

Reference: MCF Canal Towpath & Links

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Dear Resident / Business owner

Walking and Cycling improvements in your area

Wigan Council are working with Transport for Greater Manchester (TfGM) to develop infrastructure proposals around the region which will improve facilities for people to walk and cycle.

Within this programme of schemes, the Council have been awarded external funding from the Greater Manchester Mayor's Challenge Fund to improve the Leeds and Liverpool Canal Towpath (to the boundary with West Lancashire). The funding will also enable us to upgrade some connecting routes which help people to get to and from the towpath.

During summer 2021, we ran a first phase of public consultation on these proposals, which established the principle of the routes we want to enhance. This was hosted on a Commonplace website which you may have seen or heard about:

<https://leedsliverpoolcanaltowpath.commonplace.is/overview>

As part of the route, we have developed proposals for a new Toucan crossing on Loire Drive, adjacent to the DW stadium which we would like your feedback on. The Toucan crossing will extend the existing cycle route on Loire Drive to the stadium concourse, and new signing will be added to show an onward route around the east side of the stadium, across the River Douglas bridge, and to the Canal. These proposals are shown in the attached plan.

If you wish to comment, or would like further information, please contact the team via email to majorprojects@wigan.gov.uk by 11th March 2022. Once we have received all feedback the team will review it and develop the proposals accordingly and further updates will be made available on our website: www.wigan.gov.uk/majorprojects

We look forward to hearing your views.

Yours sincerely

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