**South of the Borough Neighbourhood Committee**  
8 October 2015  
**Jubilee Way Cycle route (southern end) - outline proposals**  
Report by the Director of Place

### Purpose
To consider development of the outline proposals for a cycle route along Jubilee Way, and to agree the consultation/approval process.

### Recommendation
To **Resolve** that the environmental impacts of the scheme continue to be investigated and the cycle scheme for the southern section of the Jubilee Way be developed in accordance with the consultation arrangements proposed in paragraphs 10 -11 of the report.

### Key Points

A. At its meeting on 15 July 2015 the Neighbourhood Committee received an initial report on a proposal for a shared cycle/footway on the east side of Jubilee Way. The Committee approved the scope of the works set out in the report, and identified a number of additional points that were to be considered as part of the initial investigations. (These will be dealt with later in the report.)

B. The Committee drew attention to the potential development taking place in and around Jubilee Way, the potential increase in demand for local facilities, and the need to provide improved infrastructure to encourage the switch to more sustainable modes of transport.

C. The key element of the initial investigation is to establish the condition of the vegetation along the eastern edge, as concerns were expressed about potential loss to the vegetation along Jubilee Way and the need for greenery along this route was confirmed.

D. The detailed design for the section of the route at the Cox Lane/Jubilee Way transition has been highlighted as a safety issue, and it has been agreed that Committee’s community adviser, Simon Jakeman (a frequent cyclist on this route), will be involved in the feasibility work for any scheme progressed.

### Context and update

1. Initial investigations are underway for the shared cycle/footway along Jubilee Way (please refer to map at Annex 1) and discussions have been held with colleagues from the Council’s Parks and Open Spaces team, to assess the level and quality of the vegetation along the eastern edge. The a strip of highway land is of varying widths, between 10 and 12 metres, and contains many trees and shrubs.

2. Colleagues have advised that most of the established trees are set well back from the edge of the eastern kerb line, while the nearer, visible vegetation is mostly self seeded and its loss would not be a major concern.
3. The mature trees are approximately 15 metres from the kerb line, but it will be important to ensure that, in removing the vegetation in front of the tree line, gaps will not be created in the green ‘elevation’. It is likely therefore that a replanting schedule will be necessary as part of any planned work.

4. In terms of designing an appropriate facility, it is important to have current traffic data. Due to the summer holiday period, it has not been possible to have traffic surveys undertaken until this month. The data from the traffic surveys will be shared with Members when the findings are received.

5. An additional element which was proposed by officers in the July report to the Neighbourhood Committee was to improve links across King George playing fields, through to Queen Mary Close/Hook Rise South and on to Tolworth. At that July meeting, it was indicated by a member of the public that a facility already exists along some of this route, which may simply require improved maintenance, such as the link from the west end of Davis Road to Queen Mary Close. However, it is understood that there are lighting issues along this path and these are currently being investigated with the Council’s lighting contractor.

Proposal and Options

6. The scheme element currently investigated only covers the section of Jubilee Way from its southern edge up, to a point just passed the two bus stops, which is approximately 330 metres in length and this can be seen at Annex 1. The works involved here will primarily involve the clearance of self seeded vegetation and the construction of new shared footway/cycle way, 3 - 3.5 metres wide.

7. Any new facility would need to be assessed in terms of lighting requirements and an assessment of current lighting standards has been commissioned, which will also advise on any requirements for additional lighting.

8. The area surrounding the proposed site is primarily grassland, recreation grounds and other open space, apart from the very south west edge which is a surface car park, and as such there are no direct consultations required.

9. The July 2015 Committee meeting also asked for further investigations into the cycle links with Epsom and Ewell; links through open spaces and that the extension of the scheme along the remainder of Jubilee Way would be undertaken at a later date. A scheme has been included in the borough’s annual LIP submission for 2016/17 allowing a continuation of the project, should Members support the proposals.

Consultations

10. As highlighted above there are no directly affected residential or business properties, but as part of the scheme development officers will be liaising with stakeholder groups such as Kingston Cycle Campaign and Cox Lane Business Forum, as well as interested parties such as the Committee’s Community Adviser.

11. It is recommended, given that there are not many consultees in the immediate vicinity, that officers prepare a draft scheme in consultation with Ward members (and any other interested parties identified by the Committee), to be reported back to Neighbourhood Committee for approval.
Timescale

12. It is expected that the scheme will be prepared and issued for consultation by mid October, so that a report can be provided to the December Committee. If a scheme approval is forthcoming at that stage, the detailed design will be carried out in December 2015/January 2016, with a view to starting works in March 2016.

Resource Implications

13. There are no resource implications to consider at this time, and this will be covered when the scheme report is submitted in December 2015.

Legal Implications

14. There are no legal implications to consider at this time, and this will be covered when the scheme report is submitted in December 2015.

Risk Assessment

15. There are no risk issues that need to be assessed at this stage, and this will be covered when the scheme report is submitted in December 2015.

Equalities Impact Assessment

16. There are no EIA implications to consider at this time, and this will be covered when the scheme report is submitted in December 2015.

Network Implications

17. There are no network implications to consider at this time, and this will be covered when the scheme report is submitted in December 2015.

Environmental Implications

18. There are no environmental implications to consider at this time, and this will be covered when the scheme report is submitted in December 2015.

Background papers - held by the author of the report, Ian Price, Neighbourhood Traffic Engineer, tel 020 8547 5934 ian.price@kingston.gov.uk

o None other than those referred to in this report