New Malden to Raynes Park Link

Public Consultation
19 June - 17 July 2017
Vision

The new 1.2km (0.75 mile) walking and cycling path from New Malden to Raynes Park forms one of 10 new schemes being developed as part of the Go Cycle programme in Kingston (see route map below).

The Mayor of London and Transport for London have allocated Kingston Council £30 million to create new walking and cycling routes to improve road safety for everyone, upgrade public spaces and relieve the pressures on the borough’s transport network. This forms part of the Healthy Streets vision for London, enabling people to adopt healthier lifestyles and active travel choices.

This latest scheme will open up a traffic-free route between New Malden Railway Station and Raynes Park Recreation Ground. The path will run along Thames Water land, parallel to the railway line, passing under the A3 Kingston by-pass and avoiding busy or lengthy alternative routes. Journey times between these areas for pedestrians and cyclists will be improved.

Consultation

We want to know what you think. Your feedback will help shape the final plans.

You can talk to a member of the Go Cycle team about the proposals at one of the following exhibition events:

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<td>Thursday 22nd June 2017</td>
<td>New Malden Methodist Church 49 High Street, KT3 4BY</td>
<td>2.00pm-4.00pm</td>
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<td>Wednesday 28th June 2017</td>
<td>Raynes Park Library 21 Approach Road, SW20 8BA</td>
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<td>Saturday 1st July 2017</td>
<td>Christ Church New Malden 91 Coombe Road, KT3 4RE</td>
<td>10.00am-Noon</td>
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<td>Wednesday 5th July 2017</td>
<td>Christ Church New Malden 91 Coombe Road, KT3 4RE</td>
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Please answer the questions listed within this leaflet. Post the document back to us in the Freepost envelope supplied. Alternatively you can answer the questions at www.kingston.gov.uk/gocycleconsultations

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Timeline

Engagement with residents and stakeholders started in March 2015, a process that has been invaluable in helping to shape and inform the scheme.

March 2015 Stakeholder and resident information events
June 2015 Engagement with local residents
January 2016 Resident update events
June / July 2017 Public consultation and exhibitions (See above)
Autumn / Winter 2017 Committee review
Spring 2018 Detailed design
Spring / Summer 2018 Construction starts
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The new pedestrian cycle path will provide a new route for the local community.

Access Points

The entrances to the new link will be inviting and in keeping with the surrounding environment. The entrances will be presented as ‘gateways’ onto the new path, welcoming local residents to use the space and travel through.

Education

As part of the development of the scheme, local school children will be involved in the establishment of nature trail installations.

Key

- Proposed path
- Existing railway line
- Existing roads
- Scheme boundary
- Proposed fence
- Shared access path
- Repositioned crossing
- Access point
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Wildlife and natural environment

One of the great benefits of opening up this path is the opportunity it affords the local community to access and enjoy the flora and fauna along the route.

Care and attention to detail has been given to understanding, recording and enhancing the local bio-diversity of the space. Ecology surveys have been carried out and the design of the path directly reflects the needs of the local environment along the route.

As part of the design of the scheme, a nature trail could be developed with information boards, installation of bird and bat nesting boxes, and retention of natural wetland, which are essential to various wildlife.

The path will be lit in a manner sensitive to the ecology and wildlife of the area, particularly long-eared bats that are present in this corridor.

Security

Security has been considered carefully throughout the engagement and design process, for those using the path and for residents whose gardens abut the space. A number of design elements have been included to meet this need, including a new fence that will run along garden boundaries, native planting to provide property privacy and security, and lighting along the length of the path.

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<td>Residents wanted to ensure that security for people using the path and of the adjacent gardens was prioritised.</td>
<td>The scheme includes a proposed fence at the boundary of adjacent gardens, defensive planting and lighting along the path</td>
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<td>There was a desire for the scheme to be regarded as a community space not simply a link from A-B.</td>
<td>An interactive nature trail and entrance features designed with local school children will create a space that is welcoming and open to all.</td>
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<td>It was requested that consideration was given to the flora and fauna in the design and delivery of the link.</td>
<td>The design of the scheme takes into account the legal requirements (bat-friendly lighting) but also focuses on nurturing wildlife habitats.</td>
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Questions

1. The New Malden to Raynes Park link will provide a quiet, traffic-free walking and cycle route as well as providing access to green space and educational opportunities. How often do you think you will use the space?

☐ Daily
☐ Weekly
☐ Monthly
☐ Less often
☐ Never

Do you have additional feedback about how you will use the link?

2. The proposals outlined in this brochure will improve accessibility between New Malden and Raynes Park, providing a direct route by-passing busy alternative roads and the A3. To what extent do you agree with the following statements?

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<td>Nature trail features (such as information boards)</td>
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3. To what extent would you like to see these elements included in the design for the New Malden to Raynes Park Link?

4. Please tell us if you have any further comments about the proposals.
5 Have you heard of Go Cycle before?
☐ Yes  ☐ No  ☐ I’m not sure

6 Where have you heard about this consultation?
☐ Leaflet through the door  ☐ Local newspaper
☐ Online advert  ☐ Word of mouth
☐ Social media  ☐ Other (please state)  ☐ Picked up a leaflet  ☐ Council website

7 What gender are you?
☐ Male  ☐ Female  ☐ I identify in a different way  ☐ I prefer not to tell you

8 What is your age?
☐ Under 16  ☐ 16-24  ☐ 25-34  ☐ 35-44  ☐ 45-54  ☐ 55-64  ☐ 65-74  ☐ 75+
☐ I prefer not to tell you

9 Do you have a long-term physical or mental health condition or disability?
☐ Yes  ☐ No  ☐ I prefer not to tell you
If you answered yes to question 9, please answer question 10

10 What is the nature of your disability, mental health issue or other health issue?
☐ Physical/mobility  ☐ Learning disability  ☐ Sensory
☐ Health diagnosis  ☐ Mental health  ☐ Other  ☐ I prefer not to tell you

11 What is your ethnic group?
☐ White  ☐ Mixed Asian or Asian  ☐ Black or Black British  ☐ Korean
☐ Other ethnic group  ☐ I prefer not to tell you

12 Please indicate if you are commenting as (please tick only one):
☐ a local resident  ☐ a local business  ☐ a visitor
☐ a community organisation  ☐ someone who works in the area  ☐ prefer not to say
☐ other

13 To help us with our analysis, we would appreciate if you provide us with your postcode. This information will not be used to identify you personally or your individual property.
Your postcode:

If you would like to receive more information about Go Cycle, please add your e-mail details below:
Your email:

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