

The S106 funding secured for sustainable transport measures from the three developments to the east of Leighton Buzzard will be invested to support the objectives and measures with the respective Travel Plans, including funding the provision of bus services (Partnership Project No.32).

CBC has recently appointed to the role of Travel Plan Coordinator for the three linked developments and will shortly convene a Travel Plan Steering Group, including officer representation from the Town Council.

The Travel Plan Coordinator to also be involved in wider sustainable transport initiatives within the town linked to the delivery of CBCs [Sustainability Plan](#) and the ambition to reach net zero emissions by 2030. For example, they will assist me with various initiatives including School Streets, Town Centre pedestrianisation (review of), Leighton-Linslade Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (Partnership Project No. 34), Green Wheel Action Plan (Partnership Project No. 21) and the provision of public charging points for Electric Vehicles.

Regards capital highways works, the main S106 commitment was to deliver the Eastern Link Road and improvements to the A505 roundabout, with reasonable progress being made on both. I'm looking forward to reaching the point where buses and cycles can route along the ELR.

There are also a number of specific contributions within the legal agreements and include:

- £250k 'Vandyke Road / Hockliffe Road corridor contribution' which is committed to fund cycle and pedestrian works along sections of the ELR.
- £250k contribution towards improvements to the Railway Station
- £50k + £37.5k to improve the shared use path alongside Clipstone Brook which will serve to extend NCN6 into the development, providing a Green Wheel spoke route.

Regards south Leighton Buzzard, the balance of S106 funds remaining for highways/ sustainable transport is committed to the following transport schemes, complementing those recently introduced for Billington Road and Chartmoor Road:

- Completion of link from Billington Road to Astral Park Lake including replacement bridge over the drain (part of the Green Wheel)
- Toucan crossing of Billington Road with link to Bittern Mead (part of the Green Wheel)
- Footway provision on Billington Road between McDonalds access road and Theedway
- Upgrade to the footpath running from the bypass to Theedway immediately east of Veritas Grove (part of the Green Wheel)
- Toucan crossing of Billington Road immediately north of Retail Park main access with associated footway / cycleway links
- Completion of footway / bridleway link from Grovebury Road (adjacent to services access road by the pylon) to Bellona Drive, subject to landowner agreement)