

Appendix 1 Community Aspirations

Issues raised during consultation that cannot form part of the Neighbourhood Plan as they are not development issues.

Items added to the Infrastructure Development Plan for consideration by CDC:

- IDP 324 renovation to Boxgrove Sports Pavilion
- DP 213 Halnaker improvements to pedestrian safety and reducing traffic speeds in Halnaker particularly along the A285
- IDP 199 Boxgrove improvements to pedestrian safety and reducing traffic speeds in Boxgrove, whilst protecting the special character of the conservation area
- IDP 649 Traffic calming at Halnaker crossroads

Additional issues raised at consultation:

- Enhancing succession tree planting
- Enhancing and extending existing play and exercise facilities.
- Providing opportunities for youth activities
- Providing a voluntary transport system
- Providing more litter bins and dog waste bins
- Provide a strategy for traffic, pedestrian, equestrian and cycle management which is consistent and effective and which minimises signage clutter
- Provide changes to road management to influence driver behaviour and divert traffic onto more appropriate roads

Note:

Two projects are currently under way:

1. Traffic calming - go to <https://www.boxgrovenp.co.uk/traffic-calming-proposals> to view latest plans
2. Proposed Diversion of PROW FP369/1 North Halnaker - landowner to be approached about possible diversion of path

Issue

At present the pavement along the A285 from central/south Halnaker stops just after Oakford Park when travelling north. Due to the width of the road, high verges and mature hedging creating a pavement is not feasible or desirable. This means that it is not possible to reach Mill Lane and the Windmill along the pavement from Halnaker.

The only way to reach Mill Lane is along the footpaths crossing Boxgrove Common from Tinwood Lane and the network to the south towards Boxgrove. Due to the stiles and kissing gates it is not possible for wheelchair and pushchairs to use these footpaths.

Any residents north of Tinwood Lane, particularly Oakford Park, wishing to walk to the windmill, therefore, need to walk south before turning north in the direction of Mill Lane.

Proposal

Diverting the existing footpath from the crossing point opposite Warehead Farm parallel to the A285 behind the hedge along the margins of the field to the proposed access point adjacent to Wayside Cottage will give direct access to the pavement south to Halnaker.

It also means that any residents north of Oakford Park could walk down into Halnaker directly.

Furthermore, if the footpath turns south east at this point, along the field margin boundary with Oakford Park, it could then join up with existing PROW at one or two alternative points by the Devils Ditch.

The existing PROW across farmland from this point north could then be abandoned. This would likely make crop management easier.

This diversion potentially would lead to less congestion at the informal parking area at the junction of Mill Lane with the A285, due to people walking rather than driving.

Issue

Footpaths throughout the Parish could be enhanced to allow dual use by pedestrians and horses/cycles. In particular the following could be enhanced:

New bridleway linking bridleway 3575 with Tinwood Lane (this is a long-standing used route but is not legally recorded as a bridleway);

Establishing a bridleway from Boxgrove village along footpath 285 (Town Lane), across the A285 using a suitable road crossing facility, and then running south-west would encourage walking and cycling use to/from Strettington and, if extended to Maudlin, would be a safer link to Chichester;

Establishing a bridleway from Boxgrove village connecting direct to Tinwood Lane would allow future cyclists to access directly into the South Downs whilst avoiding use of the A285.

Historic rights of access to land at Halnaker Quarry should be researched and recorded to assist with reinstatement in 2021 the the quarry is due to be restored to pen pasture and mixed woodland.

Proposal

The Parish Council will set up a sub-committee or working group of enthusiastic residents who will work with WSCC PROW Officers to seek a way forward with these aspirations.