

Cycle Knutsford

Infrastructure Local Delivery Plan

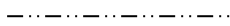
Introduction

This document provides more detail to support the Knutsford Neighbourhood Plan (KNP) Cycle Policy T2. It should be read referencing the related KNP Appendix 5 Cycle Plan Map which outlines the town, routes and proposed improvements and aspirations. The purpose is to encourage major new development to contribute to cycle routes by connecting with them through Active Design and monetary contribution. It also provides the basis for evaluating the current network and highlighting priority areas as intended in a Town Cycling Plan as requested by Objective 3 of the Cheshire East Cycling Strategy. National Government policy refers to the need for Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure plans. Cheshire East is now progressing Local Town Delivery plans. This is intended to be the cycle part of such a plan.

This Local Cycle Plan aims to encourage all people including, children, adults and expert cyclists to be able to access confidently whatever their ability, by bike, all of Knutsford's Key Destinations, whether they live in the town, start and finish their journeys from further afield or arrive by train. CycleKnutsford have also designed, and the Town Council have printed, a map of various leisure cycle routes that are linked to [The Revolution](#), enabling cyclists to access the wider network, delivering this Local Delivery Plan would fit with this.

This report plan includes- a Map that shows clearly how easy this could be (Cycle Knutsford Delivery Plan Map) and a detailed Table of Infrastructure improvements and aspirations.

Summary

The Map identifies 5 coloured main road route ways through the Town with 8 points marked for new junctions and existing junctions A-E for improvements for cyclists. It also indicates the route of the CycleKnutsford '[The Revolution](#)' designed to get around Town on quieter routes. Along some of the route ways the aspiration for segregated Cycleway is marked with a 

A50 Mere	with junctions	1,2,A
A5033 Northwich	with junctions	3,A
A50 Barclays	with junctions	4,B
A537 Ollerton	with junctions	5, B, C,D
B5085 Mobberley	with junctions	6,7, D, E
MereheathLane	with junctions	8

The Table notes these junctions and suggests some details including crossings and shared paths and highlights where proposed Local plan development is nearby and could

contribute to the investment. It also identifies, where new development could divert or upgrade an existing Public Right of Way. (PROW).

It should be noted that on the major roads, there are existing footpaths and wide verges that could easily accommodate new shared or segregated cycleways.

Origins and Key Destinations

Origins - all our surrounding towns, and, between each major road on our map are 4 major 1970's housing estates, plus the railway station(Manchester - Chester line) in the Historic Town Centre.

Destinations- are the main community places (schools& sports & green&health), employment areas and the Historic Town Centre with Tatton Park.

Schools - *can be accessed off 'The Revolution'*

- spread out all round the town

Sports facilities -

- **Mereheath Lane**,major hub, Tatton Park entrance
- Toft cricket club which is adjacent to Booths Park on the **A537**
- the leisure centre/high school NW of the town centre. *Can be accessed off 'The Revolution'*

Green spaces - *can be accessed off 'The Revolution'*

- The Moor and Barncroft behind St Cross Church
- The Heath
- Tatton Park

Employments -

- Schools and Health facilities with GP's and Dentists spread around and the Community Hospital in the Town Centre.
- The Town Centre shops and offices.
- **A50** from the north - Mere Hotel, Land Rover Dealership, Cottons Hotel and Fryers Garden Centre.
- **A50** going South - slightly further out is Barclays Radbroke Hall.
- **A5033** going West - M6 services, Tabley nursing home
- **A537** going South/East - Chelford Road, Booths Park.
- **B5085** going East -Tatton Park, Parkgate Industrial Estate, Kids Allowed, Bentley and Longridge Trading Estate.

Local Plan proposed new housing and employment development

KNP Appendix 5 Cycle Map colour zones the location of proposed new housing and employment areas. LPS 36.37 and 38. Planning applications are live on 36 & 37. 36a is Redrow. 36b is Crown. 36c is Tatton Bluebell. 37 is Tatton Parkgate and Chancherygate Parkgate. Employment expansion development has been granted at Booths Park Bruntwood. A travel plan condition is in place on all. Yet to come forward is 38 Longridge. Opportunities exist to upgrade the public rights of way network in addition to connecting the new areas to the existing Town by Active Design and layout.

The Revolution

'The Revolution' generally goes round the town through 1970's housing estates and is to promote getting around Knutsford on quieter roads suitable for all ages and abilities enabling cyclists to access many key destinations. Crossing points would be of great benefit to pedestrians, cyclists and vehicles.

- Crossings 2, 3, 4, 5,7, 8 and E
- Cycleway - Garden Road east off A50
- An upgrade of Drury Lane Moorside
- The Dip at Longridge

Aspirational (Leisure) Cycle Routes

These are either existing PROW footpaths that could be upgraded to Bridleway and/or areas of land within proposed new development where new routes can be created. Three ideas stand out.

PARKGATE to DOG WOOD Tatton Park then over railway on to Mallard Close or onto Moor via woodland.

Parkgate Tatton Group own the field alongside Railway to Tatton Park Dog wood Gate. Ownership of land from Dog wood to the Moor is Council and Tatton group. This could be used to create a Parkgate to Town centre off road route via the Moor. It could be implemented in two phases. It could be an extension to the already diverted FP11 on the proposed Parkgate Village site. It could be a commuter and leisure route.

BOOTHS PARK to MOBBERLEY and LONGRIDGE to MOBBERLEY Knutsford FP 17 and FP13

These could be upgraded to bridleway as employment and housing permission is granted. First phase of Bruntwood Booths Park has suggested this but not secured. Longridge is yet to come forward but will almost certainly include a request to divert.

A5033 NORTHWICH RD to TABLEY LANE to A50 MANCHESTER RD to MEREHEATH LANE

Opportunity to create new route through new development land. Links from Northwich Rd already secured in planning application.

Background

Ref: Cheshire East Cycling Strategy 2017 – 2027 (CECC) Appendix Toolkit re design development

Appendix A Delivery Plan Objective 3 Ensure high quality facilities are in place to support people who cycle and that will attract people to live and work in the area **Encourage local cycling groups to develop Town Cycling Plans to identify existing routes and propose new local routes, with the purpose of them becoming adopted as part of their local Neighbourhood Plan.** Deliver training session on cycle planning at CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL Neighbourhood Planning Conference. Plan training event for community cycling groups. Continuing communication and support to community groups. Strategic Infrastructure / Spatial Planning / Local Cycle Groups On-going support.

Page 17 Table 4 Baseline Data Cheshire East Cycling Strategy

The Cheshire East Cycling Strategy noted high levels of cycling traffic around the Moor in the centre of Town. Not surprising as this is a main off road route connecting the Historic Town Centre to the CrossTown area in the east. It is the only signed cycleway as a shared path from the Mobberley Rd, down Middle Walk around the Moor to the Railway station. This route continues as path out to Mobberley and forms a known walk to school route where footpath improvement works were carried out on the edge of Knutsford.

Ref: Knutsford Neighbourhood Plan 2019

(KNP) Policy T2 Cycling T1 Walking SL123 Sports & Leisure HW1 Health & Wellbeing common detail refers to the need for **ACTIVE DESIGN and Appendix 5 Knutsford Cycle Plan Map with Routes identified.**

Existing Dedicated cycling routes

Within the Town there is only one shared cycleway signposted route. This is from Knutsford Railway Station to Mobberley via the Moor and Middle Walk. This is part of the Knutsford Revolution route.

Outside Town leisure routes can be reached known as Laureen's Ride, Cheshire Cycleway, Manchester Airport route and the detrunked A556 from Tabley to Rostherne. Also on Tabley Lane near the Cemetery the bridleway and North Cheshire Way route known as Swains Way. Tabley Superior BR7

Road <i>Diagram</i> <i>Ref.</i>	Description	JUNCTION or CROSSING or CYCLEWAY	Improve: Current Aspire: New	Proposed LPS Development nearby	Commute C Out of Town Leisure link O Revolution around town R
A50 Mere to Barclays Holmes Chapel - CYCLE HIGHWAY					
A50	Mere to Garden Road	CYCLEWAY	Aspire: Potential to widen current path in verge or provide on road cycle lane.	LPS 36 b Crown LPS 36 c Bluebell	C O R Employment:HotelsGarden Centre Land Rover New Housing: 300+
A50 1	New Development access Employment & Housing	JUNCTION CROSSING CYCLEWAY	Aspire: New Roundabout may require cycle path around or crossing nearby	LPS 36 b Crown LPS 36 c Bluebell	C O (R)
A50 2	Garden Rd Tabley Rd	JUNCTION CROSSING	Aspire/Improve: Requires redesign to be safe for all modes. Possible Toucan CROSSING North side Junction	LPS 36 b Crown LPS 36 c Bluebell	R Revolution to Tatton Park & Mereheath Lane Sports facilities. Town Centre In reverse Leisure Centre &Academy High School
A50 A	Canute Roundabout (Consider Gaskell Avenue/Stanley Rd)	CROSSINGS (CYCLEWAY)	Improve: To avoid right hand turn on roundabout. Aspire: TOUCAN	LPS 36, 37	C O Leisure Centre Academy High School Town Centre (R)

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A50 B	Library Cinema Council Offices Rail station crossing Petrol Station	CROSSING TOUCANS	Improve: Relocate for safety – dangerous at Petrol station. Not on desire Line. Possible Move closer to Adams Hill junction.		C O
A50 B	Adams Hill JUNCTION	JUNCTIONS CYCLEWAY	Improve: Hazardous Right hand turns. Use paths to slip on/off avoid waiting in traffic. Forward stops. Green light for cyclists. Aspire: Aldi, Hollow Lane Adams Hill	LPS 36,37,38 Booths Park	C O
A50 4	Leycester Rd Beggarmans Lane	CROSSING	Aspire: Cycle & pedestrian		R To schools Bexton Primary Knutsford Academy
A50	Leycester Rd to Barclays	CYCLEWAY	Aspire: Use wide verge create cycle lane		C O

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Off A50 From Garden Road junction 2 - CYCLE HIGHWAY TO MEREHEATH SPORTS FACILITIES					
2 East of A50	Garden Road	CYCLEWAY	Aspire: Wide verge would allow for shared path	LPS 36	O R Tatton Park & Mereheath Lane Sports facilities. Town Centre In reverse Leisure Centre & School
8 East of A50	Garden Road Mereheath Lane Tatton Park entrance	JUNCTION	Aspire: Key junction all ways	LPS 36 Bluebell	O R Tatton Park & Mereheath Lane Sports facilities. Town Centre
East of A50	Mereheath Lane past existing housing	CYCLEWAY CROSSING	Improve: Path widened for shared cycleway. Access Sports Club	LPS 36 Bluebell	O R Sports Clubs Town Centre
2 West of A50	Tabley Road from Garden Rd	CYCLEWAY	Aspire: Widen path on Heath side	LPS 36 a b	O R North Cheshire Way Tatton Park & Mereheath Lane Sports facilities. Town Centre Leisure Centre & School

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A5033 Northwich Tabley M6 Services - CYCLE HIGHWAY					
A5033 3	Northwich Rd New Development Roundabout Lilac Avenue to Sudlow lane	Roundabout JUNCTION	Secured through planning	LPS 36 a	COR!
A5033 3A	Northwich Road to Canute Place	CROSSING CYCLEWAY	Aspire: Planning agreement for Redrow Join new shared paths to existing add new CROSSING and link along to CANUTE PLACE. Consider Stanley Rd Gaskell Avenue cycle route	LPS 36 a	COR
Off A5033	Ladies Mile by Heath	CYCLEWAY	Aspire: Improve Extend and widen current path to shared		OR

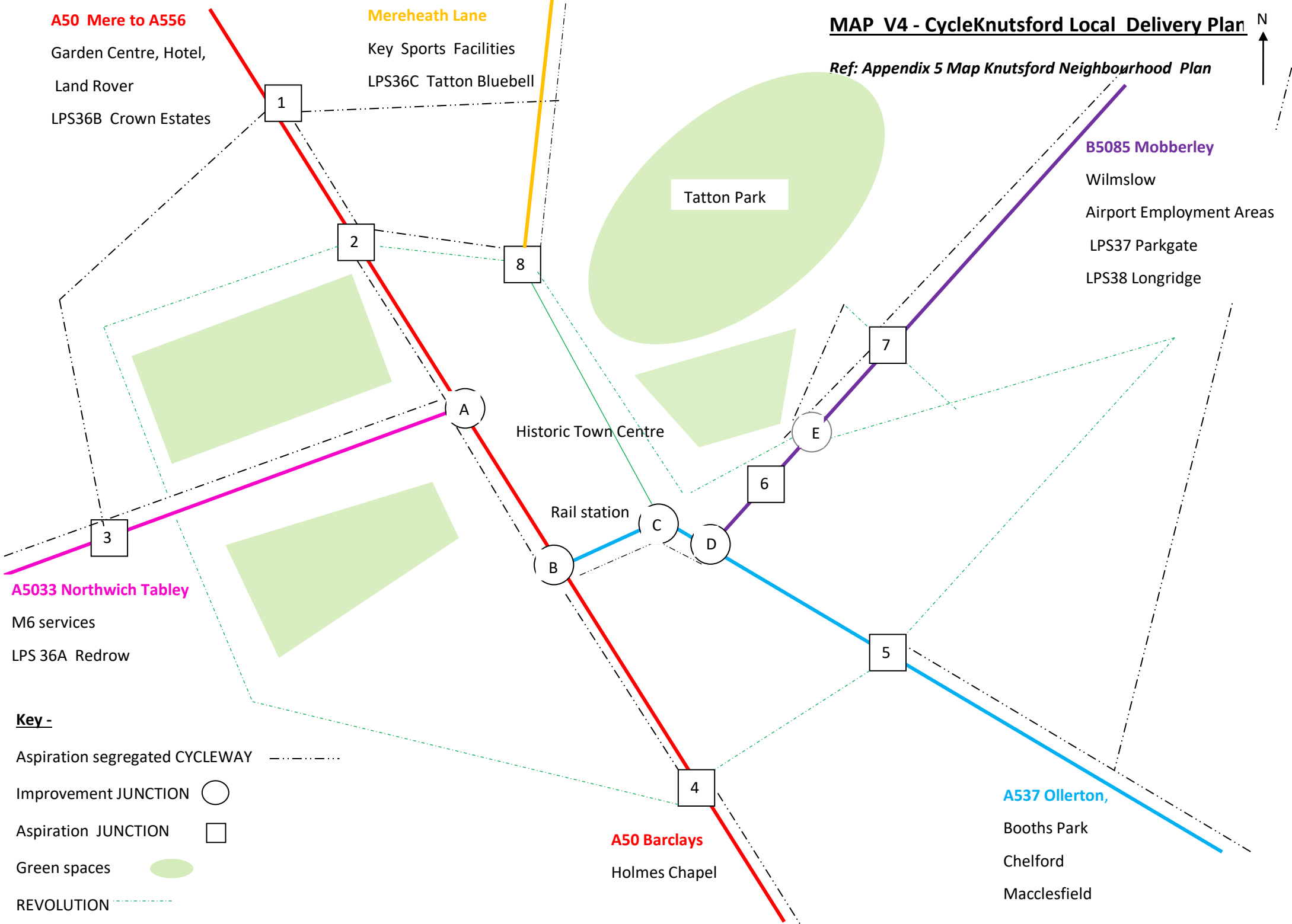
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A537 Adams Hill – Booths Park Ollerton Chelford Macclesfield - CYCLE HIGHWAY					
A537 B	Adams Hill	Adams Hill JUNCTION	See A50 detail above.	LPS 37 Parkgate 38 Longridge Booths Park	CO
A537 C	King Street	JUNCTION CYCLEWAY	Improve: Coming into Town from Hollow lane the right hand turn Aspire: Cycleway into King Street from Aldi and Hollow Lane		COR Town Centre Tatton Park/ Moor
A537 C	Aldi entrance	CROSSING	Improve: Pedestrian refuge means cars block crossing.		(R)
A537 D	Hollow Lane	JUNCTION CROSSING CYCLEWAY	Improve: Currently crossing unsafe for pedestrians. Aspire: Use paths to slip on/off avoid waiting in traffic. Forward stops. Green light for cyclists. Shared cycle path up Adams Hill	LPS 37 Parkgate 38 Longridge Booths Park	CO (R)
A537 5	Chelford Road Leycester Rd	CROSSING	Aspire: Hazardous Right turn.	Bruntwood Booths Park	R
A537	Chelford Rd Cricket Club Booths Park to Ollerton	CYCLEWAY CROSSINGS	Aspire: Widen existing verge for shared path . Fired Earth crossing .	Bruntwood Booths Park	COR Lower Moss Wood Wildlife centre Jodrell Bank ride

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ASPIRATIONAL ROUTES UPGRADING PROW and new land in DEVELOPMENTS FOR SHARED AND SEGREGATED CYCLE PATHS					
FP 11 LAND	Parkgate to Dog wood Tatton Park	CYCLEWAY	Improve/Aspire: Upgrade Bridleway FP11 and extend on Field alongside railway at Haig Road Parkgate Lane junction.	LPS 37	C O (R)
LAND	Dog wood to the Moor	CYCLEWAY	Aspire: Create shared cycle path	LPS 37	C O (R)
FP 17	Booths Park to Mobberley	CYCLEWAY	Aspire: Upgrade to Bridleway	Booths Park Bruntwood	C O (R)
FP13	Longridge to Mobberley	CYCLEWAY	Aspire: Divert & Upgrade to Bridleway	LPS 38	C O (R)
LAND	New developments linked route Northwich Road, Manchester Rd, Mereheath Lane.	CYCLEWAY	Aspire: Part secured in LPS 36a on spine road through. New segregated shared pathway	LPS 36	C O (R)

MAP V4 - CycleKnutsford Local Delivery Plan

Ref: Appendix 5 Map Knutsford Neighbourhood Plan

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A50 Mere to A556

Garden Centre, Hotel,
Land Rover
LPS36B Crown Estates

Mereheath Lane

Key Sports Facilities
LPS36C Tatton Bluebell

B5085 Mobberley

Wilmslow
Airport Employment Areas
LPS37 Parkgate
LPS38 Longridge

A5033 Northwich Tabley

M6 services
LPS 36A Redrow

Key -

Aspiration segregated CYCLEWAY

Improvement JUNCTION

Aspiration JUNCTION

Green spaces

REVOLUTION

A50 Barclays

Holmes Chapel

A537 Ollerton,

Booths Park
Chelford
Macclesfield

Tatton Park

Historic Town Centre

Rail station