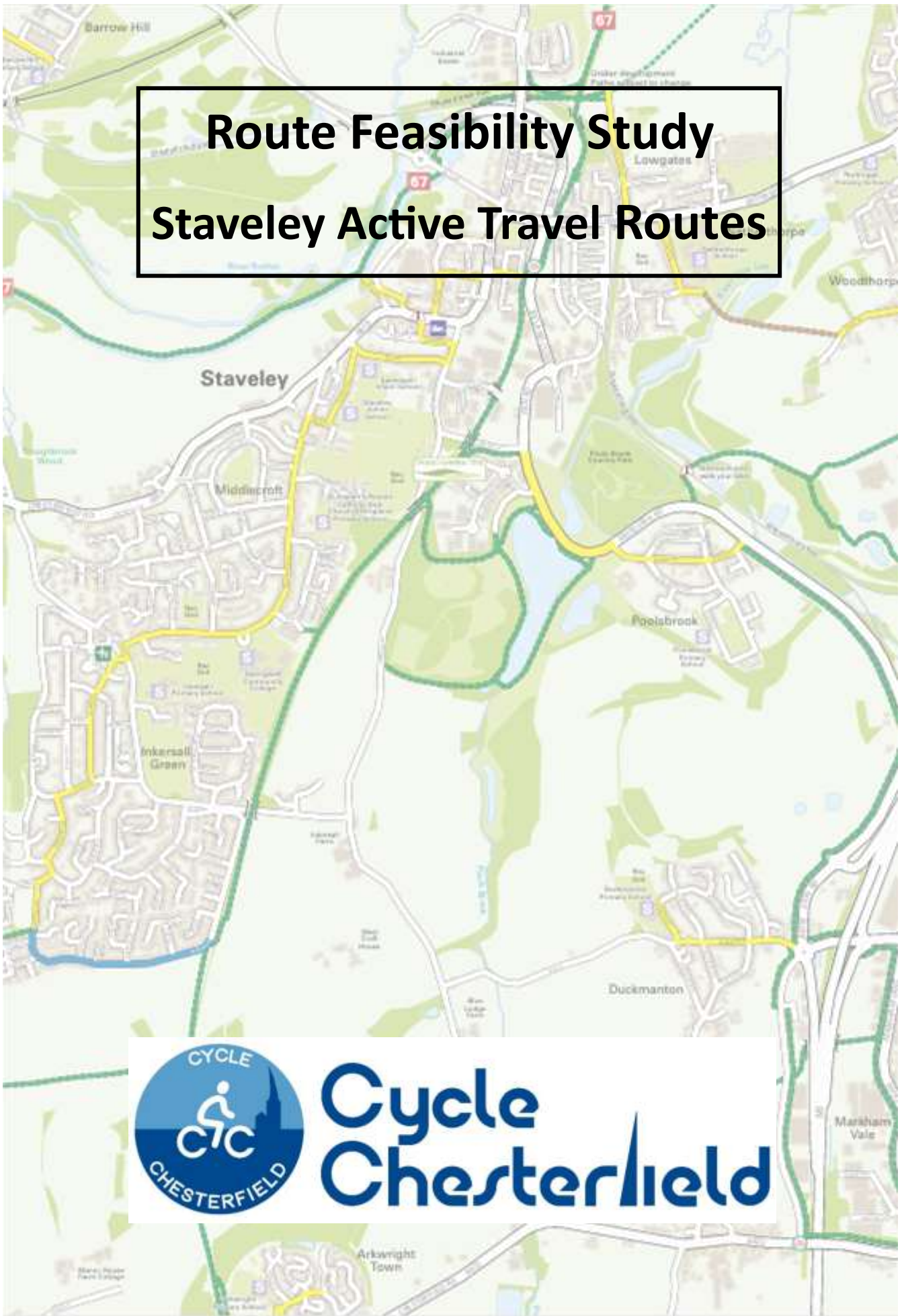


# Route Feasibility Study Staveley Active Travel Routes



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## The Vision

To create a network of high quality active travel routes for walking, wheeling and cycling in Staveley and Mastin Moor. These new routes linking schools and residential areas would build on a network of existing routes along the Chesterfield canal towards Inkersall and Poolsbrook and north to Rother Valley Country Park enabling travel by sustainable means for both short and longer journeys

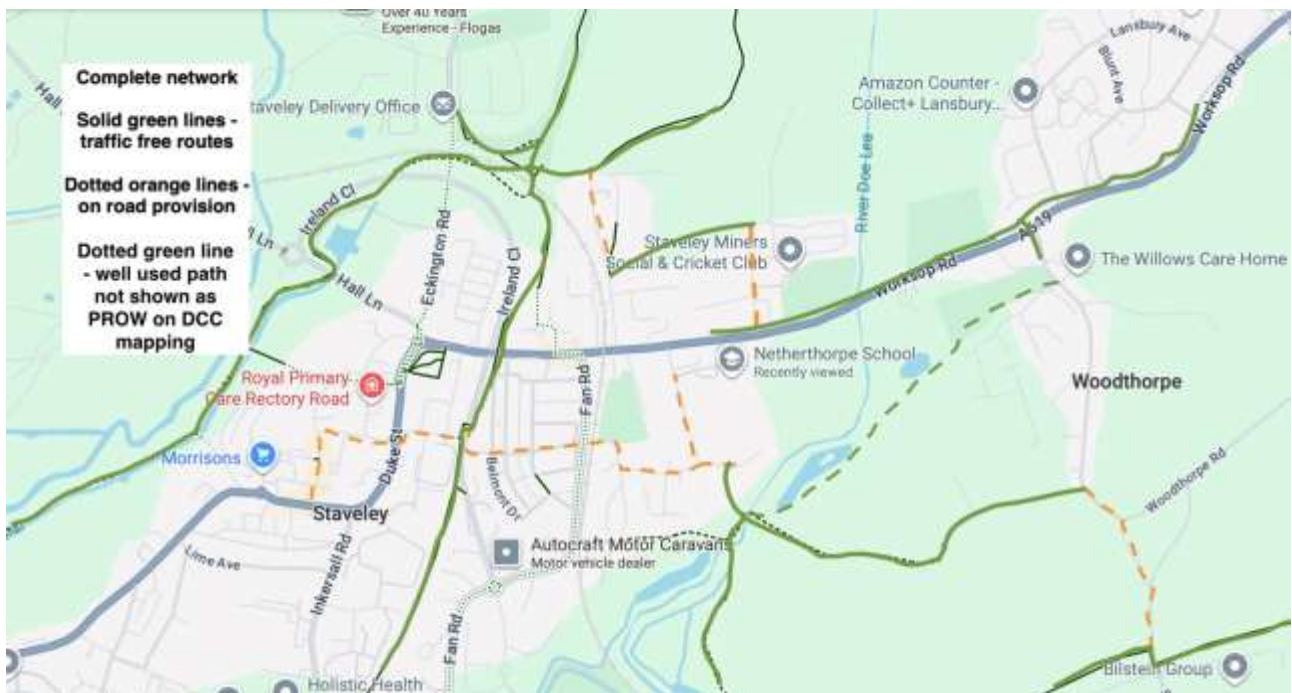
## The Proposal

These new routes would connect a proposed housing development on Bent Lane, new and existing residential areas at Mastin Moor, with local retail and town centre facilities, and onward travel to Chesterfield. These routes would also create health, well being and recreational opportunities directly from Staveley to Rother Valley Country Park and Chesterfield Canal (The Trans Pennine Trail, National Cycle Network Route 67).

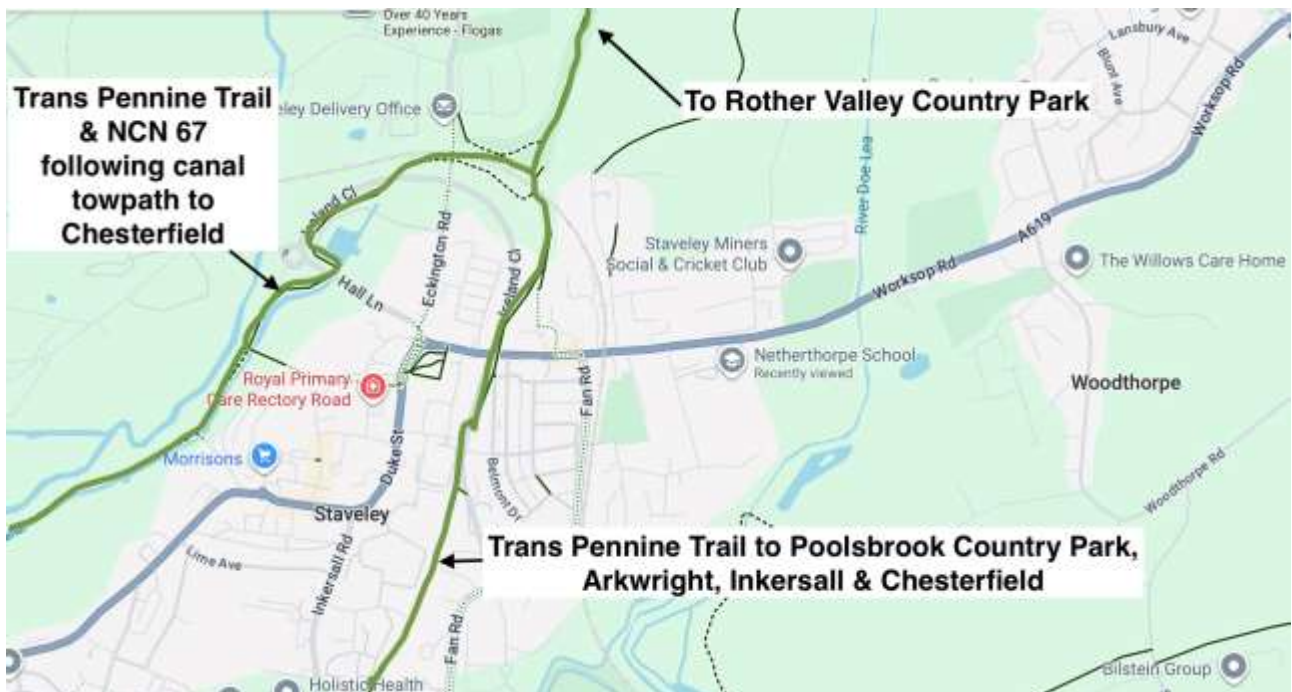
## Scheme Benefits

- The main 'spine' route from the Chesterfield canal to Mastin Moor provides access to employment, education, shopping and leisure facilities by a low cost, sustainable alternative transport choice benefitting health and well being. These communities contain areas of deprivation and reduced access to personal transport.
- Improvements to existing bridleway/footpath from Woodthorpe into Staveley will provide connections from the Clowne Greenway and Markham Employment Growth Zone.
- The proposals would create a network of routes linking to residential areas, schools and neighbouring communities in Poolsbrook and Duckmanton.
- Building of safe routes to schools will encourage active travel and a reduction in congestion on the A619.
- Providing travel choice for residents and visitors alike, with a high quality positive alternative safe journey experience.
- Providing connections to longer distance routes / places for leisure.
- There is a well used caravan and motorhome site at Poolsbrook Country Park and a network of well connected routes will benefit the local visitor economy.
- The improvement of this corridor into a high quality, safe and accessible multi user corridor would entail little or no disruption in both installation and use of existing highway infrastructure. The proposed routes are all on local authority owned land.
- Investment in high quality active travel infrastructure supports increased take up by both existing and new walkers, wheelers and cyclists.

## Plan of the full Staveley Active Travel Scheme



## Existing active travel routes in Staveley



## **Key Stakeholders**

### **Staveley Town Council**

#### **CBC councillors**

##### **Staveley North**

- Vacant
- Vacant

##### **Staveley Central**

- Jacqueline Ridgeway
- Barry Dyke

#### **DCC councillors**

##### **Staveley North & Whittington**

- Mark Cliffe

### **Chesterfield Borough Council**

### **Derbyshire County Council Active Travel Team**

### **MP Toby Perkins**

### **MP Louise Sandher Jones**

#### **Norbriggs Primary School**

- Arran Tasker (head teacher)

#### **Netherthorpe School**

- Rachel Sutcliffe (head teacher)

### **Mastin Moor Community Garden**

## The Proposal in Detail

### Main Spine route from the Chesterfield canal multi user trail to Mastin Moor

The Chesterfield Canal is currently being extended from its current terminus at Hartington Basin past Bellhouse Lane towards Renishaw. The new section of canal will have an extension of the multi user trail on its northern bank.

A new bridge will connect from the northern bank into Bellhouse Lane (a quiet cut de sac) suitable as an active travel link. After 200metres there is a proposal to build new houses on land off Bent Lane with an existing footpath passing through the site.

Bent Lane will then be used for the active travel route until it meets the A619 at a current T junction.

The footway on the northern side of the A619 from the 'All Inn' to the traffic lights adjacent to Norbriggs Primary School can be widened and resurfaced to provide a multi user shared path.

Beyond the Norbriggs traffic lights there is ample room for a shared path to continue on the Northern side allowing access to the existing Mastin Moor housing.

If the traffic lights were changed to Toucan crossings this would allow safe access to Norbriggs Primary School for cyclists and allow access to the large housing development being constructed opposite the existing Mastin Moor housing.

Mastin Moor Community Garden and the proposed district centre will also be linked into the network.

Netherthorpe School at drop off and pick up times results in traffic congestion on the A619. An alternative entrance could be provided into the school by building a roundabout at the junction of Bent Lane and the A619. With crossings of Bent Lane and the A619 this would allow safe access to the school for students walking and cycling and provide an alternative drop off point instead of using Ralph Road which is a residential road. It would also benefit any potential development off Bent Lane.

### Chesterfield Canal towpath to Mastin Moor improvements

Ensure multi user trail built through Bent Lane development.

Widen footway on north side of A619 to create shared route.

Convert Pelican crossings to Toucan.

Build roundabout at end of Bent Lane to create new entrance to Netherthorpe School



## Additional link route from Woodthorpe to Staveley town centre

An existing cul de sac leading to bridleways and footpath from Woodthorpe to Netherthorpe school was recently severed when a bridge over a river collapsed. Derbyshire County Council will reinstate the bridge soon. This route will benefit from resurfacing but then with a short on road section forms a link route from the Clowne Greenway, Markham Employment Growth Zone business area and passing Woodthorpe Primary school.

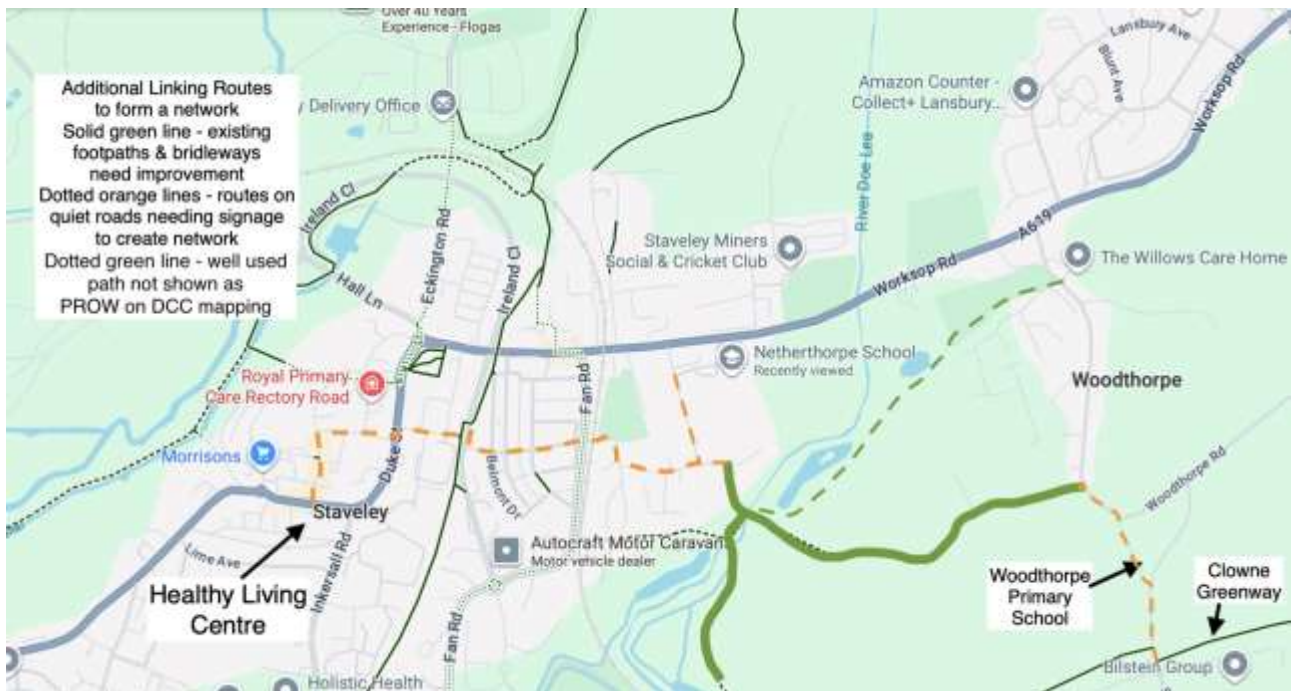
There is an additional link to the south leading to a shared path to Poolsbrook and Duckmanton villages and giving access to Poolsbrook Country Park.

Between Netherthorpe school and Staveley town centre a marked route on quiet roads allows a through active travel corridor.

### Woodthorpe to Staveley town centre improvements

Improve traffic free link from Woodthorpe to Netherthorpe school.

Designate on road route from Netherthorpe school to Staveley town centre.



## Summary of Staveley active travel network

Creating an attractive active travel network connecting Staveley to Mastin Moor, Woodthorpe and Poolsbrook will benefit students at the three schools, enable opportunities to access workplaces, reduce congestion, health and social cohesion. By creating links to the already existing Trans Pennine Trail and National Cycle Network it gives access to Chesterfield, Inkersall, Markham Employment Growth Zone and Rother Valley Country Park for non car use.

An important addition to this proposal is that there is a comprehensive way finding scheme with signage which links into a wider scheme including routes in and around Chesterfield.

Bolsover already has a comprehensive scheme with bespoke signage and an app. Ideally this would be built on to include this area and Chesterfield.