

Wethersfield Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee  
Meeting #19

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Thursday December 10, 2020

# Introductions

- Peter Gillespie – Planning and Economic Development Director
- Kevin Sullivan - Bike/Walk Wethersfield
- Rob O'Connor – Bike/Walk Wethersfield



# Tonight's Agenda

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- Meeting Notes – Meeting #18 - November 12, 2019
- Draft Plan
  - Chapter 10 - Actions/Recommendations \*
  - Implementation Plan
- Update Bike/Ped Projects
- Other Business
- Next Meeting Date – January 14, 2021

# Meeting Notes

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November 12, 2020 Meeting

# Draft Plan Status

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- Sections 1 – 9 have been posted on Town website
- <https://wethersfieldct.gov/bike-pedplan>

# Draft Plan Status

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- Section 1 - Acknowledgements
- Section 2 - Intro Executive Summary
- Section 3 - Benefits
- Section 4 - Community Involvement
- Section 5 - Vision and Goals
- Section 6 - Existing Plans
- Section 7 - Existing Programs
- Section 8 - Existing Conditions
- Section 9 - ADA Transition Plan

# Chapter 10 - Actions/Recommendations

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- Pedestrian Facilities/Network
- Bicycle Facilities/Network
- Other Facilities (Racks, Bus Shelters)
- Policies and Programs (6 E's)

# Pedestrian Facilities

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- Sidewalk Gaps
- Sidewalk Improvements
- Intersection Improvements
- Crossings (Crosswalks and RR)
- Shared Use/Sidepaths
- Traffic Calming/Speeding
- Trails

# Sidewalk Gaps

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- Berlin Turnpike
  - Silas Deane –North/South Gateways
  - Wells
  - Collier
  - Ridge
  - Willow
  - Marsh/Great Meadow
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| Jordan Lane       | Cumberland          |
| Middletown/Spring | Hang Dog/Maple      |
| Prospect          | Goff                |
| Highland          | Coppermill          |
| Crest             | Western Boulevard   |
| Thornbush         | Mill/Middletown Ave |

# Sidewalk Improvements

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- Wolcott Hill
- Ridge
- Maple
- Prospect
- Nott
- Nott @ Charles Wright
- Nott/Wright Road
- FoxHill Rd – ADA Ramps Highcrest
- Church/Woodland (Hanmer)
- Hartford/Avalon (Hanmer)
- Church/Willard (Hanmer School)
- Griswold
- Wells
- Wells/Cedar
- Harding
- Highcrest
- Garden
- Stillwold
- Prospect/Willow (Webb School)
- Brimfield
- Wells south side (EW School)
- Coleman
- Oakdale
- Stillman
- Cloverdale Circle
- Park

# Intersections

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- Wolcott Hill Rd / Cottwell Rd & High School East Driveway
- Wolcott Hill Rd & Nott St
- Wolcott Hill Rd (West Leg) & Nott Street
- Willow St / Glenwood Dr & Webb School South Dvwy
- Town Line Rd & Mtn Laurel Dr
- Charter Rd & Town Line Rd
- Wolcott Hill Rd & Cumberland Ave (North)
- Wolcott Hill/Nott
- Prospect/Ridge
- Main/Hartford
- Main/State
- Marsh/Broad
- Garden/Nott
- Wolcott Hill Rd & Cumberland Ave (South)
- Wolcott Hill Rd & Jenrich Rd (CREC School East Dvwy)
- Nott St & Yale St
- Nott St & Folly Brook Blvd
- Highland Street & Collier Rd

# RR Crossings

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- Mill Street & RR Tracks
- Jordan Lane & RR Tracks
- Church Street
- Hartford Avenue
- Maple Street
- Wells Road/Main Street
- Nott Street

# Crosswalks

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- Nott St @ #341
- Charter/Maple
- Maple/Hang Dog
- Wells/Spring
- Broad/Elm
- Broad/Garden
- Hang Dog/Old Reservoir
- Goodwin Park/Victoria
- Highcrest/Fox Hill
- Nott/Goff
- Wolcott Hill/Cumberland
- Folly Brook/Greenfield
- Folly Brook/Spruce

# Speeding/Traffic Calming

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- Broad Street      Wells      Nott      Jordan
- Hang Dog      Collier      Ridge      Wolcott Hill
- Church      Highcrest      Coppermill      Silas Deane Hwy
- Church      Main      Folly Brook      Highland

# Trails

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- Mill Woods
  - Heritage Walk
  - Wintergreen Woods
  - Meadows
  - Kycia Farm
  - Cove Park
  - Beaver Brook
- Old Reservoir
  - Heritage Way
  - Goodwin Park
  - Wilkus Farms
  - Cedar Mountain
  - Cove Side Trail

# Bicycle Facilities

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- **Bicycle Facilities/Network**
  - Bike Routes
    - Shared Use Paths
    - Separated
    - Buffered
    - Shared
    - Bike Lane

# Bike Paths and Routes

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## North-South

- Goff Road
- Ridge Road
- Griswold/Folly Brook
- Wolcott Hill
- Maple
- Silas Deane
- Middletown/Spring
- Highland/Thornbush

## East-West

- Jordan Lane
- Nott
- Church
- Wells
- Prospect
- Two Rod/Hang Dog

# Bike Paths and Routes

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## Others

- State/Hartford Ave.
- Main Street
- Marsh/Great Meadow Rd.
- Broad Street
- Genesee and Wyoming Rail/Trail
- Putnam Bridge/Glastonbury Connection
- Hartford/Riverfront Recapture Connection
- Great Meadow/Rocky Hill Connection

# Other Facilities

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- **Bicycle Parking**

- Schools
- Municipal/Community Facilities
- Parks
- Multi Family Developments
- Shops/Employment
- Visitor Attractions
- Open Spaces
- New Developments

- **Bus Stops and Shelters**

- Town Line Road
- 1321 Silas Deane Highway

# Policies and Programs (6 E's)

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- Engineering
- Education
- Encouragement
- Enforcement
- Equity
- Evaluation

# Policies and Programs

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- ADA Coordinator
- Request For Service Improvements
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee
- Funding
- Staff Training
- ADA Improvement Policy
- Sidewalk Conditions Survey
- Sidewalk Gap Program
- Assess Town Facilities ADA
- Ordinance Reviews and Updates
- Bus Stop Improvement Program

# Implementation Plan

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- Priority A, B or C
- Description of Recommendation
- Target Date/Timing
- Lead
- Partners (Council, PZC, Engineering, Police, Physical Services, Bike/Walk W etc...)
- Funding and Source ( CIP, DOT, Grant)

# Implementation Plan

## A. Education

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Priority	Description	Timing	Target Date	Funding	Leader	Partners
<b>A</b>	1. Provide Safety classes for riders of all ages and abilities	11/2012	Ongoing	n/a	<b>All</b>	TC PZC DRAC HDC
<b>B</b>	2. School-based physical education bicycle education programs.	11/2012	Ongoing	n/a	<b>PZC</b>	HDC CC IWC
<b>B</b>	3. Education outreach to motorists	11/2012	Ongoing	n/a	<b>HDC</b>	PZC TC
<b>C</b>	4. Establish a campaign utilizing website and Social Media to educate and information about safe walking, bicycling and driving practices	11/2012	Ongoing	n/a	<b>TC</b>	PZC DRAC
<b>B</b>	5. Expand the educational programs that offers helmet giveaways to include bicycle lights and reflective gear.	11/2012	Ongoing	n/a	<b>PZC</b>	DRAC TP
<b>B</b>	6. Expand the use of educational tools such as in- and off-street signage around crosswalks and pedestrian right of way.	11/2012	Ongoing	n/a	<b>PZC</b>	COC
<b>B</b>	1. Educate residents and businesses about their responsibility under town ordinance to keep sidewalks clear of snow, vegetation and debris.	11/2012	Ongoing	n/a	<b>Town</b>	TC PZC

# Prioritization

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- With limited resources which projects are most important?
- Scoring System
  - Near Schools, Parks, Transit - Connectivity
  - Near Multi Family and Employment
  - Public Input
  - State vs. Local Roads
  - Improve Safety

# Draft Plan - Remaining Tasks

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- **Implementation Plan**

- Maps
- Specific Recommendations
- Responsible Parties (Engineering, Police, Physical Services, PZC, Bike/Walk W etc...)
- Costs/Funding (CIP, DOT, Grant)
- Timing (Short, Medium or Long Term)
- Phasing – Corridor Approach
- Priority (A, B or C)

# Draft Plan - Remaining Tasks/Next Steps

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- **Community Involvement**
- Public Meetings
- PZC
- Town Council
- Public Hearing
- Adoption of Plan

# Project Updates

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- CCGP Grant – Old Wethersfield
- AARP Community Challenge Grant 2019
- Wolcott Hill Road Improvements
- Highland Street Pavement Rehabilitation
- Hartford Avenue Repaving Project
- Great Meadow Road Improvements – Heritage Way
- Putnam Bridge Trail

# Other Business

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- **PeopleForBikes Community Grant Program**
- Supports bicycle infrastructure projects and targeted advocacy initiatives that make it easier and safer for people of all ages and abilities to ride.
- Activities may include engineering and design work, construction costs (including materials, labor, and equipment rental), and reasonable volunteer support costs. In the case of advocacy projects, the organization will fund staffing that is directly related to accomplishing the goals of the initiative.
- Grants of up to \$10,000, Letters of Interest are due January 22, 2021

Questions?

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Comments?

# Reminder

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Photographs

Bicycle and Pedestrian Activity

# Next Meeting

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Thursday January 14, 2021

6:30 p.m., Virtual Zoom Meeting