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Quiet Lanes Suffolk

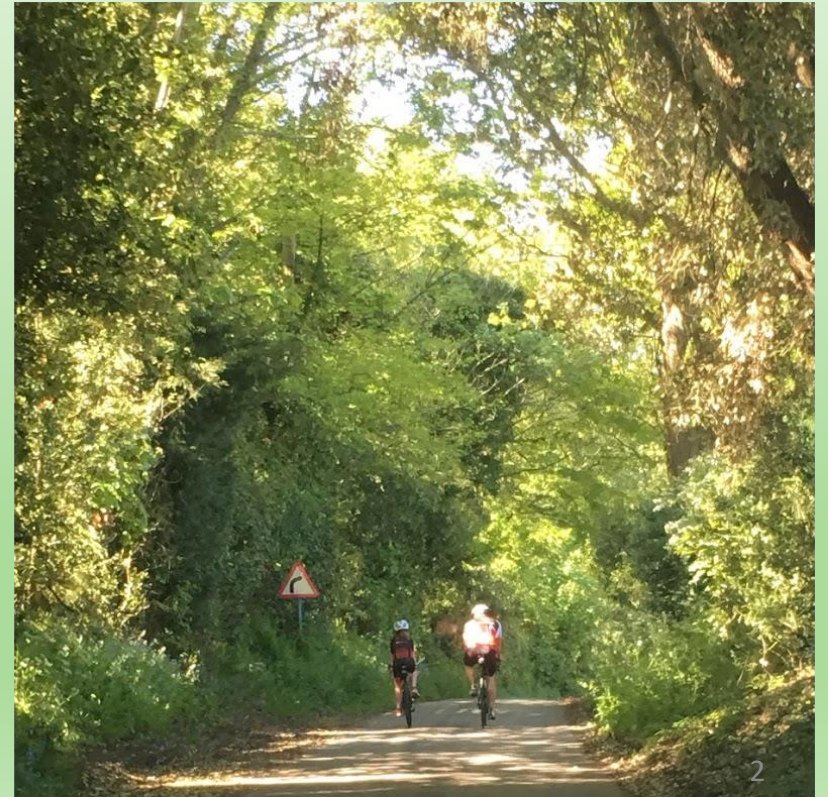
Bucklesham

What is a Quiet Lane?



Nationally recognised designation for rural single track roads

- With no road markings or footpaths
- With low traffic flows/speeds
- Shared by -
 - Walkers
 - Cyclists
 - Horse riders
 - Motorised users



Why have a Quiet Lane?



- Motorised users to ***‘Expect and Respect’*** more vulnerable road users
- Walkers, horse riders and cyclists can enjoy rural lanes in greater safety
- Help to retain the rural nature & tranquility of country lanes



Other benefits



- Encourage sustainable & active travel options
- Connect to existing Public Rights of Way
- Include as a policy in your Neighbourhood Plan*
- BUT don't expect to use it for 'traffic calming'



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“Safer places and safer spaces are important...

The importance of remaining active and taking exercise outdoors has been stressed as part of the response to Covid-19”



Quiet Lanes Suffolk - 2014 Pilot



In 2013-2014 there was a pilot project in Suffolk Coast & Heaths Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) that resulted in 13 lanes for 7 Parishes within the AONB being designated as a quiet lane

- Bromeswell
- Butley
- Chillesford
- Eyke
- Newbourne
- Felixstowe
- Waldringfield



Quiet Lanes Suffolk 2021



- Costs for individual small parishes were prohibitive*
- Quiet Lane Suffolk (QLS) board have been working with SCC Highways to develop a community 'self-help' model which will cut costs considerably
- QLS have submitted a bid to the Suffolk 2020 Fund to fund costs for a Suffolk wide project using this model to designate suitable lanes across the county
- This project is also being supported by East Suffolk Council's Greenprint Forum and Community Partnerships

A few Facts and Figures



- Over 400 individual lanes nominated (we were anticipating around 200)
- Involving 193 parishes, which is over 40% response rate of all 483 Suffolk parishes (we anticipated around 70)
- Totalling up to 500km (more than double our initial guesstimate)
- ‘Expect & Respect’ marketing campaign is included to raise awareness for drivers and other road users
- £285,000 SCC 2020 Community Fund grant + £40,000 East Suffolk Local Partnership grant
- Raised interest at national level

Steps to designating a Quiet Lane



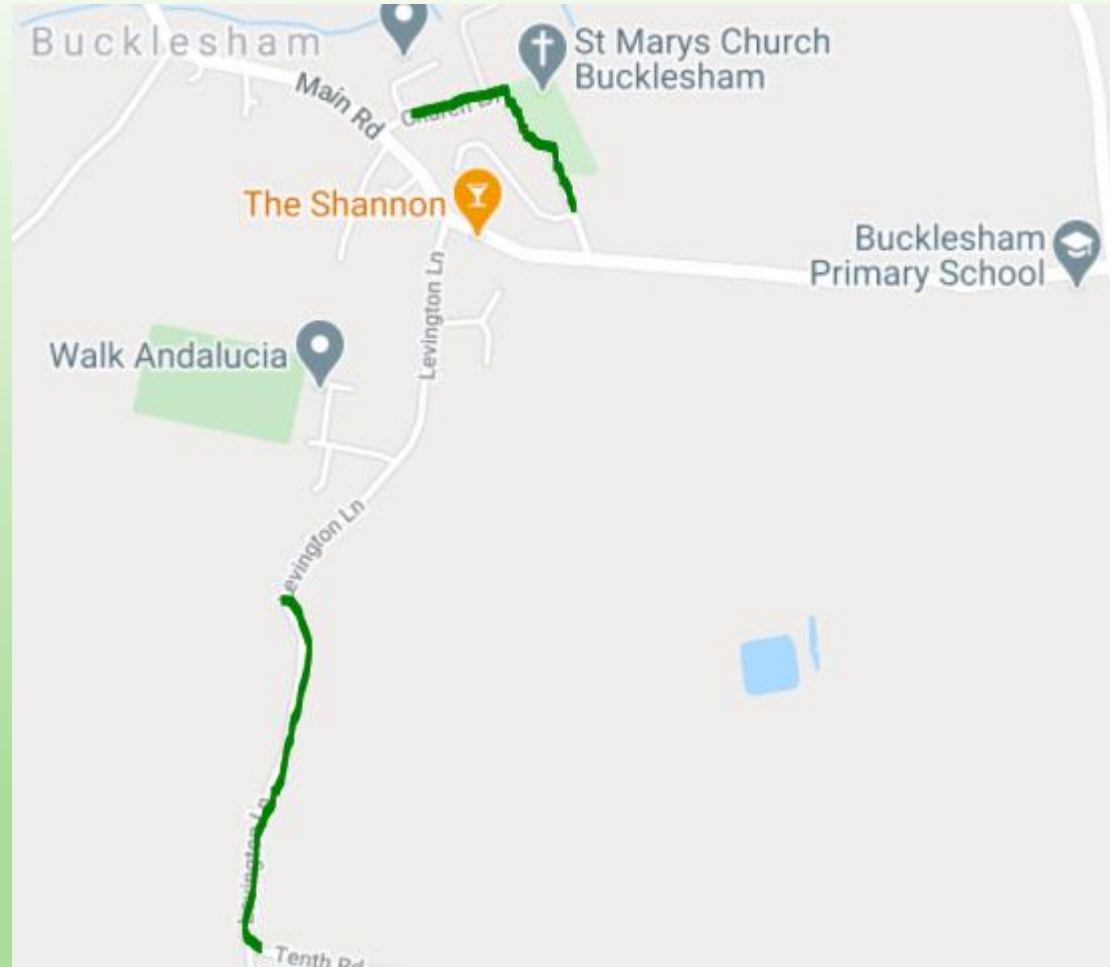
1. Parish Council register possible lanes and initiate costings s/sheet
2. SCC Highways confirm that each lane is suitable
3. PC advertise project in Bucklesham Bugle
4. PC hold Public Consultation meeting
5. PC finalise costs
6. SCC Highways Publish legal notices with a copy being passed to all residents in each lane (21 days to get comments in)
7. SCC Highways either 'Approve' or Decline' each lane
8. If approved, SCC work with PC to agree final location of signs and posts and SCC install

Which Lanes have been suggested in Bucklesham?



- Church Lane (from beyond entrances to Church Close and St Mary's Park)
- Levington Lane (from beyond number 92 to Tenth Road)

Map...



Questions....Comments?



Over to you....



More information



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- Facebook - [QLS Page](#) for general info
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