Stratford Cycle Forum – Town Transport Group meeting, 11th May 2023

Local Walking and Cycling Infrastructure Plan, summary of update provided by WCC:

- 1. **B4632 Campden Road:** a new cycleway has been constructed alongside the road, linking the Long Marston Airfield development with Lower Quinton and Meon Vale.
- 2. **Canal towpath, Timothy's Bridge Road to Bishopton Lane:** the existing surfaced path from Birmingham Road is to be extended to Bishopton Lane. Timing to be confirmed.
- 3. Canal towpath, Bishopton Lane to Wilmcote: WCC have commissioned a study, report due soon.
- 4. **A3400 Birmingham Road:** construction of phase 2 to start very soon, further review and design of phase 3 is underway. Timetable for design, release of information, and construction of all phases to be confirmed.
- 5. Hamlet Way and Masons Road links via Canal Quarter: WCC comments include the (welcome) statement that 'Existing but redundant railway bridge over the canal and tunnel under the railway to be considered.' Drawings of the proposed layout shown at the meeting did not take this into account the drawings showed the tunnel route apparently blocked by buildings and no direct link to Masons Road. There is an opportunity to provide a good link between the Birmingham and Alcester Roads for pedestrians and cyclists. The proposed Canal Quarter layout should incorporate this. WCC state that SDC are leading on this.
- 6. **Greenhill Street:** currently on hold, this should link with the route along Alcester Road to provide an entrance to the town from the railway station.
- 7. **A429 Warwick Road:** WCC have received funding for safety improvements, hopefully these will include improvements to the existing ambiguous road markings. Timing and scope of work to be confirmed.
- 8. **Potential new bridge near Clopton Bridge:** WCC have, for some time, been stating that preliminary design work is underway. Could the outline proposals be shared? Particularly details of the access arrangement at either end of the bridge.
- 9. **B4086 Tiddington Road:** CF had requested that whilst re-surfacing works are carried out (understood to be planned for this year) road markings are revised to include cycle lanes. WCC have advised that there is insufficient space to do this.
- 10. **A422 Banbury Road:** WCC list this as a scheme, we have requested details (unclear what is proposed, there are already cycle lanes.
- 11. **Shottery Relief Road:** details of proposed cycle facilities still awaited, including connections to Alcester and Evesham Road cycle routes. Also, timetable to be confirmed.
- 12. **A4390 Severn Meadows Road:** WCC have noted that the speed limit would need to be reduced if an on-carriageway cycle lane was introduced. This would be welcome; the existing 50 mph limit within the town does not fit well with the idea of encouraging cycling and walking. (And over the short distance involved makes no practical difference to journey times.)
- 13. Greenway LMA connection: this has been built.
- **14. Greenway surfacing:** WCC envisage that their contractor will start work this winter, scope to include tarmac surfacing of the whole length of the Greenway. In the meantime, maintenance is urgently required to the many areas that frequently become waterlogged.
- **15. Two Shires Greenway (Broom to Stratford):** the scheme has received £312,000 of CIL funding from SDC
- **16. Stratford to Shipston Tramway route: potential for** WCC to work with Sustrans. Separately there are plans to clear vegetation from the Old Tramway Walk which is on SDC owned land.
- 17. **A3400 'S278 Works' between Seven Meadows Road and Clifford Lane:** according to the WCC list of schemes this work is due to start in July. It is unclear if the Tramway route and a safe route for cyclists heading to Clifford Chambers will be accommodated. Awiating release of drawings when WCC have completed technical approvals.