

'Let's get cycling & walking'

East Sussex's Local Cycling & Walking Infrastructure Plan 2021 – 2031



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Equality Impact Assessment



Having due regard to the Equality Act 2010 has been essential in the development of the LCWIP. This will also be important during the development and delivery of identified cycling and walking infrastructure and initiatives, when measures will be subject to an Equality Impact Assessment (EQiA) at scheme level.

An EQiA) has been undertaken to ensure that the LCWIP does not discriminate, but advances equality for people who are defined as having a protected characteristic.

In order to support the Department for Transport's 'Inclusive Transport Strategy' 2019, the principle of inclusiveness, i.e. to support people with both physical and hidden disabilities, alongside other groups where cycling is often underrepresented, including people of an older age, women, and Black, Asian and minority ethnic (BAME) groups, is a critical element of the plan.

The outcome of the EQiA is outlined in Appendix 3.

1. Foreword

East Sussex County Council's (ESCC) Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) sets out a proposed network of cycling and walking routes and measures in specific areas of the County. Importantly this will sit alongside our wider plans to improve mobility and transport over the next ten years, as outlined in the ESCC Local Transport Plan.

The opportunity to enable more people to walk and cycle has never been so important. The COVID-19 pandemic has had huge an impact on the way people work, socialise and, ultimately, travel. For some this has meant that they have been able to re-think about how they travel and cycling, and walking has become more of an option. We want to maintain this momentum by improving and adding to our existing network, and this LCWIP is a significant step to achieving this.

The benefits associated with more people walking and cycling are evident. We know that it can improve our physical and mental health and wellbeing, through the fun and enjoyment and will directly contribute to moving us towards net zero carbon emissions.

We must also not underestimate the importance that active travel will have in supporting the recovery of the economy. It will achieve this by improving connections and travel options for people to access education, training and employment opportunities, which will contribute to creating a healthy more reliable workforce. Individuals will benefit from financial savings arising from not having a need for vehicular travel, and supporting future clean growth through tourism and place making in housing and employment development. Despite all of these benefits we do understand that for most people, choosing to cycle or walk is only going to be a realistic option if it is convenient and fits easily into their lives

So, PEOPLE are at the centre of this plan. We will focus as much on understanding people's needs and the **PLACES** that they want to get to, as this will influence how we can encourage more to cycling and walking. This will also help inform us about the types of measures we need to deliver to help make this happen.

This plan is a live document. It will continue to evolve, and new schemes and different areas of the county will be considered and included where possible. We *cannot deliver this plan alone, so we will be working in partnership with* district and borough councils and the business sector alongside our local communities, to help us plan, secure future funding and deliver the measures that people need to enable them to walk and cycle more.



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2. What is an LCWIP and how has it been developed?

CYCLING & WALKING NETWORKS

The LCWIP indicates the proposed cycling and walking networks within specific areas of the County. These networks are at an early stage of feasibility and only indicate the potential alignment of a route or a measure and should not be considered as detailed proposals.

EVOLUTIONARY DOCUMENT

The LCWIP will be a 'live document' and updated regularly as opportunities to enhance the networks evolve. This will be alongside including measures, which meet with new government guidance.

FUNDING & CONSULTATION

The LCWIP is dependent on ESCC and their partners to secure funding to develop and deliver cycling and walking infrastructure improvements. Once funding is secured for specific schemes these will then be subject to local consultation.

- 2.1 The Department for Transport (DfT) identified LCWIP's in their Cycling & Walking Investment Plan, which was published in 2017. Whilst local authorities are not required to develop LCWIPs, these plans are helpful in making it clear where we can develop and deliver improvements to our cycling and walking networks and the funding, we require to deliver these. This will place us and our partners in a much stronger position to secure future funding.
- 2.2 In the current climate where a resulting impact of COVID 19 pandemic has seen people wanting to walk and cycle more, the government is placing a greater emphasis on active travel for all or part of people's daily journeys wherever possible. In August 2020, the DfT published a new Cycling & Walking Strategy, 'Gear Change', to accelerate their ambitions to increase levels of active travel. The strategy emphasises the need to re-allocate and prioritise more space for people cycling and walking. To support this new cycle infrastructure design guidance, 'Local Transport Note (LTN) 1/20' was published in autumn 2020 which promotes the provision of more segregated routes for cyclists.
- 2.3 East Sussex's LCWIP sets out an ambitious network of additional cycling and walking routes and measures integrated with existing cycling and walking infrastructure. This is set alongside the wider plans for the transport network in our Local Transport Plan, and alongside the opportunities to maximise the potential to support new housing and employment space coming forward through district and borough Local Plans and Neighbourhood Plans
- 2.4 This LCWIP will be focussed on those areas where there are the greatest opportunities to increase levels of cycling and walking, particularly in our key towns across the coastal strip and important market towns There is an emphasis on delivering infrastructure improvements which will support those people who currently do not cycle or walk. At a national level, cycling is underrepresented in people of an older age, women, and Black, Asian and minority ethnic

(BAME) and often the barriers which prohibit them from cycling, including concerns around safety and risk, are interrelated.

- 2.5 Whilst the LCWIP is focussed on delivering cycling and walking routes and measures, we recognise that people will often only change how they travel if it is convenient and easy. By providing training, information and initiatives can help people make this change. Working with our key partners this plan will also develop programmes of cycling and walking training, information and initiatives that link with the infrastructure measures coming forward.
- 2.6 The LCWIP will be a **ten-year document**, covering the period from **2021 to 2031**, and will identify a prioritised programme of work over the following timeframes:
 - short 0 to 3 years,
 - medium 3 to 5 5 years and
 - long term 5 to 10 years.
- 2.7 It is important to note that our LCWIP document will be treated as a 'live document' and updated regularly as opportunities to enhance the cycling and networks evolve. The document we are currently consulting on is the first version. Future scheme identification and development will consider recent government guidance
- 2.8 DfT provided guidance on how local authorities should develop an LCWIP and recommended that several different stages of work should be undertaken. ESCC has followed these stages to develop the LCWIP. Figure 1 indicates the work that has been undertaken by ESCC at each stage and the current stage of the plan.

Figure 1 - LCWIP Development Stages

Stage 1	Determining Scope Identifying where in the County the LCWIP should be focussed.
Stage 2	Gathering Information Reviewing existing data related to cycling and walking alongside existing policies and strategies.
Stage 3	Network Planning for cycling Reviewing existing networks and trips, and identifying the places that should be connected.
Stage 4	Network Planning for walking Reviewing existing networks and identifying the places that should be connected alongside improvements for specific areas, including town centres.

Stage 5



Prioritising Improvements

Undertake a further review, following the consultation on which schemes could come forward in the short, medium and long term.

Stage 6



Integration and application

Seek approval of the document from ESCC Cabinet in early 2021 and set out a plan on how we will deliver the LCWIP and continue to update the plan.

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3. Why are we developing an LCWIP?

3.1 East Sussex LCWIP will be at the forefront of taking positive action to support several key challenges and opportunities which are facing us internationally, nationally and locally.

Figure 2 – Key Challenges & Opportunities



National and Local Evidence

3.2 As outlined in Figure 2 the LCWIP supports several key challenges and opportunities that we are facing at an international, national, and local level. This section provides an overview of what these are, but more information can be found in Appendix 2.

COVID-19 Pandemic

- 3.3 The current COVID-19 pandemic is altering the way people work, socialise and organise their daily lives with many of these changes likely to continue in the future. Its presence has had a severe impact on the physical and mental health and wellbeing of people, as well as a serious impact on the economy. However, this situation has also raised awareness of the importance of improving physical health and wellbeing, as well as the benefits of cleaner air and quieter streets through less people travelling for work or leisure purposes. The positive feeling and enjoyment people get from active travel should not be underestimated.
- 3.4 Active travel can help us to be more resilient to illness, and we have an opportunity to develop this plan to get more people fit and healthy by improving our walking and cycling networks, as well as improve confidence and perceptions of safety, to support those that wish to make positive changes to their travel habits.

Tackling Climate Change

- 3.5 The impacts of Climate Change are evident and in June 2019, the UK Government committed to a target to bring all greenhouse gas emissions to net zero by 2050, compared with the previous target of at least 80% reduction from 1990 levels. With transport accounting for over a third of all carbon dioxide emissions nationally we have an important role to play in helping to reduce these emissions.
- 3.6 We need to act now, which is why it is important to integrate deliverable measures which align local environmental policy with wider policy agendas. This LCWIP, along with other localised walking and cycling improvement plans across the country, will be instrumental in reducing carbon emissions and supporting the declarations of a climate emergency. Lewes Eastbourne, Rother & Hastings have set a carbon neutrality target for 2030, and the rest of the County has set it for 2050

Improving Air Quality

3.7 Exposure to poor air quality is not a lifestyle choice, and often affects the health of people who are more vulnerable, including children and people with pre-existing health conditions, as well as those people that live or work nearer to congested roads. Initiatives to encourage more active travel, particularly on the commute to work or to access education, is therefore important. Not only will this reduce congestion from vehicles on the road, thereby lowering emission levels locally, but it will improve the physical health and wellbeing of people locally. This is especially important in our air quality management areas (AQMAs) within Newhaven and Lewes (both of which are managed by Lewes - Eastbourne –Council).

Improving physical and mental health

3.8 Leading an active lifestyle is proven to support both physical and mental health. East Sussex's LCWIP will align with existing Public Health programmes to improve the cycling and

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¹Cycling UK's Cycling Statistics - 2017-201?

walking environment, and initiatives to help people use active travel for everyday journeys and to access green space. The Plan will embrace Public Health England's approach of 'proactive, predictive, and personalised prevention' to reduce long term health conditions and reduce the burden on our economy. With physical inactivity costing the NHS up to £1bn per annum enabling more people to be physically active will benefit not only the individual but relieve the growing pressures on our healthcare system and the economy.

Supporting economic recovery and growth in a sustainable way

- 3.9 Most local journeys to work in East Sussex are at or below 5km. This enables cycling and walking for journeys of up to 2km to be an achievable option for all or part of journeys to and from work. The East Sussex LCWIP will be an integral element of economic strategic plans with overall support towards the policy of 'levelling up' local economies and reducing social inequalities in terms of supporting access to new and existing employment, boosting productivity through a healthier and more active workforce, and broadening people's horizons with access to education and training.
- 3.10 The provision of improved cycling and walking infrastructure will be a fundamental element of 'place making,' within our high streets, town centres, existing residential areas and as part of new developments. The plan will also look to integrate sustainable transport within regional economic planning focussed on 'promoting greater inclusion and change by harnessing economic opportunities in coastal communities' and will focus on areas where there are the greatest opportunities to get more people cycling and walking.

Better safety for people cycling and walking

3.11 It is often the case that people will choose to not cycle (or walk) because they are concerned about safety. Therefore, better safety for people cycling and walking through the provision of well-developed infrastructure combined with training and initiative programmes is an integral element of the East Sussex LCWIP. Utilising existing multi-agency partnerships across the county will help us to support and enable more people to walk and cycle with confidence.

Integration with place making

- 3.12 There is increased pressure to deliver more housing and employment opportunities in the county. Currently in East Sussex over 2,000 additional homes are proposed to be built per year alongside additional employment workspace. Revisions to Local Plans are considering even higher housing targets to meet local needs, and the integration of the LCWIP networks and the review of these are being included as a fundamental element of the wider assessment of mobility and transport and the mitigation measures resulting from this.
- 3.13 This will ensure that cycling and walking are an achievable way to travel for all or part of journeys from people's homes to their places of work, and to other key trip attractors such as educational and leisure facilities.

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² Draft SE LEP Local Industrial Strategy 2020

3.14 The way that people travel is largely determined by whether it convenient and easy and can fit into a person's daily life. As part of the assessment stage of the LCWIP, with key local partners we reviewed the issues and opportunities related to some of the barriers to cycling and walking in the County alongside data related to people's health, the economy, and the environment.

Table 1 outlines a summary of this review. This information has been used to help inform the development of the cycling and walking networks. (For further information on the evidence review for each settlement included in the LCWIP, please refer to Appendix B - East Sussex LCWIP – Infrastructure Plan section 2.7 Key Issues & Opportunities – Specific Geographic Areas.)

Table 1 – County wide issues and opportunities

Issues

Limited cycling and walking network on key corridors of movement, within key growth areas.

Limited and inconsistent provision for cycling and walking connecting residential areas and key local trip attractors.

Inconsistent provision for cycling and walking to support **inclusive access**.

A **lack of high-quality segregated routes** and suitable (width of) highway space to be able to introduce such routes

Safety issues – volume and speed of traffic

Inconsistent provision **connecting new development** and the existing cycling and walking network.

Poor maintenance of existing infrastructure for cycling and walking

Town centres dominated by traffic movements, impacting on ambience, safety and air quality.

Poor legibility in key centres.

Limited cycle parking provision at key destinations.

Higher than average levels of **obesity** at reception and Year 6 children in certain district and boroughs.

Prevalence of mental health issues in certain district and boroughs.

Reluctance to cycle on the road due to fear of conflict with vehicular traffic and lack of education and awareness to help combat this perception, especially in vulnerable groups.

Opportunities

Maintain the momentum of increased active travel since the COVID-19 pandemic through improved infrastructure and training and initiatives.

Distances between residential areas - key centres / business areas - localised trip attractors **between 3 - 5km or less**, making cycling and walking feasible.

Declaration of a climate emergency – Lewes – Eastbourne, Rother & Hastings 2030, the rest of the County 2050.

Increased growth in housing and employment connected to the existing sustainable transport network.

Focus on **town centre and high street regeneration** – prioritise cycling, walking, public transport integrated with inclusive access.

Integrate active travel alongside smart mobility measures.

Appetite for active travel from local populations.

Untapped opportunities to promote accessible cycling and walking alongside cultural, leisure and tourist offer

Continued **integration of travel behaviour change programmes** and training with the delivery of **transport infrastructure projects**.

Reduce health issues and related financial impact on the NHS through a more active population.

Cleaner streets and reduction in carbon emissions and congestion through a reduction in car dependency.

4. Where is the LCWIP focussed?

- 4.1 The government has asked local authorities to focus their LCWIP's on areas where there are the greatest opportunities to get as many people as possible cycling and walking. This means developing a network that enables people to cycle and walk for everyday short local journeys or as part of longer journeys, whether this be for getting to school, work, shopping trips or for leisure. With the need for housing and employment in the county, networks will also need to support the plans for these.
- 4.2 Our first version of the LCWIP prioritises areas largely located on the coastal strip and the larger market towns in the County. We anticipate that focussing on these areas will provide us with the greatest opportunities to secure larger scale external funding for cycling and walking infrastructure programmes, especially from central government.
- 4.3 Focussing on the coastal strip and larger market towns in the first version of the LCWIP does not mean that we do not recognise that there are opportunities for cycling and walking trips within rural areas. We are committed to working with our key local partners, to seek and secure funding from a variety of sources to deliver the infrastructure and measures identified in the LCWIP. Aside from Government funding, potential sources include our Local Transport Plan, District and Borough Councils Local Plans, and Neighbourhoods Plans.
- 4.4 The County has been subdivided into the following areas, and these are represented in Figure 3 below.

Coastal East Sussex Lewes and South Downs Beyhill and Hasting Rural East Sussex LONDON

Figure 3 – LCWIP Areas

The towns where we have undertaken network development for cycling and walking are listed below in Figure 4.

4.6 Further priority has been assigned to the coastal areas within the County, as they offer the greatest opportunities to increase levels of cycling and walking.

Figure 4- LCWIP Geographic Areas

Coastal	Fact	SUCCAY -	Priority	CWID	ARFAS
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- Newhaven Area
 - o Newhaven, Peacehaven & Seaford
- Lewes & South Downs National Park
 - o Lewes
- Eastbourne & South Wealden
 - Eastbourne
 - Hailsham & Polegate
- Bexhill & Hastings
 - o Bexhill
 - Hastings

Rural East Sussex

- North Wealden & North Lewes area
 - Uckfield
 - Heathfield
 - o Crowborough
- Rural Rother
 - Battle & Rye

5. What is the LCWIP proposing?

This stage of the LCWIP has required:

- The development of proposed cycle network maps for each of the areas,
- The development of proposed walking network maps for Newhaven, Lewes, Eastbourne, Hailsham, Bexhill and Hastings, and
- A programme of cycling and walking infrastructure improvements.
- 5.2 The networks were developed using several transport assessment tools, as recommended by the DfT. (For further information on how the networks were developed and the tools which were used, please refer to Appendix B -ESCC LCWIP Infrastructure Plan stages 3 & 4 network planning.)

Stakeholder engagement

5.3 To ensure that the initial interests of local stakeholders were considered in the preparation of the first version of the LCWIP, the district and borough councils, alongside local cycling, walking and access groups were engaged with the development of the proposed networks.

It is important to understand that the proposed cycling and walking networks in the LCWIP <u>indicate</u> the potential alignment of a route or measure, with an emphasis on demonstrating how they can connect people with the places they may travel for everyday journeys. <u>They do not contain detailed proposals</u>. Once funding is secured for specific schemes these will then be subject to local consultation.

Proposed Cycle Network Maps

- 5.4 A proposed cycle network map of preferred routes for each priority area has been developed. These maps outline the proposed cycle networks for each settlement, alongside a table with the name of each route that is referred to on the map.
- 5.5 Whilst network planning for walking has been undertaken for some of the specific geographic areas, as outlined in Appendix B, the cycling network development work also

identified improvements on these routes for pedestrians. For example, where a shared cycling and pedestrian route may be the most appropriate option, or where there is an opportunity to either improve or install new dropped kerbs, or where a toucan crossing is proposed.

Coastal East Sussex – Priority LCWIP Areas

Newhaven Area - Newhaven, Peacehaven & Seaford

5.6 In the Newhaven area the preferred network is focussed on having several key routes connecting the three towns, to support the strategic connections on the A259 corridor in the longer term. This is alongside having more localised networks in each town to support with access to schools, shops and local facilities.



Figure 5 - Newhaven area proposed cycle network

Table 2 – Proposed infrastructure

Table 2 Scheme Number	Scheme Names - Newhaven, Peacehaven & Seaford
N1	Telscombe Link
N2	South Coast Road (A259) Peacehaven
N3	Coastal Path
N4	Arundel Road NCN2
N5	Firle Road
N6	Saltdean – Peacehaven - Southease
N7	Peacehaven – Newhaven via The Highway

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N8	Newhaven East/West Corridor
N9	Gibbon Road – Court Farm Road to the Newhaven Swing bridge
N10	Seaford East/West Corridor
N11	Seaford Northern Loop
N12	Alfriston Road – Southdowns
N13	The Station – A259 via Sutton Avenue
N14	Marine – Exceat Bridge via Seaford Seafront
N15	Peacehaven Loop
N16	Piddinghoe Avenue
N17	Egrets Way
N18	A259 to Denton
N19	Railway Road
N20	Seaford Northern Loop
N21	Town Centre – Belgrave Road via Avondale Road and Blatchington Hill
N22	A259 – Alfriston Road via Walmer Road
N23	Town Centre – Seafront via Dane Road and The Causeway
N24	Southdown Road
N25	Arundel Road

(Further information on the development of this network is in Appendix 5A.)

Lewes & South Downs National Park

Lewes

5.7 It is important that the preferred routes within this area are sympathetic to the historic nature of Lewes and take into consideration the impact of infrastructure within a national park setting. With the highest levels of cycling for work and leisure within this area of the County, the routes are focussed on supporting more strategic links to the existing National Cycle Network, together with links to nearby settlements and supporting access to local facilities.

Figure 6 - Lewes proposed cycle network Legend LEWES L9 L10 ___ L11 L7 Education facility Leisure, sports centre or open space **★** Railway station **m** Culture Tourist information RINGMER Medical care ☐ Transport interchange Proposed Cycling Network -The Depot Cinema Lewes Cliffe Industrial Estate LONG HILL A27 CLEVES Southover FALMER Gardens L10

Table 3 – Proposed infrastructure

Table 3 Scheme Number	Scheme Names Lewes
L1	A27 and Lewes Town Centre
L2	Ringmer – Southease
L3	South Downs Way – Lewes
L4	Montacute Road - Town Centre
L5	South Downs - Spital Road
L6	South Downs – Station
L7	Ditchling – Cooksbridge
L8	A27 – Swanbourough
L9	Lewes – Southease
L10	Nevill - Southover Cooksbridge - Lewes Riverside

L11	Offham - Town Centre
L12	Cooksbridge - Lewes Riverside
L13	Malling - Southover

(Further information on the development of this network is in Appendix 5B.)

Eastbourne & South Wealden

Eastbourne, Hailsham & Polegate

- 5.8 In Eastbourne, by taking advantage of an essentially flat topography, routes will support access for localised journeys as well as to support the visitor economy. There is also an emphasis on supporting improved access to the town centre and seafront area.
- 5.9 With South Wealden being the only area of the county where significant growth in housing can come forward, the preferred routes will support existing local journeys to local services as well as connecting to future development.
- 5.10 There is also an opportunity to create a high-quality corridor linking each of these areas by utilising the Cuckoo Trail which is an existing and popular walking and cycling path.

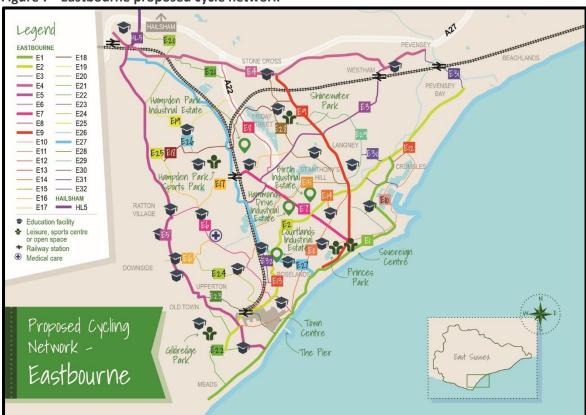


Figure 7 - Eastbourne proposed cycle network

Table 4 - Proposed infrastructure

Table 4 Scheme Number	Scheme Names Eastbourne
E1	South Downs Way – Sovereign Harbour via Seafront
E2	University – Pevensey Bay

E3	Hospital – Westham
E4	Polegate High Street - NCN21 and A22
E5	Polegate-Seafront
E6	Willingdon Road - Seafront
E7	Hampden Park – Sovereign Centre
E8	A22 / Dittons Road - NCN21 – Willingdon Drove
E9	Stone Cross – Royal Parade via Langney
E10	Seaside Road – Sovereign Harbour – Eastbourne Road
E11	Town Hall – Langley Roundabout
E12	Ramsay Way – Route 200 – Pacific Drive
E13	Station – Upper Avenue
E14	Horsey Way – Seaside
E15	Upperton – Eastbourne Park – Sevenoaks Road
E16	Victoria Drive – Hospital
E17	Willingdon Roundabout – South Shinewater Park
E18	Willingdon – The North Shinewater Park – Friday Street
E19	Lower Willingdon - Willingdon Upper
E20	Eastbourne Road - Polegate Recreation Ground - Cuckoo Trail
E21	Dittons Road - Cuckoo Trail – A22
E22	Borough Lane - King Edward's Parade
E23	Old Town-Library and Council Offices - Terminus Road - Seafront
E24	Rodmill - Eastbourne Rail Station
E25	Coopers Hill – Wish Hill
E26	Hazelwood Avenue and Hampden Park – Eastbourne Station link
E27	Polegate – New North Railway Path – Hampden Park – Ringwood Road - Seafront
E28	Stone Cross – Larkspur Drive – Sevenoaks Road, Friday Street – Pennine Way – Seafront
E29	Friday Street – Pennine Way – Seafront
E30	Netherfield Avenue – Sovereign Harbour - Seafront
E31	Pevensey – Pevensey Bay

(Further information on the development of this network is in Appendices 5C & 5D)

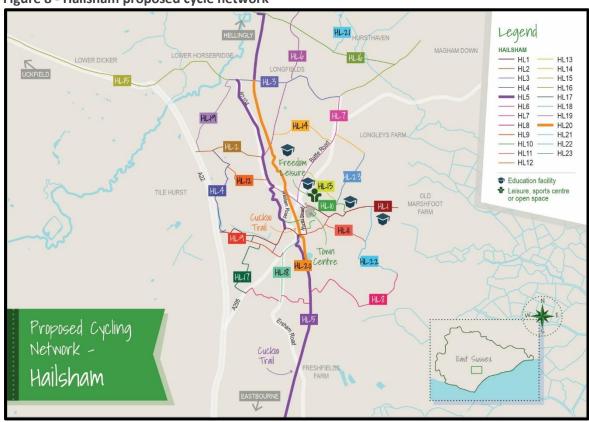


Figure 8 - Hailsham proposed cycle network

Table 5 - Proposed infrastructure

Table 5 Scheme Number	Scheme Names Hailsham
H1	Diplocks Way (A22) — Phoenix Academy
H2	Hempstead Lane
Н3	Cuckmere Close — Battle Road
H4	Diplocks Way / A22 — Hempstead Lane
H5	Polegate – Hellingly
Н6	High Street — Hellingly
H7	London Road — Battle Road — Hawkswood Road
Н8	South Road — Mill Road
H9	A22 — Vicarage Lane
H10	Summerheath Road — High Street
H11	Vicarage Road — Hamlins Park Close
H12	Gleneagles Drive — London Road
H13	Battle Road — White House School
H14	Hawks Road — Harebeating Lane
H15	Lower Dicker — Park Gate Road

H16	Hellingly — Park Gate
H17	Arlington Road East — Upper Horsebridge Road
H18	Ersham Road — South Road
H19	Hempstead Lane - Upper Horsebridge Road
H20	South Road Car Park — Upper Horsebridge Road
H21	New Road - The Drive
H22	Mill Lane - Marshfoot Lane
H23	White House School - Harebeating Lane

(Further information on the development of this network is in Appendices 5E & 5F)

Bexhill & Hastings

Bexhill & Hastings

5.11 With existing links in place connecting Bexhill & Hastings to the north and south, the focus of the preferred routes will be on supporting access to local services. Whilst the topography is challenging, especially in some areas of Hastings, there will be an emphasis on supporting wider projects that aid regeneration, including growth in housing and employment and support to the visitor economy.

BATTLE Legend Proposed Cycling Network -B14 **B15** Bexhill B16 B17 B18 B20 B10 B22 B12 Education facility Leisure, sports centre or open space **Railway station** Galley Hill

Figure 9 - Bexhill proposed cycle network

Table 6 - Proposed infrastructure

Table 6 Scheme Number	Scheme Names Bexhill
B1	NCN2
B2	Cooden Beach, Collington, Cranstoun Avenue, Windsor Road
В3	Withyham Road, Little Common, Recreation Ground
B4	Cooden Sea Road, Broadoak Lane, Woodsgate Park
B5	NCN2/West Parade, King Offa Primary, NBDA West
В6	Collington Rail Station – Hastings Direct
В7	Bancroft, Hillside, Bankside
B8	Bexhill Railway Station to Little Common Road
B9	Bexhill Hospital, Gunters Lane
B10	Gunters Lane, Highlands
B11	Norfolk Close, NBDA
B12	Gunters Lane - Sidley
B13	Buckholt Lane - NBDA
B14	NCN2/De La Warr Parade, King Offa Way & NBDA Central
B15	NCN2/De La Warr Parade & NBDA Central
B16	NCN2/De La Warr Parade NBDA East & Central
B17	Retail Park, Pebsham Lane, NBDA East & Central
B18	NCN2/De La Warr Parade, King Offa Way & NBDA Central
B19	NCN2/De La Warr Parade NBDA East & Central
B20	NCN2/De La Warr Parade NBDA East & Central
B21	Retail Park, Pebsham Lane, NBDA East & Central
B22	NCN2/De La Warr Parade, King Offa Way & NBDA Central
B23	Bexhill – Hastings Greenway (Coombe Valley Way)

(Further information on the development of this network is in Appendix 5G.)

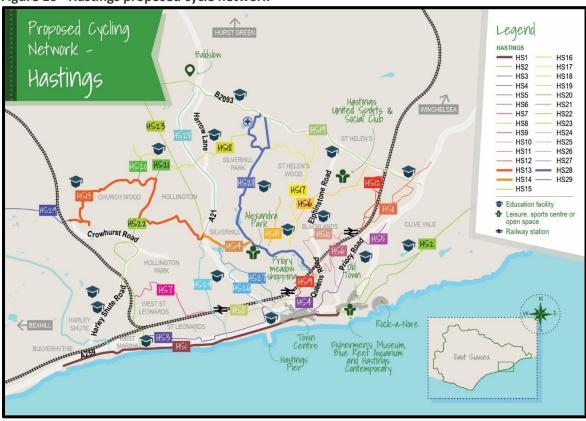


Figure 10 - Hastings proposed cycle network

Table 7 - Proposed infrastructure

Table 7 Scheme Number	Scheme Names Hastings
HS1	NCN2 Bulverhythe – Old Town
HS2	NCN2 Bulverhythe - Fairlight
HS3	Robertson Street – Wellington Place
HS4	West Hill
HS5	Hastings Station – St Helens Road
HS6	St Helens Road – Ore Road
HS7	Ore Station – The Ridge
HS8	Ore Station – The Ridge (Alternative)
HS9	Robsack Wood - Hastings
HS10	Silverhill – Alexandra Park
HS11	The Ridge
HS12	Wishing Tree Road – NCN2
HS13	Battle Road - Silverhill
HS14	Silverhill – St Leonards – NCN2

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HS15	A21 – The Ridgeway - Silverhill
HS16	A21 – Silverhill – Hastings Station
HS17	Conquest Hospital – Alexandra Park – Bethune Way
HS18	West St Leonards – A21
HS19	Hughenden Road – Queens Road
HS20	West St Leonards – London Road
HS21	St Leonards Warrior Square – Hastings Centre
HS22	Ashford Road
HS23	St Helens Park Road
HS24	St Helens Park Road
HS25	Tilekin – Conquest Hospital
HS26	Tile Barn Road Spur
HS27	Wishing Tree Road Sur
HS28	Briscoes Walk Friday Street – Pennine Way – Seafront
BHG	Bexhill – Hastings Greenway (Combe Valley Way) Friday Street – Pennine Way – Seafront

(Further information on the development of this network is in Appendix 5H.)

Rural East Sussex

North Wealden & North Lewes area

Uckfield, Heathfield, Crowborough

5.12 With further housing growth likely to be a considerable focus for these areas, the emphasis of the preferred routes is on supporting access to existing localised services. The preferred routes will also form the basis for further work to be undertaken by ESCC, Wealden District Council and developers in the near future, to develop a more comprehensive network which supports future growth in housing and employment.

Legend UCKFIELD - U9 — U10 - U3 - U12 U5 - U7 Education facility Leisure, sports centre or open space Picture Luxford **Railway station** <u></u> Culture ☐ Transport interchange Bellfarm Road Bellbrook Industria Estate **(+)** Victoria Pleasure Proposed Cycling Ground Network -RIDGEWOOD HILL Millennium * Green

Figure 11 - Uckfield proposed cycle network

Table 8 - Proposed infrastructure

Table 8 Scheme Number	Scheme Names Uckfield	
U1	Mallard Drive	
U2	Framfield Road	
U3	Belfarm Road to Bell Lane	
U4	Bellfarm Road Greenway	
U5	Belmont Road - Manor Way	
U6	Batchelor Way - Rocks Park	
U7	Church Street	
U8	Hempstead Lane	
U9	Lime Tree Avenue	

U10	Southview Drive/ Downsview Crescent	
U11	Browns Lane	
U12	B2102 Ringles Cross – Framfield Road	
U13	New Town - Ridgewood	
U14	New Town to Railway Station (via Victoria Pleasure Ground)	

(Further information on the development of this network is in Appendix 5I)

Figure 12 - Heathfield proposed cycle network

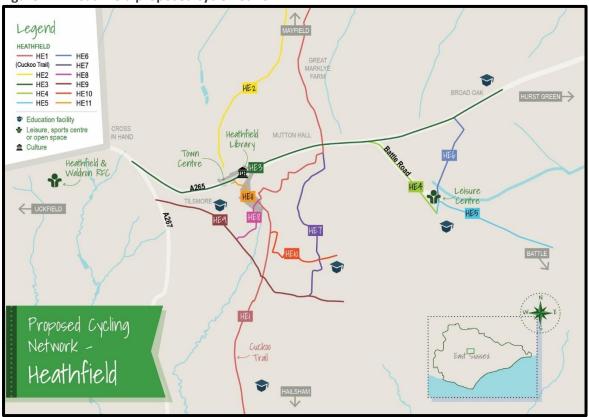


Table 9 - Proposed infrastructure

Table 9 Scheme Number	Scheme Names Heathfield	
HE1	NCN Route 21	
HE2	Cuckoo Trail Extension	
HE3	A265 Snatchells Farm – Broad Oak	
HE4	Battle Road West	
HE5	Battle Road East	
HE6	Halley Road	
HE7	A256 – Sandy Cross Lane	
HE8	Leeves Common	
HE9	Sheepsetting Lane – Sandy Cross Lane	
HE10	Cuckoo Drive – Green Lane	

HE11 Thorny Close Link

(Further information on the development of this network is in Appendix 5J.)

Figure 13 - Crowborough proposed cycle network

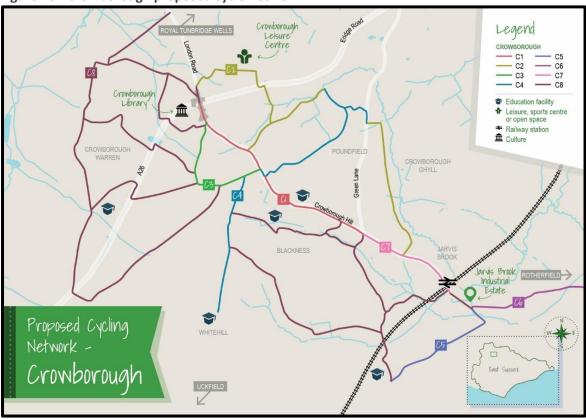


Table 10 - Proposed infrastructure

Table 10 Scheme Number	Scheme Names Crowborough	
C1/C3/C7	B21 from the A27 - junction Green Lane and the Croft Road/Church Road Triangle	
C2	Jarvis Brook – St Johns via Medway and Millbrook Road	
C4	North/South link via Queens Road and Poundfield	
C5	Jarvis Brook – Mount Pleasant – via Tubwell Lane	
C6	Jarvis Brook - Rotherfield	
C8	Area based improvements – residential areas	

(Further information on the development of this network is in Appendix 5K.)

Rural Rother

Battle & Rye

5.13 These historic smaller settlements are set within a more rural environment which is surrounded by Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Alongside the large numbers of tourists which these towns attract they also provide a role as a service centre for nearby rural villages. Therefore, the routes are focussed on supporting local access both within and to the settlements.



Figure 14 - Battle proposed cycle network

Table 11 - Proposed infrastructure

Table 11 Scheme Number	Scheme Names Battle	
B1/B2	Battle Schools Greenway	
В3	Uckham Lane, Marley Lane, Great Wood	
B4/B7/B8/B9	Links to Blackfriars Re-development	
B5	Battle North	
В6	Link Automotive Estates	

(Further information on the development of this network is in Appendix 5L.)



Figure 15 - Rye proposed cycle network

Table 12 - Proposed infrastructure

Table 12 Scheme Number	Scheme Names Rye
R1	Rye - Rye Harbour - Winchelsea Loop
R2	Valley Park - Rock Channel
R3	Valley Park - Camber - Jury's Gap
R4	Peasmarsh - Military Road
R5	Playden Lane
R6	School Lane
R7	Peasmarsh - Landgate
R8	Rye Harbour Alternative
R9	Winchelsea Road - Harbour Road
R10	Camber Alternative
R11	Mason Road
R12	Ferry Road - Love Lane
R13	Cinque Ports Street - Winchelsea
R14	Rye - Playden

R15	Military Road	
R16	Rye - Iden Lock	
R17	New Road - Scots Float Sluice	
R18	Rock Channel	

(Further information on the development of this network is in Appendix 5M.)

Proposed Walking Network Maps

- 5.14 A **proposed walking network map of preferred routes** for each priority area has been developed. *Please see below a map outlining the proposed walking networks for each settlement, alongside a table with the name of each route.*
- 5.15 The aim is to improve the existing walking network and core walking zones (such as town centres) or, where feasible, to extend the walking network. These maps will be adopted as strategic planning documents.

Coastal East Sussex

Newhaven Area - Newhaven

5.16 Whilst the quality of the existing infrastructure for pedestrians is generally good in some locations, there are some specific issues related to accessibility. This includes the height of kerbing, severance issues caused by limited step free access on the most direct routes, lack of pedestrian crossings, and poor quality of footway surfacing.

Legend HASTINGS 20 DENTON N3 Core walking zone Education facility Leisure, sports centre or open space Avis Wav Industrial Estate Railway station 0 Newhaven Town Ouse Estuary Nature Hillcrest Proposed Walking Quarry Road Newhaven Port Newhaven

Figure 16 - Newhaven proposed walking network

Table 13 - Proposed infrastructure

Table 13 Scheme Number	Scheme Name
N1	Core Walking Zone
N2	Church Hill to Southdown Rd
N3	Eveyln Ave to Brighton Rd
N4	Drove Rd to Denton Rd
N5	North Way to Beach Rd
N6	South Rd to Fort Rise

(Further information on the development of this network is in Appendix 50.)

Lewes & South Downs National Park - Lewes

5.17 Lewes is a historic town and therefore the current pedestrian environment is reflective of this. Key issues include narrow footway widths, quality of footway surfacing, and the need for increased footway provision.

Figure 17 - Lewes proposed walking network

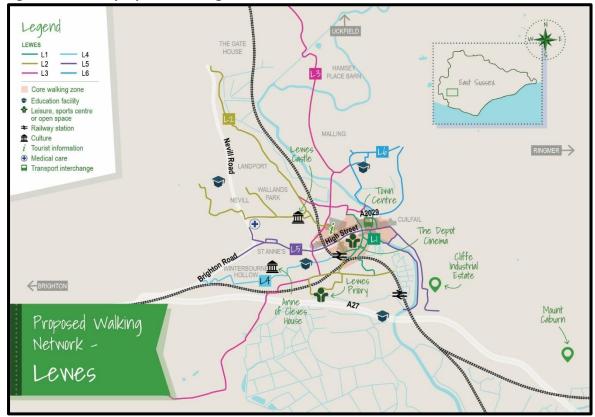


Table 14 - Proposed infrastructure

Table 14 Scheme Number	Scheme Name
L1	Core Walking Zone
L2	Cockshut Road to The Drove
L3	Wellgreen Lane to Whitfield Lane
L4	Elm Grove to Brighton Rd
L5	Brighton Road to Southerham Lane
L6	Phoenix Causeway to Mill Road

(Further information on the development of this network is in Appendix 50.)

Eastbourne & South Wealden - Eastbourne

5.18 ESCC and LDC-EBC are currently undertaking a number of projects to prioritise people accessing the town centre using more active travel. Specific issues identified include the need for more pedestrian crossing points between destinations to improve the directness of routes, reduction of traffic speeds, footway resurfacing, and provision of footways where there are gaps.

Legend EASTBOURNE Eastbourne F2 F5 E3 Core walking zone Centre Education facility Leisure, sports centre or open space ≠ Railway station Medical care Fort Fun A259 Devonshire Quarter Proposed Walking Network -Eastbourne

Figure 18 - Eastbourne proposed walking network

Table 15 - Proposed infrastructure

Table 15 Scheme Number	Scheme Name
E1	Core Walking Zone
E2	Devonshire Place to Wellcombe Crescent
E3	Terminus Road to Park Avenue
E4	Ashford Road to Lottbridge Drive
E5	Cavendish Place to King's Drive
E6	Marine Parade Rd to Birch Roundabout

(Further information on the development of this network is in Appendix 50.)

5.19 With the ambition to be a '10-minute town' where people can access the local services, they need using active travel, pedestrian accessibility in Hailsham is crucial. Key improvements identified for this town include the need to provide greater access to the Cuckoo Trail, increased dropped kerb provision, improved footway widths at certain locations, and the provision of crossing facilities on busier roads.

Legend HURSTHAVEN UCKFIELD HAILSHAM HL2 HL5 HL3 Core walking zone Education facility Leisure, sports centre or open space **m** Culture Knockhatch Adventure Centre ibrary & Cinema Diplocks Industrial Estate Cuckoo Proposed Walking Network -Hailsham

Figure 19 - Hailsham proposed walking network

Table 16 - Proposed infrastructure

Table 16 Scheme Number	Scheme Name
H1	Core Walking Zone
H2	South Rd to Arlington Road East
H3	London Road to Church Road
H4	Battle Road New Road
H5	Marshfoot Lane
H6	Mill Road

(Further information on the development of this network is in Appendix 50.)

Bexhill & Hastings - Bexhill

5.20 With generally an older population living in Bexhill compared to other areas of the county, accessibility is essential. A key issue identified is the need for enforcement to limit parking on existing footways. In both Hastings and Bexhill, it was identified that there was a need for the resurfacing of footways, increased footway widths, increasing pedestrian crossing points and expansion of dropped kerb provision. This would help both Rother District Council and Hastings Borough Council in the regeneration of their town centre areas, and the enhancement of the public realm.

Legend BEXHILL **B5** B3 Core walking zone Education facility Leisure, sports centre or open space ★ Railway station **m** Culture Medical care Ravenside Retail Park Galley Hill Cooden Proposed Walking Network -

Figure 20 - Bexhill proposed walking network

Table 17 - Proposed infrastructure

Table 17 Scheme Number	Scheme Name
B1	Core Walking Zone
B2	Cooden Sea Road to Freshfields
В3	Station Road to Barnhorn Road
B4	Buckhurst Place to Turkey Road
B5	Sea Road to Watermill Lane
B6	Upper Sea Road to Pebsham Lane

(Further information on the development of this network is in Appendix 50.)

Bexhill & Hastings – Hastings

Figure 21 - Hastings proposed walking network

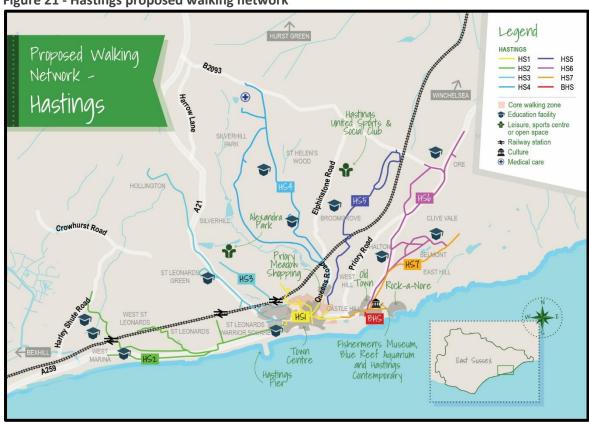


Table 18 - Proposed infrastructure

Table 18 Scheme Number	Scheme Name
H1	Core Walking Zone
H2	White Rock to Harley Shute Road
Н3	Cornwallis Gardens to Hollington Old Lane
H4	Queens Rd to The Ridge

H5	Milward Road to Ivyhouse Lane
H6	The Bourne to Rye Road
H7	Pelham Place to Barley Lane
BHS:	Bexhill-Hastings Seafront

(Further information on the development of this network is in Appendix 50.)

Future Walking Network Development Work – Other Areas

5.21 As outlined above the LCWIP network development for cycling also identified improvements for pedestrians where possible, but the walking network development work has been more focussed on urban centres. ESCC and their partners will review the opportunities to undertake more detailed walking network development assessments in Peacehaven, Seaford, Uckfield, Heathfield, Crowborough, Battle and Rye in the future.

Cycling & Walking Training, Information & Initiatives

5.22 To maximise the use of the potential infrastructure projects listed above, ESCC and their partners will look to continue delivering a programme of cycling and walking training, information and initiatives. This will be subject to funding being secured. (Further details in regards to this is in Appendix 2 East Sussex LCWIP Part 2 Infrastructure Plan Stage 6.)

6. How will the LCWIP be delivered?

6.1 As we have previously stated the LCWIP is dependent on the ability of ESCC and their partners to secure funding. However, to place us in a stronger position to secure the funding necessary to deliver the LCWIP, the plan is underpinned by the following **four** key factors.

1. Embed within strategy and policy documents

6.2 To help ESCC and their partners deliver the LCWIP the first step will be to ensure that it is referenced in other County council and partner strategy and policy documents. When making the case for funding there is a requirement to demonstrate the wider impacts that cycling and walking can support, especially in relation to the environment, health and wellbeing, the economy and planning. So, it is important that it is referenced in documents that cover these key policy areas. For example, we will work with district and borough councils to ensure that the cycle and walking network maps are adopted as part of their Local Plans. (For further information about the specific documents that the LCWIP links to, are included in Appendix 2.)

2. High Quality Infrastructure Design & Engagement

- 6.3 Ensuring that we deliver high quality schemes that are inclusive for all users alongside being safe, attractive and convenient is essential, so that people regardless of their ability or age feel comfortable in using it.
- The government has recently published new design guidance for cycling infrastructure referred to as LTN 1/20. This has a greater emphasis on providing routes that are of a higher quality and are physically separated (e.g. by a kerb or barrier) from the highway or footway. ESCC is already reviewing all programmed new cycle infrastructure schemes against LTN 1/20 and integrating the design guidance where this is feasible. LTN 1/20 will also be utilised as part of the development of new schemes. ESCC will look to follow this guidance where it is feasible or where there are opportunities to adapt the approaches.
- 6.5 Early engagement with key stakeholders and the general public, especially those people that will be the key beneficiaries of a scheme, will remain as a high priority. We will also seek to look at more innovative ways of engaging with people to obtain their views, to ensure acceptability and most importantly to ensure the future use of schemes.

3. Targeted cycling and walking initiatives

- 6.6 Installing new infrastructure, particularly cycling and walking infrastructure, is not always enough to help encourage more people to cycle or walk. How someone chooses to travel is determined by a person's personal circumstances (i.e. their type of employment, how far they need to travel, the need to undertake multiple trips) and importantly how convenient new infrastructure is in enabling them to make those every day journeys.
- 6.7 So we are committed to provide people with walking and cycling initiatives, information and skills to give people the right opportunities to give cycling and walking a try and to move people to changing their travel behaviour towards more active travel for short local journeys or as part of longer journeys. This will build upon existing work, which has been undertaken through previous programmes outlined in section 5.22 above.

4. Partnership working will ensure the delivery of East Sussex's LCWIP

6.8 Partnership working is fundamental in determining the success of ESCC and their partners in securing funding from a range of sources, to enable the delivery of the LCWIP. ESCC is leading on the LCWIP to support an increase in cycling and walking, but significant change will only occur by collaborative working with our key internal and external partners, including the public, commercial and voluntary sector along with embracing any new future partnerships.

Prioritising Schemes

6.9 To help us meet DfT guidance the plan will need to include an indication of those schemes which are of a higher priority over others, particularly for ESCC when applying for national funding. The current prioritised list of schemes is as outlined in figure 22, page 41. However, whilst this prioritisation process is important, it is also recognised that the schemes may not always come forward according to this prioritisation. It is essential that there is a degree of flexibility in the delivery of the plan. This because the plan is dependent on:

- the types of funding which come forward in the future (capital/revenue),
- the purpose and criteria of these funds (i.e. aligned to policies, themes etc.),
 and
- the process associated with accessing the funding and who can access these (ESCC, District & Boroughs, SDNPA, voluntary sector)

Types of funding

6.10 With ESCC and their partners working collaboratively, this will enable a greater range of funding sources to be secured for cycling and walking infrastructure and initiatives.

National Funding

- 6.11 This will include direct applications for funding from the government and larger or smaller scale national or local funding organisations. Examples of potential funding sources include the DfT's Active Travel Fund; the Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government High Streets Fund; Highways England's Designated Funds; the Energy Savings Trust, and British Cycling.
- 6.12 To support the delivery of its 'Gear Change' strategy, with LCWIP's being a key element of this, the Government has allocated £2bn of 'Active Travel Funding' (both revenue and capital) over the next four years.
- 6.13 Revenue funding from the Active Travel Fund, to support the development of LCWIP's and to deliver cycling and walking initiatives in 2021/22, has been allocated to all local authorities. Following the submission of an application earlier this year, ESCC has secured £219,774 of revenue funding to deliver a programme of cycling and walking initiatives and LCWIP development in 2021/22. This includes active steps with workplaces and communities, cycle/electric cycle hire, 'walk once a week' programme' with schools and further development to the ESCC Cycle Hubs at Eastbourne & Peacehaven.

6.14 A key element of an LCWIP is the prioritised programme of infrastructure improvements (outlined in 6.9) for future investment. The DfT advise that this should inform cycling and walking capital funding applications to the Active Travel Fund. ESCC has been invited to bid for capital funding in 2021/22 for spend by end March 2023. For East Sussex an application was submitted to Government in August 2021 to use these monies to support the delivery of Phase 1 of the Hailsham – Polegate – Eastbourne Movement & Access Corridor Scheme and Eastbourne Town Centre Movement & Access Package Phase 2a, both of which are prioritised schemes within the Eastbourne & South Wealden area of the LCWIP, with a bid request for £1.8m. The outcome of the application is expected in autumn 2021. It is expected that further applications to Government will need to be developed and submitted to Government to unlock the further three years of revenue and capital Active Travel Fund monies.

Local Plans - Community Infrastructure Levy & Section 106 Funding

- 6.15 Funding will also be sought through the planning process for new development by securing development contributions. To enable this to happen, the networks will need to be included as part of the district and borough Local Plans and potential schemes included in the accompanying Infrastructure Development Plans, which list the infrastructure required to support future development. This will enable ESCC to specifically request potential schemes included in the LCWIP, as appropriate, when providing responses to planning applications from the district and boroughs. This will be alongside any potential opportunities for communities to allocate Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) funding they receive, to support the delivery of cycling and walking infrastructure, identified within their Neighbourhood Plans.
- 6.16 To support the collaborative nature of the plan ESCC and their partners will be supportive of local organisations in securing and delivering more localised measures and initiatives to support more cycling and walking in the county.

Governance

6.17 The plan will be monitored on an annual basis through the governance arrangements as outlined in Appendix 4; progress and future projects will be reported through ESCC's Capital Programme of Local Transport Improvements.

Figure 22 – Initial scheme prioritisation

Scheme name and location (e.g. postcode and road/street address)	Scheme type	No.of units (Scheme length, area covered, no. of cycle racks etc.)	Total cost (£)	Delivery timescale (1, 4 or 10 years)	Prioritised in LCWIP (y/n)?	Anticipated funding source(s)
Coastal East Sussex –	Priority LCWIP ARE	AS				
Eastbourne & South \	Wealden					
Eastbourne Walking and Cycle Network - Horsey Way Phase 1B (Cavendish Place to Ringwood Road)	Cycle Route	1,825m	£1.3m	1-4	Yes	Local Growth Funding - Secured
Eastbourne Walking and Cycle Network - Langney Rise cycle route	Cycle Route	1,600m	£900k	1-4	Yes	Local Growth Funding - Secured
Eastbourne Walking and Cycle Network- Willingdon Drove cycle route	Cycle Route	800m	£350k	1-4	Yes	Local Growth Funding - Secured
Eastbourne / South Wealden cycling and walking improvements - Stone Cross-Royal Parade via Langney	Cycle Route	3,500m	£3.8m	1-4	Yes	Local Growth Funding - Secured
Eastbourne / South Wealden cycling and walking improvements - Eastbourne town centre cycle routes	Cycle Route	1,300	£500k	1-4	Yes	Local Growth Funding - Secured
Hailsham – Polegate – Eastbourne Movement & Access Corridor Scheme (HPE MAC – PHASE 2 Victoria Drive bus lane	Multi Modal – Bus/Cycle/Pedestrian improvements	Unknown at this stage	-	4	Yes	Active Travel Funding BSIP Funding Other national funding ESCC Capital Programme Development Contributions

HPE MAC – PHASE 3 Ersham Road roundabout, Hailsham	Multi Modal – Bus/Cycle/Pedestrian improvements	Unknown at this stage	-	4	Yes	Active Travel Funding BSIP Funding Other national funding ESCC Capital Programme Development Contributions
Eastbourne Town Centre (Liveable Towns)	Pedestrian/Bus/Cycling improvements – re- allocation of road space		£5.3m	4	Yes	Active Travel Funding ESCC Capital Programme Other National Funding - LUF
Phase 2b: Terminus Road – Langney Road to Grand Parade	Pedestrian/bus/cycling improvements – re- allocation of road space	Approx. 5,500sqm	£6m	4		Development Contributions
HPE MAC – PHASE 4 A2021 Kings Drive/Rodmill Roundabout	Multi Modal – Bus/Cycle/Pedestrian improvements	Unknown at this stage	-	4 & 10	Yes	Active Travel Funding BSIP Funding Other national funding ESCC Capital Programme Development Contributions
Eastbourne Town Centre (Liveable Towns) Little Chelsea (Grove Road) South Street corridor, Memorial roundabout pedestrian improvements	Pedestrian/Bus/Cycling improvements – reallocation of road space	Approx. 3,000 sqm	Memorial Roundabout £1.8m	4 (Memorial) 10 (Little Chelsea South St)	Yes	Active Travel Funding ESCC Capital Programme Other National Funding Development Contributions
Eastbourne Seafront Cycle Route	Cycle Route	Unknown at this stage	£2m	4 and 10	Yes	Active Travel Funding ESCC Capital Programme Other National Funding Development Contributions
HPE MAC – PHASE 5 – Rodmill roundabout to town centre	Multi Modal – Bus/Cycle/Pedestrian improvements	Unknown at this stage	-	10	Yes	Active Travel Funding BSIP Funding Other national funding ESCC Capital Programme Development Contributions
Newhaven Area						

Avis Road – Newhaven	Cycle Route/Toucan crossing/bus stop improvements	825m cycle route	£500k	4	Yes	Active Travel Funding ESCC Capital Programme Development Contributions
A259 – Newhaven – Pevensey	Multi Modal – Bus/Cycle/Pedestrian improvements	Unknown at this stage	£2m	4 and 10	Yes	Active Travel Funding BSIP Funding Other national funding including (MRN) ESCC Capital Programme Development Contributions
Hastings & Bexhill						
Hastings Walking and Cycle Network - Queensway to Silverhill (western) route	Cycle Route	2.7 miles	£500k	1	Yes	Local Growth Funding - Secured
Hastings Movement & Access Route Schemes (MARS) – Seafront Connectivity	Pedestrian improvements at junction and widened footway	Footway widening scheme approx. 90m	£790K	1	Yes	Local Growth Funding - Secured
Hastings Movement & Access Route Schemes (MARS) – Station to Seafront	Pedestrian improvement and cycle parking	Realigned pedestrian crossings and upgraded footway approx. 275m eastern side and 175m western side. Cycle parking provision for up to 10 bicycles.	£1.1m	1	Yes	Local Growth Funding - £774k Secured, DC's/CIL - £51k Secured
Bexhill Walking and Cycling Network: Collington Avenue/Sutherland Avenue junction pedestrian crossing	Pedestrian refuge scheme	1 no. pedestrian refuge	£80k	1		Local Growth Funding - Secured
Bexhill Walking and Cycle Network - Cycle Routes 1 - 9 (East & North Bexhill)	Cycle Routes	6.3km, 3.9m	£1.5m	1-4	Yes	Local Growth Funding - Secured

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Alexandra Park – Conquest Hospital – Hastings	Cycle Route	5km in length. 3.1 miles No of cycle racks yet to be determined	£2m	4 and 10	Yes	Active Travel Funding ESCC Capital Programme Development Contributions
Lewes & South Down	ns National Park					
Regional Route 90 - Lewes	Cycle Route	3.5kms, 2.1 miles	£1.8m	4 and 10	Yes	Active Travel Funding ESCC Capital Programme
A27 – Falmer - Ashcombe	Shared cycling/walking route	Unknown at this stage	-	4 and 10	Yes	Active Travel Funding HE Designated Funding
Lewes Wayfinding	Pedestrian Improvement	Unknown at this stage	£250k	4	Yes	Active Travel Funding ESCC Capital Programme
County Wide						
School Streets County Wide Programme	Pedestrian/cycling – re- allocation of road space	Unknown at this stage	£500k	4	To be included in subsequent updates in 2021.	Active Travel Funding Other national funding – public health ESCC Capital Programme

7. What next?

7.1 In section 2, figure 1, the stages that have been undertaken to help develop the plan were outlined, so that the plan is in accordance with the DfT guidance. Figure 23 indicates the next stages which will be undertaken by ESCC and their partners to ensure that the LCWIP is managed accordingly to be a 'live' document and utilised to support applications for funding and to ensure that schemes are developed, consulted upon, delivered and monitored.

Figure 23 – Ongoing LCWIP Development

LCWIP Funding & Network Review

- Begin to develop a pipeline programme of schemes, outlined in 6.9, for inclusion in future applications for national funding.
- ESCC and partners to apply for funding as it becomes available.
- Review and update the cycling and walking network: -
- o as part of local plan development,
- o strengthen the walking element of the plan,
- potentially identify cycling schemes which align with the new government Local Transport Note (LTN) 1/20 'Cycle Infrastructure Design', and
- potentially include schemes which will provide greater priority for people cycling and walking outside of schools, within neighbourhoods or key centres.
- Review the prioritised list of schemes on an annual basis
- Evaluate schemes and initiatives.
- Monitor the outputs of the LCWIP on an annual basis.

Active Travel England

- 7.2 In July 2020 the DfT published a new cycling and walking strategy, referred to a 'Gear Change'. The strategy is focussed on providing more space for people cycling and walking by reallocating more road space for either fully segregated cycle routes or closing roads to traffic to create low traffic neighbourhoods. To help support this the DfT is establishing a national funding body and inspectorate referred to as 'Active Travel England'.
- 7.3 The role of this will be to:
- provide expert advice regarding scheme design and stakeholder consultation,
- administer funding & review funding applications,
- enforce scheme design standards and time limits on scheme delivery, and
- publish annual reports on highway authority's performance in relation to cycling and walking infrastructure.





7.4 To respond to this ESCC will be commissioning a study to review the opportunities for delivering these types of schemes in the County. This will commence in 2021/22.

East Sussex Local Transport Plan 2020 Review

7.5 ESCC will commence a review of their Local Transport Plan 2011 - 2026 during 2021/22 to reflect the changes in policy and the likely impacts of the Covid - 19 Pandemic, which will change future travel patterns in the short and longer term. The LCWIP will be subject to further updates, to reflect this document.