

WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

SECTIONS 65 & 66 HIGHWAYS ACT 1980

PROPOSED CONVERSION OF FOOTWAYS TO SHARED USE FOOTWAYS/ CYCLE TRACKS AT RUGBY ROAD, BINLEY WOODS

1. STATEMENT OF REASONS

- 1.1 Warwickshire County Council is proposing, pursuant to sections 65 and 66 of the Highways Act 1980, to convert parts of existing footways on the A428 Rugby Road, Binley Woods (as described with approximate measurements in the Schedule below) into shared use footways/cycle tracks for use by pedestrians and cyclists in accordance with the proposed signage and markings.
- 1.2 The shared use footway/cycle track will create a new cycle route along the A428 Rugby Road, between the existing cycle route and crossing facilities on the A46 to the west and junction of Rugby Road and Oakdale Road to the east. The A428 is a busy main road between eastern Coventry and the Warwickshire settlements of Binley Woods and Brandon. There are currently no cycling facilities although Binley Woods is within a short distance of existing and planned cycle routes in Coventry. The Binley Woods cycle route will help to provide a safer connection between the cycle routes within Coventry and quiet roads within Binley Woods, which connect with local facilities.
- 1.3 The existing footway will be widened and street furniture will be relocated to provide additional space to accommodate the shared use facility. There will be benefits to pedestrians, cyclists and disabled users through widening and resurfacing the footway and improved signing.
- 1.4 The provision of a shared use, inter-urban cycle route, separated from motor traffic, supports the core design principles and other guidance set out in Local Transport Note 1/20 Cycle Infrastructure Design.
- 1.5 These proposals are detailed on drawing number 66202784-SWE-XX-XX-D-C-1111 Rev P01.

SCHEDULE

(footways to be converted to shared use cycle track)

A428 Rugby Road (southern side)

The length of footway on the South side of A428 Rugby Road, commencing at the access road into Greens Home and Garden Centre for a distance of approximately 250 metres with a width varying between 2.5 metres and 3.0 metres in an easterly direction towards the junction with Oakdale Road.