

Malton-Helmsley-Kirkbymoorside-Pickering

Why P4E?

Paths 4 Everyone (P4E) will provide safe, independent active travel across Ryedale.

- P4E are for wheelchair users, walkers, pushchairs, cyclists of all ages, cycles adapted for disability, mobility scooters, horse-riders and runners.
- P4E will improve the health and well-being of our community.
- P4E will support our local economy.
- P4E will reduce our carbon footprint, providing safer, easier and greener connectivity between our towns and villages.

What is the scope of P4E?

The plan in consultation with NYC, is to link the market towns of Malton, Helmsley, Kirkbymoorside and Pickering.

This Market Town Circular will connect our village communities to the towns.

- The Pickering to Malton section is nearly complete.
- Linking the market towns will create a circular route of approximately 50 miles of safe, active travel and independent connectivity for individuals and families.
- It will provide the opportunity to link communities inside and outside the route, significantly increasing active travel to around 200 miles radius. P4E will enable linking the Way of the Roses Wolds route, routes to York, and the Moors to Sea Cycle Route.
- The objective is to complete the Paths by 2030.

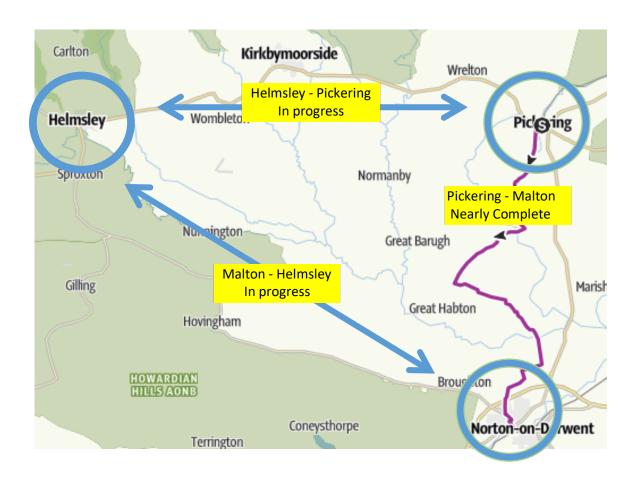
What are the benefits of having P4E?

People living in rural communities are less active than their counterparts in large towns and cities. In rural communities, the car is primarily used to travel. At a time when tackling obesity and poor mental health is a top priority for society, what better way to encourage and enjoy low cost healthy exercise, with the provision of safe, accessible, cycling, walking and horse riding paths.

• Children will be able to ride to school. Parents will have the opportunity to exercise and push prams in safety, individuals with disabilities will not be so constrained by their location. Horse owners will be able to extend their rides.

- The local economy will benefit from the improved connectivity. Tourism will get a boost.
- Active travel will reduce the amount of traffic on the roads and cut down carbon emissions, improving air quality.
- Overall, P4E will improve the health, wealth and well-being of our community. The community benefits are enormous.

The route showing the sections in progress.



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Who are involved in the P4E?

P4E Team

The Steering Group includes Keisha Moor, Senior Transport Planning Officer, Faye Snowden Regeneration Officer for Thirsk and Malton, Countryside Access Services, Rosie Sanderson Senior Public right of Way Officer. Helen Gundry, of Moors Bus fame and much more, Mike Potter Helmsley TC and Stop the Flow, and Frank Colenso Project Lead for Project Purple in Hovingham. This small active group meeting every 6 weeks.

North Yorkshire Council's Transport Planning and Sustainable Transport Officer have been supporting Ryedale Environment Group (a registered charity) with the P4E project. P4E is supported by a planned Advisory Board, a Steering Group and Local Parish Section Teams.

The P4E Steering Group is providing the overall management of the project. Each parish section will be supported by local "Sub Groups" providing the local needs and knowledge.

Support from Stakeholders and Associated Bodies

The P4E has already received the support from the following:

Landowners, Farmers and Residents North Yorkshire Council NYC Sustainable Transport NYC Countryside Access Service NYC Transport Planning NYC Highways Community First Yorkshire Howardian Hills National Landscape North Riding PCN Kevin Hollinrake MP Malton Town Council Kirkbymoorside Town Council Pickering Town Council and many Parish Councils, Associated Groups, Businesses and Residents

What is the phasing?

Each section will be assessed for complexity, timeline and cost.

Completed sections will add momentum to achieving further sections as landowners, farmers, funders, businesses, schools and the public see the route starting to produce local benefits. Potentially, the sections that will take the longest are those needing negotiation and agreements with landowner and tenants. Some of the sections will need compensation payments and physical solutions to allay possible public access concerns. We will work with Landowners and Farmers to find win win solutions for this Legacy Project. Some sections will require a new right of way to be created, or the upgrading of an existing right of way. This will involve a NYC and the statutory consultation process. Paths must meet current Department for Transport regulations for shared path width, surface and signage. For Public Rights of Way consultations for bridleways, there is a statutory legal process, with specific design requirements.

Where will the funding come from?

Funding will be sought from central and local government and the combined authority, Mayoral Office. NYC with the support of NYC Highways and NYC Countryside Assess Services will have essential input. Town Councils, Corporate sponsorship and local fundraising events will also be part of the mix. Parish Council will be able to support, applying for grants for the local section design costs.

We will seek collaboration from British Cycling Places to Ride and charitable trusts.

Through the Community Infrastructure Levy, Howardian Hills National Landscape, the Local Enterprise Partnership and the NYC Health team. Funding sources will continue to be identified by P4E.

Future maintenance?

P4E will work with NYC Countryside Access Services to develop a Path Keepers Agreement for the off road sections, providing funding and resources for the appropriate sections of the Paths. Paths on road verges would become the responsibility of NYC highways. By achieving National Cycle Network status, the route would benefit from the well organised national Sustrans volunteer network. In the short and longer term, support and information from local resources will be imperative.

If you would like to help or receive communications updates, please get in touch with Helen Gundry, Frank Colenso or Mike Potter by e.mailing: p4eryedale@outlook.com