



Title: LSTF Cycle Route – Torquay Sea Front Section – Update on Proposals

Wards Affected: Tormohun, Cockington with Chelston

To: Transport Working Party

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1. Key points and Summary

- 1.1 The Local Sustainable Transport Fund (LSTF) funding allocation for the provision of a Frequent Ferry Service between Brixham and Torquay includes for the implementation of dedicated cycle routes to link the service to Torquay Town Centre and Torbay Hospital.
- 1.2 Whilst the Working Party have recommended implementation of the proposed routes, further details were requested for the proposed Torquay Sea Front section of the route.

2. Introduction

- 2.1 The Working Party considered the proposed implementation of the LSTF Cycle Routes in Torquay Town Centre at their meeting on 5th September 2013.
- 2.2 The Working Party recommended implementation of the routes, however officers were requested to consult further and review the Sea Front section of the route in more detail, as there were concerns in respect of the use of the promenade area adjacent to the Princes Theatre as a shared use route.
- 2.3. Further discussions have taken place with the Harbours Authority and the Executive Lead Members and a revised route, removing the promenade section, has been produced, which keeps cyclists on the carriageway 'with traffic' in this area and this has now been agreed with the consultees concerned.
- 2.4 The route will however provide for shared use footways/cycleways along the existing wide footway adjacent to Torre Abbey Sands and will provide links via upgraded crossings in to the existing National Cycle Route.
- 2.5 The off road cycle link between Fleet Street and the Harbour will remain using shared use paths and the footbridge, although cyclists will be requested to dismount when using the bridge. An alternative signed route via the Strand and Victoria Parade will also be provided to ensure that cyclists can be signed to and

from the Harbour at times when the bridge is inaccessible.

- 2.6 The remaining approved sections of the LSTF Cycle Route are currently in the process of being implemented.

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Appendices

Appendix 1 - Proposed Layout of the Torquay Sea Front Section of the LSTF Cycle Route

Documents available in members' rooms

None.

Background Papers:

Local Transport Plan

Application for Pinch Points funding to Dft

Report to Transport Working Party – 5th September 2013.