

Meeting	Full Council Meeting
Date	21 st July 2026
Report Title	National Cycle Network Grant Application
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Recommendation

- To notes the submission of the National Cycle Network grant application and supports the continued development of the project, subject to a successful funding award.

National Cycle Network Grant Application

The Parish Council has applied for funding to support the extension of the local cycle route, creating a connection to National Cycle Network (NCN) Route 45. The proposal aims to improve active travel links within North Swindon, providing safer and more accessible walking and cycling routes for residents.

The deadline for the stage one of application was 10th July 2026.

The project name is Haydon Wick Greenway.

The project seeks to address an underserved area of the parish by improving connectivity to schools, employment, local amenities, and existing green infrastructure. The proposed route will encourage healthier lifestyles, reduce reliance on private vehicles, improve accessibility, and contribute to wider environmental and sustainability objectives.

The application highlights the Parish Council's experience in delivering community projects, supported by a dedicated Parks and Open Spaces Team, experienced project management staff, elected Members, and established partnerships with local organisations and stakeholders. Community engagement forms a key part of the proposal, with consultation planned throughout the design and delivery stages to ensure the route reflects local needs and is accessible to users of all ages and abilities.

If successful, the grant will enable the Council to progress detailed design and delivery in partnership with relevant landowners, neighbouring authorities, and active travel organisations. Members will be kept informed of the outcome of the application and any subsequent project milestones.

