

Shelburne Bike Ped Public Forum #1
March 9, 2022

Project webpage: <http://bit.ly/shelburne-walk-bike>

Storymap: [tinyurl.com/ShelburneWalkBike](https://www.storymaps.com/story/shelburne-walk-bike)

"Your Priorities" Survey Link: <https://tinyurl.com/57xhbsx2>

- Jason Charest, CCRPC, opened the meeting at 7 pm, welcomed everyone, and introduced the project, including team members Adele Gravitz, Shelburne Planning Director, and Bryan Davis, CCRPC.
- Jason described what will this study do, including cataloging previous studies, aligning community priorities, and creating a list of walk/bike projects.
- In the past there have been more than 20 plans which have been reviewed, plus the Town Plan and Economic Development Report.
- Jason then reviewed the online StoryMap including the two key purposes of the StoryMap (below), walked through slides showing how to navigate the StoryMap tools, the imbedded maps, and the survey.
 1. Inform the community regarding existing and proposed walk & bike connectivity projects and improvements, and
 2. Provide an opportunity for community members to provide feedback that will directly shape the priorities of this study.
- Tracey Beaudin, crossing guard on Route 7, commented on photo of crossing guard showing children biking across street; they should be walking their bikes.
- Survey will close at the end of the month (March) and will be advertised throughout the month.
- VTrans initiatives should be captured in the StoryMap but if you see something missing please let us know
- We will include links when StoryMap is advertised
- Jeff Zweber – keep walkable and bikeable streets as is – they may not include facilities but they may not be needed. Also higher traffic, speeds roads may not be the right place for facilities either. Map should show houses, buildings, etc. to make full picture more clear.
- Jane Zenaty – will links be on town website as well as FPF? Adele says yes we will include this. Jane said Tom talked to VTrans about repaving, they were going to look at some recommendations and she will be in touch about any missing things on the maps.
- Rosalyn – president of Shelburne business and professional organization, discuss ways to attract others to town including improving accessibility, and walking and biking comes up, but other piece I don't see here is parking, if we're going to make it easier for people to walk then we need to have accessible areas for parking.
- Kate Lalley – want to reiterate goal to use this study to support projects that create sense of place for the village, path mentioned earlier that was explored for bay road, 10 ft wide, but didn't support sense of place in that area of town. Discussion didn't include that that would have to happen if state or federal funds were used. Irish Hill Rd costs have escalated ... I'm hoping that we'll consider of innovative approaches like advisory bike lanes, also echo need for parking as well as wayfinding, also want to see connectivity opportunities combined with stormwater.
- Pierre – does CCRPC work with neighboring towns and Local Motion? Yes we work with all municipalities, and yes we work with Local Motion.

- Joyce George – in the north end of Burlington the bike path runs along the railroad tracks, and people can access the bike path along every street there. In Shelburne there's a lot of people in the north and if there were a path along the railroad tracks that would attract a lot of people and could extend further northward. Jason says yes thanks, if this isn't on the map let us know.
- Nicole Carpenter – connecting neighbors is a priority, I'm impressed that in South Burlington neighborhoods have been connected as they've been developed. Where does that fit in overall priorities? Jason says typically looking at other priorities but still want to know about that, we could create a list of projects for future study. Nicole in chat – include rec path easements given to town. Kate agrees. Jason thinks we can do that.
- Jason review chat messages:
 - Sage will there be median or other traffic calming heading south near Vermont Teddy Bear. Jason doesn't think there's a proposal but will need to review the previous southern gateway study.
 - Matt – what federal or state funds are available? Jason says there are grant opportunities and CCRPC can help town apply.
 - Rocco – Spear Street "Bike Lanes". A portion of the proceeds from the 2008 bond were used to build/widen shoulders on Spear Street from the SB line to Irish Hill Road. These were build to aid cycling though not officially designated as Bike Lanes. The new development on the West Side of Spear Street, (old golf course) has many sidewalks and a multi-use path along Spear St. currently under construction, (they are starting to be visible now. Is there a way to show things that have been added to the town, need longer lasting paint. Final item, when Webster Rd path was built, blends into sidewalk on Rt 7, hope was to have more user-friendly intersection between those two, now people are pushed into traffic. How to get this back on the radar of VTrans?
- Public discussion continued.
- Jessica Coleman – map should include major destinations like the school, Shelburne farms, local businesses. Would be helpful to see two different map scales, entire town's context with other towns, and the village area.
- Peter Castle – status of bridge over LaPlatte and Irish Hill Path? Lee says Town is working with CCRPC to accelerate the project, hoped to begin this spring and finish this year, voters approved support, but just learned that cost increases are about 60% higher so are reassessing all options. May not get to do the work this year.
- Lee cautions showing some trails, like informal ones, on maps since they may be on private property without approval. Need to get permission before showing them on any maps.
- Ted Grozier – can there be some cost estimates without doing a full study? Jason says we can look at previous recommendations for those cost estimates and possibly update to today's dollars.
- The survey will be open until the end of March. The next Advisory Committee meeting will be scheduled for the end of April, with another community forum to be held in May and presentation to the Selectboard in July.
- Jason then shared a live demonstration of the online StoryMap, noting the link to a spreadsheet with the 20 or so previous studies and the survey.
- Stephen Baietti – nothing to add at this time.

Meeting ended at 8:01

CHAT:

From Me (Bryan Davis) to Everyone 07:10 PM

Storymap: tinyurl.com/ShelburneWalkBike

From Paul to Jason Charest | CCRPC(Direct Message) 07:14 PM
Sidewalks on Webster Road do not appear on map?

From Steven "Rocco" Antinozzi to Me (Direct Message) 07:21 PM
Hi Bryan, when using the map, (I have it open in another window) is there a way to view multiple layers simultaneously?

Me to Steven "Rocco" Antinozzi (Direct Message) 07:22 PM
not for the individual maps but I believe there is a map that shows more features together

From Me to Everyone 07:22 PM
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From Marla Keene (Planning Commission) to Everyone 07:23 PM
when will the survey close? is it planned to be advertised?

From Charlie Jones to Everyone 07:24 PM
How do Vtrans initiatives through Shelburne get captured in the Story map?

From Carol Irish to Everyone 07:24 PM
I logged in late. Did I miss mention of the falls road bridge and Irish hill path?

From Joyce George to Everyone 07:25 PM
could you put links in Front Porch Forum

From Nicole Carpenter to Everyone 07:25 PM
For existing infrastructure - I think the map is missing the shared use path under construction on the West side of Spear Street North of Webster Road (Kiniwaska development).

From Sage Bagnato to Everyone 07:26 PM
Is there a proposal for a median (or some way to slow traffic down), when you are traveling south on route 7 and take a left onto South Park road, into Vermont Day School/Vermont Teddy Bear? This needs to be safer. Thank you.

From Matt Wormser to Everyone 07:26 PM
What sorts of federal or state funds might be available for paths, and how does Shelburne best pursue them?

From Nicole Carpenter to Everyone 07:26 PM
Is there is any way to include Rec Path Easements that have been given to the town - these are opportunities to expand infrastructure that are logistically possible?.

From Steven "Rocco" Antinozzi to Me (Direct Message) 07:32 PM
Spear Street "Bike Lanes". A portion of the proceeds from the 2008 bond were used to build/widen shoulders on Spear Street from the SB line to Irish Hill Road. These were build to aid cycling though not officially designated as Bike Lanes. They really a new paint job to bring the fog lines back. In might be helpful to include these on the map is some fashion.
The new development on the West Side of Spear Street, (old golf course) has many side walks and a multi-use pass along Spear St. currently under construction, (tthey are starting to be visible now.

From Kate Lalley to Everyone 07:36 PM
Agree, the map should reflect those easements.

From Steven "Rocco" Antinozzi to Everyone 07:38 PM
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From bjoan to Everyone 07:41 PM

Just joined and apologize if this was covered previously - any plan for bike lanes or widening of Dorset street for say a mile before the intersection with Irish Hill intersection? So dangerous there for bikers and drivers alike. Cars pull out to pass bikers with cars coming over the hill - yikes! so dangerous. and so many bikers and so many cars through there!

From Thomas Schramm to Everyone 07:42 PM

The map should include neighborhood cut throughs like the John street Little Field cut through.

From Ted Grozier to Everyone 07:43 PM

Does CCRPC or the consultant have a way to _estimate_ the cost of individual initiatives without doing a full engineering study? This would help inform long-term decisions for current and future budgets.

From Marla Keene (Planning Commission) to Everyone 07:43 PM

Speaking of neighborhood cut-throughs (Thomas' comment), Deer Run to Farmstead is also missing. it is shown on Google maps for reference.

From Nicole Carpenter to Everyone 07:46 PM

From my perspective, the following neighborhoods would be good to connect to create walking and biking connections through the various parts of town. Unfortunately, there are not existing rec path easements for these currently, but there are large tracts of undeveloped land where it seems theoretically possible if easements could be obtained. 1. Hullcrest Park to Longmeadow Drive (via Northside/Executive Drive connections). 2. Marsett sidewalk to Ridgefield Road (Southwest part of town) through Meach Cove and Shelburne Vineyard property. 3. Woodbine/Juniper/Martindale Neighborhood path to Overlook Park and South Burlington Bike Paths.

From Ted Grozier to Everyone 07:46 PM

On neighborhood cut throughs, Paul also has a nice path (on his property) at the end of Hillside Terrace.

From Nicole Carpenter to Everyone 07:48 PM

For neighborhood cut-throughs, there is also a paved path from Maple Leaf Lane to Bayfield Drive.

From Me to Everyone 07:52 PM

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From Jason Charest | CCRPC to Everyone 07:52 PM

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From Ted Grozier to Everyone 07:52 PM

And from the cul-de-sac on Bayview Lane there is a path on a Town parcel to Bay Road

From Brian Flynn to Everyone 07:53 PM

please put the links on town website and also in FPF

From Charlie Jones to Everyone 07:54 PM

Thank you for your presentation and guidance on next steps.

From Marla Keene (Planning Commission) to Everyone 07:54 PM

thanks Jason, Bryan & Adele.

From Joyce George to Everyone 07:55 PM

Thank you everyone!!!

From Nicole Carpenter to Everyone 07:55 PM

Yes - Thanks Jason, Bryan, & Adele, and others who have helped with walking/biking paths/lanes/wider shoulders.

From Tracey Beaudin to Everyone 07:56 PM

I love maps! thank you

From Me to Everyone 07:56 PM

thanks to everyone for your time and sharing your comments, we'll be in touch. please explore the storymap and take the survey! tinyurl.com/ShelburneWalkBike

From Ted Grozier to Everyone 07:58 PM

Thank you!

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