

# ST IVES GREENWAY

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## Spurs to Fen Drayton and Over

Have your say on a new walking, cycling and horse riding route connecting St Ives, Over, Fen Drayton, Swavesey and Cambridge.



# Timeline

We are consulting the public on a number of enhancements to the existing St Ives Greenway. These enhancements will improve connectivity between settlements adjacent to the Greenway such as Oakington, Cottenham, Over and Fen Drayton.



**GCP Executive Board approval**



**Obtain planning consent**



**Develop designs**



**Construct & build**

On-going consultation with key stakeholders, land owners and the wider public.

## HAVE YOUR SAY

We want to continue to understand the views of local communities and other interested parties on our proposals and use this feedback to help produce the design for this scheme.

The consultation period will be for eight weeks from midday 6<sup>th</sup> February to midday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023.



Fill out the online questionnaire and find design drawings at <https://consultcambs.uk.engagementhq.com/gcp-st-ives-greenway-1>



Download or request a paper questionnaire and return to: **Greater Cambridge Partnership, PO Box 1493, Mandela House, 4 Regent Street, Cambridge, CB1 0YR**



We will be holding one virtual event on Microsoft Teams.

### Virtual Teams Event

**Date:** Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March

**Time:** 19:30-20:15

Please register details online at: <https://consultcambs.uk.engagementhq.com/gcp-st-ives-greenway-1>

## NEXT STEPS

Your feedback will be analysed once the consultation period ends. The findings will then be compiled into a summary report and made available on our website. Your views alongside the Equality Impact Assessment will be considered by the GCP Executive Board.

## GET IN TOUCH



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# WHAT IS A GREENWAY?

Greenways will be new or improved walking, cycling and, where appropriate, horse riding routes. They will follow off-road paths, along quiet streets or with improved facilities on busier roads. They will help more people reach more of Greater Cambridge with safer, easier and more direct journeys.

## The Challenge

The Greater Cambridge Partnership is investing to secure sustainable economic growth and improve the quality of life for everyone in our area.

However, Greater Cambridge faces a range of issues as a result of how we travel, including:

**Slow journey times due to the continued growth of traffic and congestion**

**Limited public transport choice and a lack of attractive walking and cycling routes**

**Toxic air pollution and high carbon emissions due to limited viable alternatives to the car**

## Meeting the challenge

The Greater Cambridge Partnership (GCP) was awarded £500million to improve our transport network, aimed at making journeys quicker, cheaper and greener. Some of this money will be used to develop the Greenways, which will provide better walking, cycling and, where appropriate, horse riding routes and enhance public spaces where possible. This will help to:

**Reduce the impact of traffic congestion and growing traffic levels**

**Help people access jobs, education and opportunity**

**Reduce air pollution and improve our health**

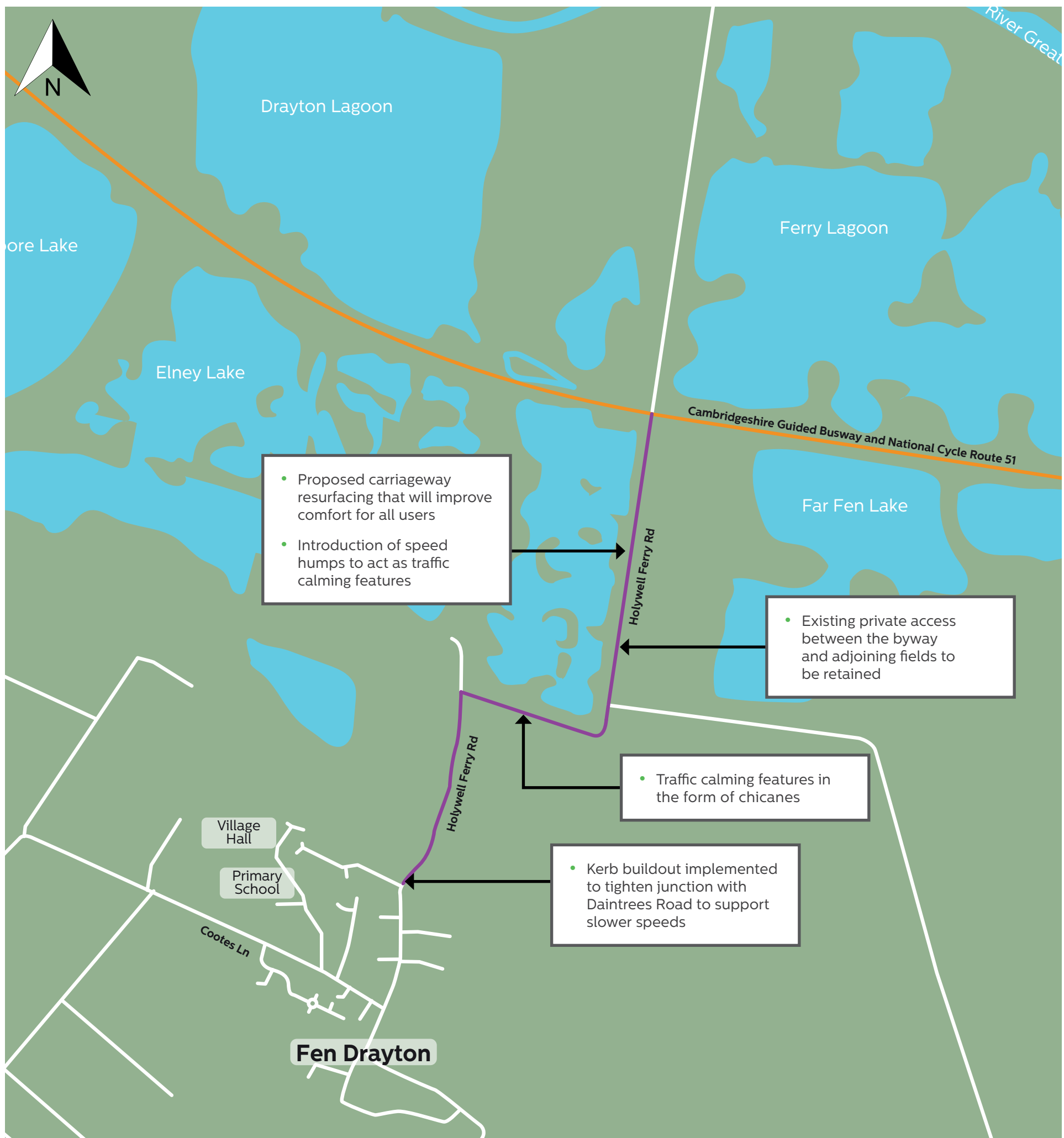
## THE ROUTE AND PROPOSALS

The St Ives Greenway will follow the guided busway path and connects St Ives with Cambridge and the Science Park. The route runs past several settlements, including the villages of Over and Fen Drayton, and is popular with people walking, cycling and riding horses.

The proposals involve upgrades to existing roads and public rights of way, which connect the communities of Over and Fen Drayton to the existing guided busway. The proposals would improve provision for people walking, cycling and, where appropriate, horse-riding.

Holywell Ferry Road will be resurfaced to include traffic calming features which will enhance connections from Fen Drayton to the Greenway for all users. A new bridleway will be created between Over and the guided busway along the route of the existing footpath.

**We want to hear what local people, organisations, and businesses think about these proposals.**



## Greenway improvement types

The St Ives Greenway will include the following types of route sections:

### A. QUIET ROAD

On sections of the route using quieter roads where vehicle speeds are reduced, white painted markings would be added to the carriageway where appropriate. Where there is no existing footway, signage may be used to warn motorists that this is a multi-use route.

### B. NEW/UPGRADED SHARED USE PATH

A shared use path would typically include a three-metre-wide hard track with a two to three-metre-wide grass verge for soft surface users (including horse-riders) running parallel. Where the path runs beside the carriageway, a verge will separate the path from the road, where possible.

### C. EXISTING SHARED USE PATH

Existing shared use path for pedestrians, cyclists and equestrians that follows the route of the guided busway, opened in 2011, owned and operated by Cambridge County Council. The Busway connects St Ives to Cambridge and provides facilities for walking and cycling throughout.

### Find out more online

The map illustrates the scheme alignment and key proposals. Technical drawings for the St Ives Greenway can be viewed at: <https://consultcambcs.uk/engagementthq.com/gcp-st-ives-Greenway-1>

### Flood Monitoring

Long-term flood monitoring work is being undertaken for the St Ives Greenway in the Swavesey area. This monitoring will help us understand how best to design long-term flood protection measures along the route.

