £4.9 million scheme cost will come from the Local Enterprise Partnership's Local Growth Fund, with Surrey County Council (subject to approval) and Mole Valley District Council providing a local contribution. The project will be planned and implemented by Surrey CC and Mole Valley DC working in partnership.

WHEN WOULD THE WORK HAPPEN?

The work is planned to start in 2017 and will be completed in stages over a two to three year period. A Construction Management Plan will be in place to minimise any disruption to travel. These proposals are still in development and some aspects may change or be adapted to fit in with available space and budget.

WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT

To help us secure funding we need to know which proposals you think would be beneficial to local people and the local area. Would they encourage you to walk and cycle more?



SECTION 1: MOLE BUSINESS PARK AND CLEEVE ROAD LINKS

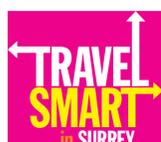
Every day thousands of employees travel to work in Leatherhead but can feel disconnected from the town and leisure centre even though distances are short. By improving walking and cycling facilities between Leatherhead Station and the Springfield Drive, Park View and Cleeve Road business parks, commuting and lunch time travel by bike or on foot will become a viable and attractive option.

PROPOSED UPGRADES

- A new, wide off-road path for cyclists and pedestrians along the north side of Randalls Road. This will connect Station Approach with Cleeve Road.
- A signed, on-road route for cyclists with cycle friendly traffic management will continue along Cleeve Road to create a safe route to local businesses including Unilever, KBR and CGI.
- A route for cyclists from Station Road to Randalls Road through the Mole Business Park.

KEY BENEFITS

- Make it easier and safer for more than 10,000 employees to travel by bike and on foot between the business parks, Leatherhead train station and the town centre.
- Easier and safer for residents to cycle and walk to and from the station.
- Reduced parking pressure at the station and local businesses.
- Encourage more people working in Leatherhead to spend time (e.g. lunch breaks) in Leatherhead town centre.
- Reduced congestion in Leatherhead at peak times, particularly around the station.
- By joining our section 2 proposals, a continuous cycle route will be created between Fetcham and Leatherhead Leisure Centre.



SECTION 2: WATERWAY ROAD LINK

Waterway Road provides a vital link to the train station and the businesses in north Leatherhead for Fetcham residents. It is already a popular route for cyclists and pedestrians and is the most convenient way of accessing the leisure centre from the north of the town. By providing a better off-road facility we will improve safety by separating bikes and vehicles.

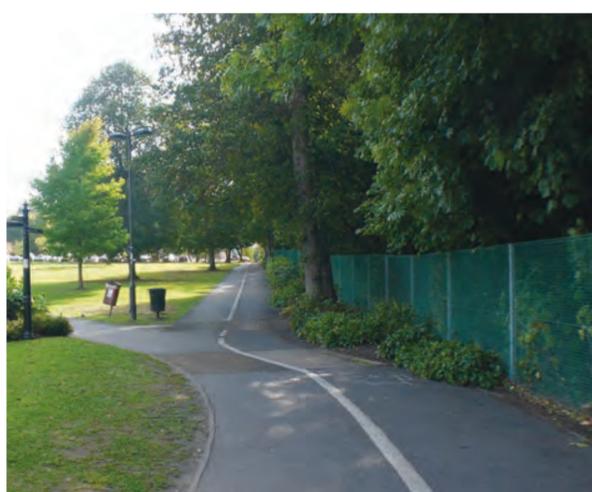
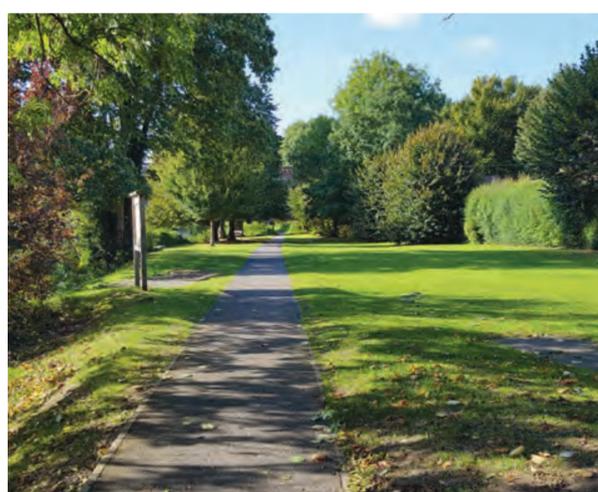


PROPOSED UPGRADES

- A new off-road path for cyclists and pedestrians along the western side of Waterway Road.
- Simplifying the Waterworks junction by removing the roundabout and creating a T-junction at Guildford Road.
- A new, signalised crossing for pedestrians and cyclists across Waterway Road to the pumping station and on to the leisure centre.
- Creating a raised crossing across Waterway Road (just South of Belmont Rd) to allow access to the riverside path. Some sections of the riverside path will be widened to better accommodate people walking and cycling.

KEY BENEFITS

- Make it easier and safer for Fetcham's 8,000 residents to reach Leatherhead train station, business parks and Therfield School by bike and on foot.
- Make it easier and safer to reach Leatherhead Leisure Centre by bike and on foot.
- Reduced congestion along Waterway Road and at the Station Road junction.
- By linking to Mill Lane, a continuous, safer cycle route to Fetcham will be created.



SECTION 3: TOWN BRIDGE AND THE RIVERSIDE QUARTER

The area to the south of the town centre of Leatherhead is being regenerated to create a Riverside Quarter with more open space and green areas. The proposals are still at an early stage but will potentially include a new cafe, apartments, a hotel and a business centre.

Leatherhead Sustainable Transport Package will facilitate easier access to the Riverside Quarter by improving the facilities on Guildford Road Bridge ('Town Bridge') for pedestrians and cyclists. Additionally, the riverside walk will be widened to make it suitable for both groups of users.

PROPOSED UPGRADES

The following upgrades will be enabled by changing the bridge to a single lane that's controlled by traffic lights on either side:

- Wider footways over the bridge to make crossing easier for pedestrians, wheelchair and buggy users.
- Safe stopping zones for cyclists in front of the vehicles at the traffic lights.
- Wider footways on the bridge approaches.



This transformation provides the opportunity to revitalise the public space in the area, and provide significant improvements for pedestrians and cyclists wishing to access the town centre from the south.