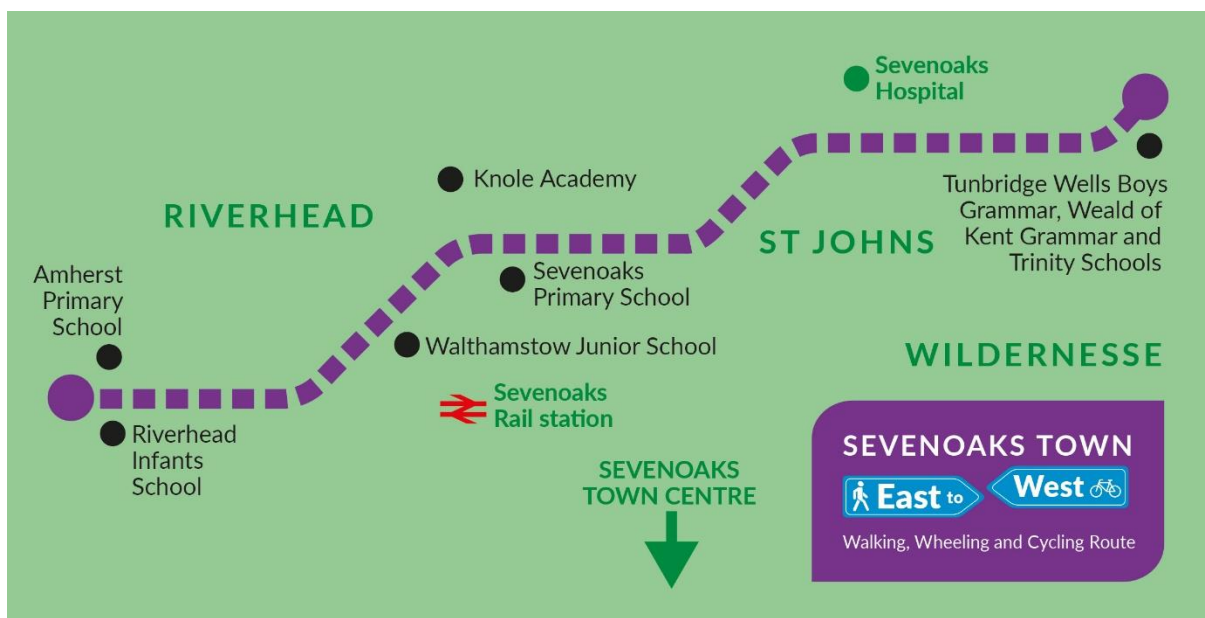


## Sevenoaks Town East to West Walking, Wheeling & Cycling Route

Sevenoaks District Council and Kent County Council are working together to deliver a new walking, wheeling and cycling route that connects the east and west of Sevenoaks town, allowing residents to walk, wheel and cycle safely, as an alternative to using their cars for short journeys. It will provide a safe, environmentally friendly alternative to the car, helping to improve our health and air quality while cutting our carbon footprint.

The route connects many of the town's schools with the communities they serve, from Riverhead and Amherst Schools in the west of the town with Trinity, Weald of Kent and Tunbridge Wells Grammar School for Boys annexes in the east, also picking up Sevenoaks Primary and Walthamstow Hall Junior School along Bradbourne Park Road. The route will also provide easy access to Sevenoaks railway station. By improving these connections, it is hoped that the route will be popular with children, commuters and the wider community. Encouraging, supporting and making it easier and safer for residents to use sustainable forms of travel is a top priority.

### Overview of the route



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The Sevenoaks Town east to west walking, wheeling and cycling route has been identified and prioritised in the Sevenoaks Urban Area Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) which was completed and launched in January 2023, and is supported by the District-wide Movement Strategy (2022). We have secured government funding of £1.2 million to deliver the route and once we have taken on board your comments, we can finalise the plans and get started on the construction phase. It is anticipated that the route will be completed and in use by the end of 2024. Not only will it encourage more car-free journeys, but it will also help to improve local air quality, positively impact the health of our residents, and help the District Council to work towards its Net Zero by 2030 ambitions.

We are asking for your views on the proposed route before it is finalised, including a number of design options. The public consultation runs from Thursday 1 June 2023 for a period of six weeks. All comments must be submitted no later than 11.59pm on Friday 14 July 2023.

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