



Officer Decision Report

Date:	05/05/2026
Title:	Iver Heath Footway Improvements & Shared Used Conversion Consultation
Cabinet Member(s):	Councillor Thomas Broom (Deputy Leader and Cabinet member for Transport)
Ward Member(s):	Councillor Paul Griffin & Councillor Wendy Matthews
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Ward(s) Affected:	Iver
Decision:	Approval to proceed with the public consultation for the conversion of existing footways to shared used footways on Thornbridge Road, Church Road and The Parkway in Iver Heath.
Reason for decision:	The scheme aims to link and upgrade existing footways to shared-use status, improving local active travel infrastructure and encouraging a modal shift, particularly for Pinewood Studios' workforce amid the ongoing studio expansion.

1. Background

- 1.1 Pinewood Road in Iver is a key route connecting the A412 and Five Points Roundabout to Pinewood Studios. The existing infrastructure along Pinewood Road includes a shared-use path on the western side of the road, providing space for both pedestrians and cyclists.
- 1.2 The scheme aims to link the existing shared-use path with the proposed Iver Cycleway as part of the Council's Pinewood to Iver Station Cycleway vision, improving active travel infrastructure and encouraging a modal shift, particularly for Pinewood Studios' workforce amid the ongoing studio expansion.
- 1.3 The first phase of the Iver Cycleway will install a new toucan crossing on Pinewood Road together with localised shared use conversions and parking restrictions. Details of the decision

can be found here.

<https://buckinghamshire.moderngov.co.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=1844>. These works are expected to be delivered in Summer 2026 by Buckinghamshire Council.

- 1.4 As part of the same phase, the Pinewood Developer is also delivering on-road improvements to support a Quietway cycling route between Pinewood Green and Thornbridge Road, this is part of their existing planning commitments. Connecting the new Toucan crossing point on Pinewood Road with the next phase.
- 1.5 Phase 2 focuses on improvements between Thornbridge Road shops and A412 Church Road adjacent to the existing zebra crossing. These improvement works will include widening the existing footway to three metres between the shops and The Parkway along Church Road, together with on-road signing and lining for a Quietway along The Parkway frontage.
- 1.6 The proposed extents of the shared use conversions are detailed in the following table, along with the details of the whole scheme are shown in Appendix A.

Table 1 - Locations and its Proposals

Road Name (and Extents)	Proposal
The Parkway – Opposite No. 268 towards a point adjacent to property No. 170, for approximately 21 metres.	Conversion of existing footway to shared used pedestrian and cycle paths.
Church Road - From No. 170 The Parkway in a north-easterly direction towards the roundabout with Thornbridge Road (on the westerly footway for approximately 146 metres)	
Thornbridge Road – From the roundabout with Church Road to No.9A (on the southern footway for approximately 32 metres)	

2. Authority to take this decision

- 2.1 The Council scheme of delegation is contained within the Council’s constitution.

3. Other options available, and their pros and cons

- 3.1 Option 1 (Preferred Option) – Only the shared use conversion is subject to public notice. Resurfacing of existing footway and repositioning of existing street furniture is deliverable under the Council’s permitted development rights as Highways Authority. The scheme is to promote road safety, improve user comfort for walkers, wheelers, and cyclists, and aims to achieve these benefits without significant alterations to the highway or impacts to nearby residents and businesses.
- 3.2 Option 2 – Do nothing – Not implementing the shared use facility will result in the funding no longer being available for the delivery of the cycleway improvements in the Iver Heath area. Section 106 funding is ringfenced to specific measures in the area.

4. Local Councillors & Community Boards consultation & views

- 4.1 Briefing session was held in August 2025 with Members of Iver Parish Council outlining the proposals for the Iver Cycleway. A follow up briefing was held with the local ward members in

February 2026 following completion of the feasibility study. The revised proposals following this engagement are outlined in Appendix A.

- 4.2 Consultation for the shared use conversions will take place between the 8 May and 29 May 2026. Available to view on the [Your Voice Bucks - Citizen Space](#) website.
- 4.3 An Equalities Impact Assessment (EqIA) has been completed in Appendix B, enabling the Council to check the potential impacts on residents and employees of our policies, services and projects.

5. Financial & Legal Implications

- 5.1 Buckinghamshire Council is delivering the consultation, design and construction with funding secured from Section 106 developer contributions.
- 5.2 Section 65 of the Highways Act 1980 allows the local traffic authority to create shared use paths by converting the footway within the highway. Works are expected to be delivered in Summer 2026.
- 5.3 As Highway Authority, the Council has permitted development rights under The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 Part 9 to carry out these works.

6. Your questions and views

- 6.1 If you have any questions about the matter contained in the paper, please get in touch with the Contact Officer whose email address is given at the head of the paper.

7. Appendices

Appendix A – Iver Heath Footway Improvements Consultation Plan

Appendix B – Iver Heath Footway Improvements - Equalities Impact Assessment April 2026

Approval Signature



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Date: 29/04/2026