

**LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 SECTION 65(1) AND 66(4)
PROPOSED SHARED USE CYCLE WAY**



NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in accordance with Section 65(1) and 66(4) of the Highways Act 1980 Lancashire County Council propose to convert the following lengths of footway to joint use cycleways:-

- On the eastern footway of Kay Street from 38 metres North of Bacup Road to its junction with Bacup Road.
- On the northern footway of Bacup Road from its junction with Kay Street to a point 42 metres in an easterly direction.
- On the southern footway of Bacup Road 27 metres from its junction with Kay Street to its junction with Fallbarn Fold.
- On the western footway of Fallbarn Fold from its junction with Bacup Road for a distance of 14 metres in a southerly direction.
- From the southern extent of Fallbarn Fold, north of the River Irwell, to the Toucan Crossing at the northern side of Bocholt Way.
- On the footway to the South of the River Irwell from the Bocholt Way / Fallbarn Crescent Junction eastwards until it meets Fallbarn Road.

The 'Valley of Stone' route aims to provide a safe and mainly off-road cycle route running from Rawtenstall to Rochdale through the Rossendale Valley. It provides an East-West cycle link for towns and villages in Rossendale.

Certain short sections of the route will not allow for off road or quiet road use, so in these sections shared use cycle track will need to be provided to allow safe and efficient travel.

In order to provide this safe facility it is intended to widen the existing footway in certain places there by allowing an increased width for shared space reducing the risk of conflicts between cyclists and pedestrians.

It is proposed that once widened, the footway status will be removed pursuant to s66(4) of the Highways Act 1980 and simultaneously replaced with a cycle track in accordance with s65(1) of the same Act.

A copy of the associated documents may be inspected on Lancashire County Council's website at <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/roads-parking-and-travel/roads/roadworks-and-traffic-regulation-orders/permanent.aspx>

Documents can also be requested by email at tro-consultation@lancashire.gov.uk, or in writing to The Director of Corporate Services, Lancashire County Council, P O Box 78, County Hall, Preston PR1 8XJ **quoting ref: LSG4/894.12486/AFR.**

Note. The above alternative arrangements for the inspection of deposited documents is connected with the effects of coronavirus.

Any representations or objections (specifying the grounds on which they are made) relating to the proposal must be made in writing and should be sent to The Director of Corporate Services, Lancashire County Council, P O Box 78, County Hall, Preston PR1 8XJ or by e-mail to tro-consultation@lancashire.gov.uk **quoting ref: LSG4\894.12486\AFR** before the 15 January 2021.

**Laura Sales, Director of Corporate Services
11 December 2020**