

Notes from Cycling & Walking Working Group meeting 17/05/2021 @3:30pm
Present: Cllr D Wheeler (Chair & minutes), Cllr A Russell, S Burton, B Marks
Apologies: Cllr J Gyngell

1. Outstanding items from the last Minutes
 - a. DW to contact the BTC Clerk for an update on the wall at the rear of Tills Yard, especially with regards to permissive access between the high street and Battle Schools Greenway. Needs agreement with landowners and accessibility, bearing in mind a potential height difference.
2. Report on progress made with contacting neighbours & service providers.
Letters have been sent to:
 - a. B&L School - no reply - DW to send reminder email
 - b. Aysgarth (via a relative) - no reply - DW to send reminder email
 - c. Southern Water - reply received - DW to follow up with a second letter stating that the project will go forward, and to ask for their reply regarding the fencing.
 - d. Saxonwood cottage - reply received
 - e. Historic Buildings & Monuments Commission for England - no reply - DW to ask Natasha@EH for advice.
 - f. Battle Abbey - no reply - DW to send reminder email
 - g. DW to add the cottages near Park Lane to the list of properties to contact
 - h. DW to contact those properties who we have not spoken to yet
3. "Levelling Up" project.
 - a. SB has been in contact with Lisa Simmonds, and will update the group with any news. Although the Levelling Up project provides funding it was agreed that without agreement from all parties and a quote we cannot begin to think about funding.
4. Opportunities for active travel surrounding new developments:
 - a. Agreed that at the next meeting the group will make a list of major housing developments in the area which would benefit from connectivity to the existing footpath network. There may be ties with both Policies and Community Aspirations already in the Battle CP Neighbourhood Plan. From this there will be a proposal to incorporate the aspiration into the P&T Committee action plan.
5. Next steps:
 - a. Establishing cost: Agreed that the technical specification document created August 2020 ("Proposal for Active Travel implementation - Battle") could be used as a basis for establishing an order of costs. DW to draft an introductory letter to be sent alongside this document to BTC Clerk to seek initial quotes (as a 'desktop exercise'), to eventually choose a preferred contractor. Once agreed, this will be a proposal from the WG to P&T Committee.
 - b. Three agenda items for P&T Committee meeting in June:
 - i. Links to major housing developments (see 4a)
 - ii. Costing proposal (see 5a)
 - iii. Proposal for Tills Yard access (see 1a)
6. Date of next meeting: Possibly 2nd or 3rd June, maybe 7pm. DW to ask Cllr Would for times which would suit her.

Meeting finished 4:45pm
