

This proposed route into Buckingham Town centre from Lace Hill will be a useful link for pedestrians and cyclists. It will also provide a useful route across the parish linking areas like Page Hill to other neighbourhoods in Buckingham. These cross routes are a missing feature in Buckingham's infrastructure.

On the three detailed sections within the route: -

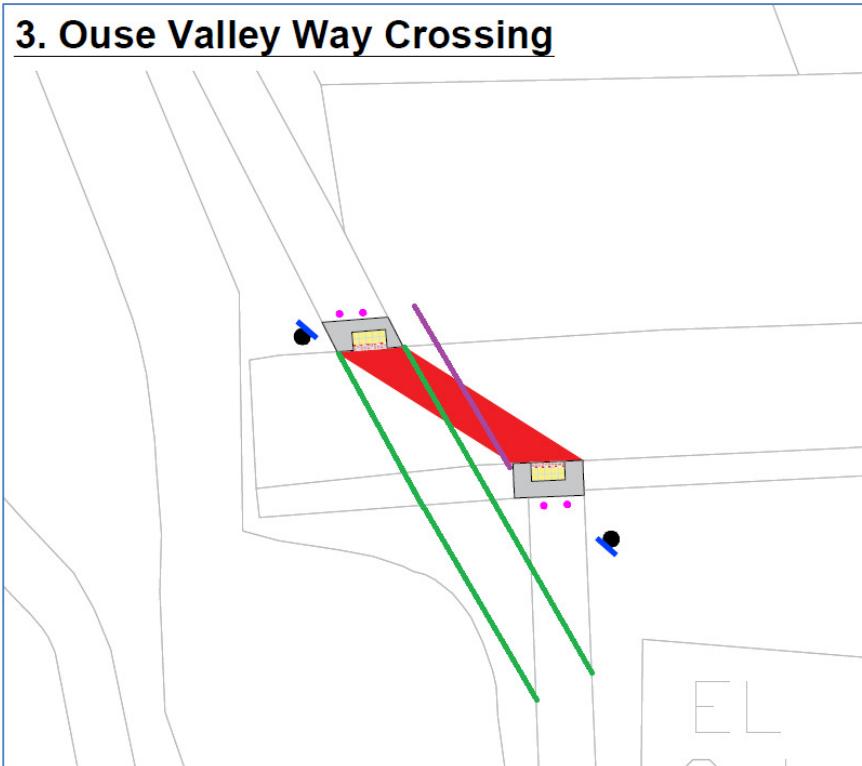
1. Hare Close – Should have dismount signs at both ends of this narrow footpath and consideration should be given to additional lighting.
2. Bourton Road – this road crossing which is adjacent to the junction with Badgers Way should be a minimum of a zebra crossing. Simply marking a red section on the road is unlikely to make crossing this road safe. In the two links that follow which detail the government's recommendations on crossings I cannot find any reference to simply painting across a road with red markings. This is an unacceptable solution

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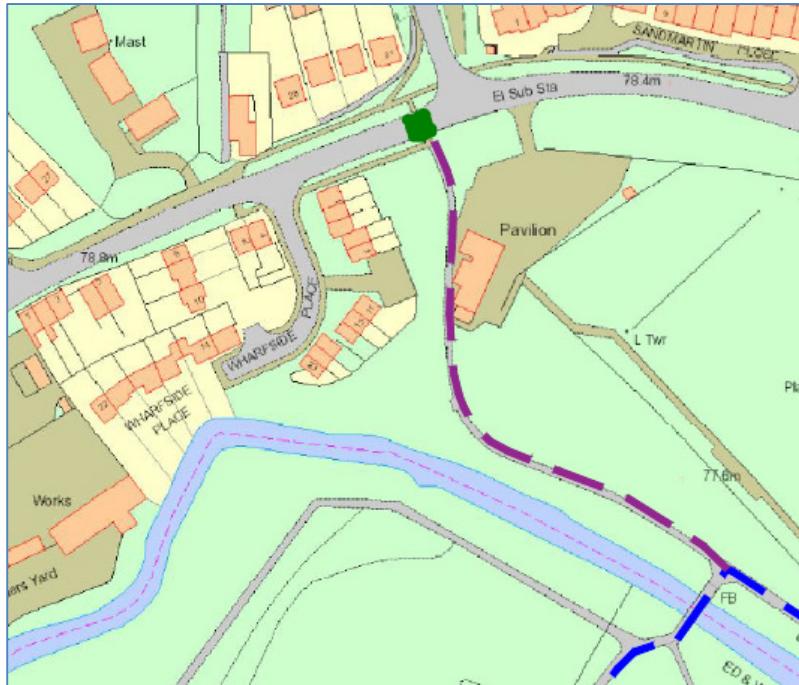
3. Ouse Valley Way – this location is the dead end of a cul-de-sac of Burleigh Piece. A preferred option would be to reroute the last 10 metres the southern approach to Burleigh Piece to line up with the northern section. Then isolated the pathway from vehicles by erecting a barrier or a gate way (if maintenance access is required by this route). If the modification of this section was accepted then the markings and signs currently indicated would not be required.

See diagram below - realignment of path in green marking and a barrier in purple.



The route marked in red which joins the Stratford Road (A422) near the junction of Page Hill Avenue should also specify a pelican crossing on the Stratford Road (location marked in green). This would provide a link to the northern side of Stratford Road to Buckingham Primary School via Maids Moreton Avenue (BUC/41/1) and Page Hill Avenue / Buckingham Hospital / Buckingham town centre bus stand etc.

It would also provide a safe link to neighbourhoods south of the A422



Additional Notes

Both Bourton Road and Stratford Road have 30 mph speed restrictions it is understood that from both speed watch and speed pipe results both of these roads experience vehicles travelling in excess of this restriction.