

SPEED Bridleway Progress and Achievements November 2014

SPEED Bridleways main aim is to keep Horse Riders and Road Traffic safe by keeping them apart as much as possible. This can be achieved by opening new bridleway routes with the cooperation of local landowners.

The routes planned are as follows along with progress to date;-

>1 From Monks Road to High Lane to join Pennine Bridleway.

Landowners have allowed SPEED access from Coombes Farm Monks Road entrance upto the old Coal Mine Track off High Lane. About 3/4mile.

1(a)200 metres parallel to Monks Road towards Top Chapel – Bridleway built with entrance gates but issue with Permissive Bridleway insurance.

1(b)1000 metres from near Top Chapel to Cloud Cottage. – Route identified with landowners permission and building of bridleway commenced.

1(c)100 metres Using Old Coal Mine Track – Not owned by DCC or Coal Authority also not registered with Land Registry. Local Land Owner consulting his solicitors on SPEED's behalf.

>2 From Woodseats Lane to Warrasfold Bridge over the River Etherow and across Lymefield Broadbottom to Besthill Bridge then onto Broadbottom Sidings Bridleway. About 3/4mile

2(a)300 metres from Woodseats Land tarmac to Warrasfold Bridge. Rob Greatrex DCC Rights of Way Officer confirms that this section is an *Un-adopted Road* which therefore can be used by horse-riders.

2(b)Warrasfold Bridge rebuild about 2feet narrower and therefore not safe for horse-riders except if dismounting. Rob Greatrex is removing bollards at Woodseats Lane end of bridge.

2 (c)800metre from Warrasfold Bridge to Besthill Bridge – Broadbottom i.e. Tameside horse-riders are being asked to identify route across route over Lymfield before there is a joint meeting with Tameside.

Evidence forms have been collected for route 2 and can be used if necessary.

>3 End of Broadbottom Sidings Bridleway to River Etherow via Botany Lane. About 300metres

Evidence forms were submitted to DCC for ratification as a Bridleway 15 months ago.

>4 End of Boggard Lane to Far Coombes Lane, Chisworth 1000metres

4(a)Landowner given permission to ride first 150metres through wood off Boggard Lane.

4(b)Remaining route not identified but spoken to one landowner who is positive to allowing a Bridleway to her stables 650 metres.

4 (c)200 metres to be identified and agreed. *Could be an issue*

5> From Glossop Road to Broadbottom Sidings Bridleway. 800metres

Sympathetic Landowner still to identify the route which he has ridden.