

Agenda Item 6

Report for the Derby and Derbyshire Local Access Forum

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Derby City Council Rights of Way Improvement Plan

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General service

The Rights of Way service, within the Planning Division, continues to carry out the network management side of the rights of way function including the work on updating the definitive map and dealing with public path orders. The Highways Maintenance service continues to carry out the rights of way maintenance and enforcement function.

Definitive map and path orders

As stated in previous reports, work continues to be carried out towards the production of the legal event modification orders that are required to bring the definitive map areas covering Derby up to date. Work continues on the drafting and making of orders for the city.

There are no ongoing applications for definitive map modification orders.

There is one public path order application being processed.

Major path schemes

Riverside Gardens. The city centre flood prevention works, which includes the reconstruction of a section of the Riverside Path adjacent to the Council House, have been completed.

Darley Park Cycleway. The cycleway, which runs through Darley Park, north to south, is both part hard surfaced with a part elevated timber boardwalk. Some surfacing works are required to complete the route.

Derby to Nottingham Cycle Route. The Derby section of this strategic route will follow the Spondon section of the former Derby Canal. A planning application for the scheme was submitted in February. A connection to the Bennerley Viaduct to the north may be investigated at some point in the future but only after the main route has been constructed.

Sinfin Moor Park Permissive Bridleway. A proposed permissive circular horse riding route through the park which is being investigated by officers. The investigation follows a meeting with the local Friends group and horse riders after reports of conflict between pedestrians and riders within the park.

Derwent Valley Cycleway. This is the first phase of a Highways England led cycleway scheme linking Haslams Lane, Derby and Little Eaton. Work on the scheme continues.

DADLAF member raised issues

Derwent Valley Heritage Way

The waymarking of this path, which is a pedestrian route within the city, is being looked at again during the planning work for the proposed Derwent Valley Cycleway which will follow a similar route.

Riverside Path

The section of Riverside Path to the rear of the Silk Mill Museum is still closed and a diversion is in place and is expected to remain so for the next 12 months. The diversion of the section of Riverside Path to the rear of the Premier Inn on Full Street has ended and that section of path is available again.

Plans

Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP)

The draft plan is almost complete and is expected to be submitted to the Department for Transport by the end of March 2020.

Rights of Way Improvement Plan (RoWIP 2)

As stated at the December meeting, an update on the development of the new plan is proposed to be given at the next joint City and County RoWIP which is expected to be held sometime in April/May this year. Most of the path schemes that were promoted in the 2014-2017 plan are now complete or under development.

Derby City Local Plan

The Derby City Local Plan Part 2, which is concerned with allocating additional development sites and addressing more detailed policy issues, is due to be published for public consultation later in the year.

Recommendation

To note this report.