

SHOTLEY PENINSULA CYCLING CAMPAIGN

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We hope everyone is enjoying this lovely cycling weather! Here is the latest news from the Shotley Peninsula Cycling Campaign:

1. Progress on the Community Path

After a bit of a delay, we have now started work on preparing the detailed plans for the planning application for the Bourne Bridge to Freston Hill section of the path. We will be checking these carefully with the landowners and relevant authorities before submitting our application later this year. We will let you know as soon as we have the plans on our website, so that you can all have a look at them.

2. County Council Portfolio Holder cycles the route:

Councillor Graham Newman, the county council's Portfolio Holder for Transport, recently cycled the whole length of the proposed community path with us. Having the support of Suffolk County Council (who are the Highway Authority) will be crucial to the success of this project, so it was very encouraging to learn of his enthusiasm for this new path. We will continue to work very closely with Suffolk County Council as well as Sustrans.

3. Membership of the CTC

We have recently signed up the SPCC as a group member of the Cyclists` Touring Club, which is the UK's national cycling charity. Besides giving the SPCC insurance-cover for events that we may put on, it also gives us access to their advice service. Furthermore, it also means that all members of SPCC can become individual affiliated members of the CTC for only £16 p.a., which includes the invaluable benefit of third party insurance cover of up to ten-million pounds. This means that if you were out cycling and were unfortunate enough to knock into a car, or be the cause of any sort of accident, you would be covered for any claims made against you.

If you are interested in seeing the full terms of this cover, or wish to become an affiliated member then go the CTC's website and follow the links: Home > Membership > Membership for groups > Buy individual affiliated membership > Insert the affiliated club code for the SPCC.

Please note that this newsletter may be read by anyone visiting our website, and therefore we cannot print our affiliated club code here. If you require it, please phone or email our Secretary who will let you have it.

If you are interested in becoming a full member of the CTC, then membership is £41 per person, or £66 per family.

4. Shotley Peninsula Green Way

At our recent AGM, we debated giving our proposed community path a new name in order to give it a very clear identity to help us in making successful bids for funding. This name would be used on leaflets and also, in due course, signage. The name favoured at the AGM was the Shotley Peninsula Green Way. We will now hope to get approval for this from Suffolk CC, Babergh DC, as well as the Suffolk Coasts and Heaths Project.

5. SPCC Committee:

At our AGM in June, the existing committee was re-elected, with the officers remaining the same.

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