

# Misbourne Greenway: construction bulletin

## February 2024

### Overview

The Misbourne Greenway is a proposed walking and cycling route between Wendover and Uxbridge, Buckinghamshire. The main route through the valley is the A413, which is too busy and traffic speed too high to be an attractive and safe route for people travelling actively on foot, cycle or wheels.

The route realises part of the broader vision for a Buckinghamshire Greenway walking and cycling route running north to south across the whole county from Brackley to the Colne Valley.

Active travel charity Sustrans has been leading the design and build of the project to deliver a 4-kilometre section of this route between Dunsmore Lane, Wendover and Aylesbury Road, Great Missenden. Support has been provided from the Chiltern Society, Buckinghamshire Council, Network Rail and Greenways and Cyclerooutes.

This section is funded by the Department for Transport (DfT) and is part of Sustrans' ongoing programme to enhance the National Cycle Network (NCN).

At the start of February 2023, we secured extra funding to bring the Firecrest fields section in scope for this phase of work. This extra funding will come from the Chilterns AONB HS2 Review Group – a panel of local organisations that administers DfT funds for locally beneficial projects. More information and background about the Group can be found here:

<https://www.chilternsaonb.org/what-we-do/hs2/hs2-review-group/>

In October 2023, we agreed a contribution from Chiltern Railways Community Investment Fund towards signage and seating on the route.

## Overview map

The map overleaf shows the route, highlighting key elements and progress made to date.

## Progress update

### February:

We have now completed the build of the ramp at Cobblershill Lane.

This work was extensive and we thank the local residents for their support and patience during this period.

The new ramp links the southern section of the route to Cobblershill Lane where a connection to the highway will shortly be made.

This work has been our main focus over the winter months and the pictures on the following page show the progress that has been made to date.

While it certainly looks inviting, the ramp is still a construction site with fencing, finishing and other works taking place. It's not connected to the highway and we ask that you respect both our construction team and the local residents by not accessing it (however tempting that may be).

Moving forwards the ground alongside the ramp (as with the rest of the route) will be planted with a mixture of native plants, hedges and trees which will mature and form an important part of the local ecosystem over the coming years.

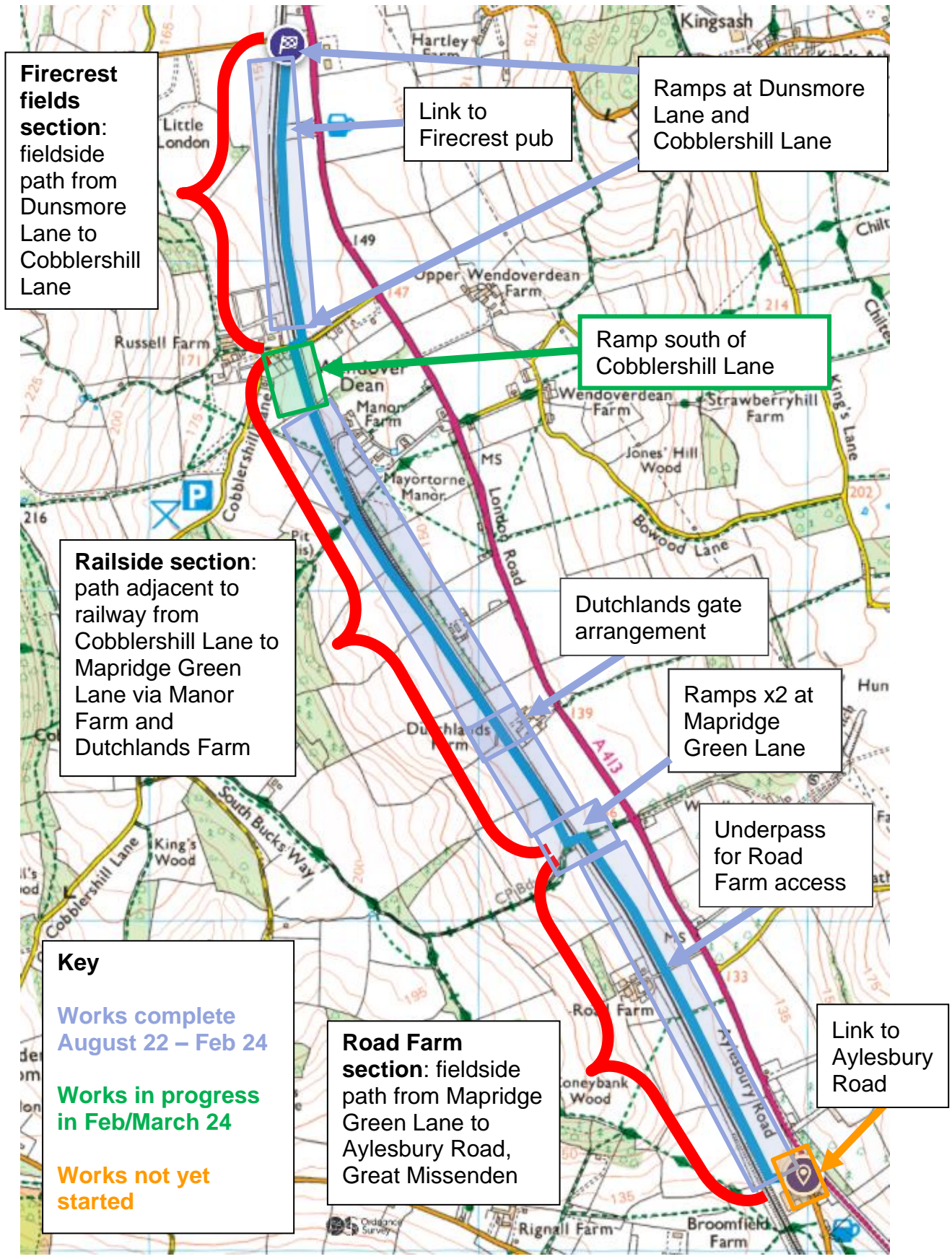
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## Works planned for coming months

### February:

- We will be finalising works on the new ramp at Cobblershill Lane (south).
- Towards the end of the month and into February we will be undertaking the highway connection at the north end of the route to Dunsmore Lane.
- Planting will start to take place along the path along the Firecrest Fields section (see below)

### March onwards:

- Dunsmore Lane highway connection to be completed
- Planting to continue along the Firecrest Fields section
- Numerous isolated small works along the path
- Connections to the highway at Cobblershill Lane (north and south)

### Planting days and a sneak peek:

With construction work progressing well, we're ready to start lining sections of Misbourne Greenway with hedgerows to provide habitat connections across the landscape.

We're working with Chiltern Rangers CIC, who is hosting a series of planting events in the coming weeks (late February and early March).

Come along and join in, and you'll get a sneak peek of the route so far too.

Find out more and sign up: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/misbourne-greenway-hedge-planting-3075539>

***Please note, the path will not be open to the public until works along the whole 4km length are complete. This is expected to be late summer, and at this time it remains a construction site.***

***There are isolated construction works taking place at different points along the path and multiple dead ends that mean there are very limited exit points.***

***Please respect our construction team, residents and landowners adjacent to the path by not accessing it at this time.***

***We will provide more details in due course.***

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