

Have your say - Ring Fort Path

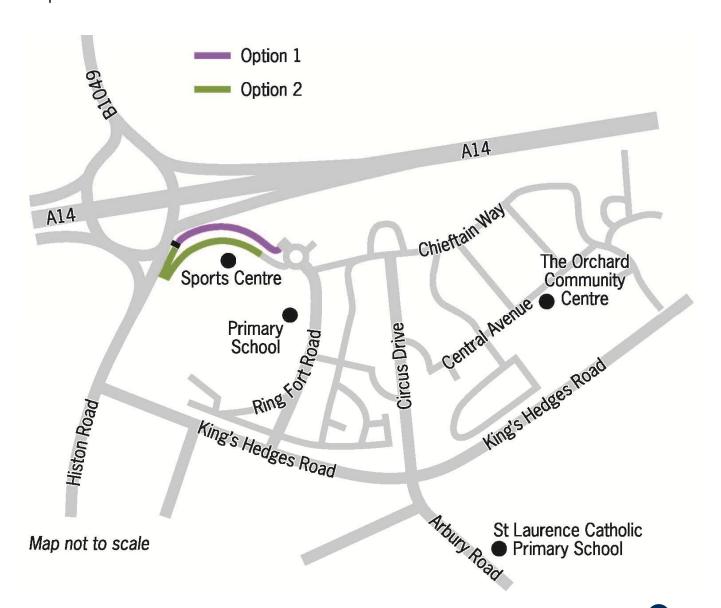
A new foot & cycle link between Orchard Park and Histon & Impington

We are looking at ways to provide a more direct access for pedestrians and cyclists from Orchard Park to Histon and Impington. Developers in the area have contributed £350,000 towards a new path. This would provide a link from the end of Ring Fort Road up the A14 interchange embankment to existing foot and cycleways along the B1049.

Please let us know your views by completing the survey overleaf or online by **Monday**, **1 December 2014**.

What are the proposals?

We have been investigating several possibilities and found two potential options, shown in the plan below.



Option 1 – A fairly straight path sloping up the embankment

- This will provide a direct route to Ring Fort Road without having to negotiate a bend.
- There is the risk of cyclists and others traveling at speed down the path creating potential conflict with other users.
- A significant number of trees will need to be removed to allow access for this route.

Option 2 – A zigzag path

- This will provide a route to Ring Fort path and be closer to the sports area, pitches and skate park.
- Cyclists and others will need to keep speed low enough to negotiate the bend, reducing the potential for conflict.
- Less trees will need to be removed.

Why is the new path needed?

Currently, residents from Orchard Park, who walk or cycle to Histon and Impington or vice versa, have to make quite lengthy detours via the Busway or King's Hedges Road. Many are currently scrambling up the embankment damaging trees and risking personal injury.

A new link would make access easier, quicker and about 500 metres shorter, encouraging more people to walk or cycle.

What happens next?

The preferred option from the consultation will be taken forward to undergo detailed ground investigation surveys on the embankment of the A14 interchange.

If the embankment is stable enough to support the scheme, a full design will be developed for political approval. If the embankment is not stable, steps with cycle ramps would be pursued.

Find out more

Come along to one of our exhibitions to discuss the plans and talk to a member of staff:

Mon 10 Nov	3.00 – 6.15pm	Room 2, The Meadows Community Centre St Catharine's Road, CB4 3XJ
Wed 12 Nov	3.00 – 6.45pm	Large Hall, Orchard Park Community Centre Central Avenue, Orchard Park, CB4 2EZ

An online survey, further information and drawings are available at: www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/cycling

Email: <u>transport.delivery@cambridgeshire.gov.uk</u>

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Have your say

Please complete the questionnaire below and let us know your views by **Monday**, **1 December 2014**. Your answers will help us to improve our plans and shape the scheme.

If you would like to be kept up-to-date with the progress of these proposals and related transport consultations, please provide us with your contact details. These details will not be used for any other purpose and are stored in Accordance with the Data Protection Act.

Name		
Email		
1. Are you a resident of?		
Orchard Park 🔲 Histon & Impington 🔲 The Meadows 🔲 north Cambridge 🔲		
elsewhere please state		
2. How do you usually travel in the area? (tick all that apply)		
on foot by bike by car by bus by bus		
other please state		
3. Do you visit the following locations in the area? (tick all that apply)		
Orchard Park sports facilities		
Histon & Impington		
4. Do you see a need for improving access from Orchard Park to Histon & Impington?		
Yes No Not sure		
5. Which option would you prefer? (tick all that apply)		
Option 1 Option 2 Neither		
6. Would you approve of steps with cycle ramps, if neither Option 1 nor Option 2 were feasible?		
Yes No Not sure		
7. Do you have any further comments?		

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