

## CRONTON PARISH COUNCIL



### CRONTON CYCLE ROUTE

#### WHAT WE KNOW

In 2019 the Liverpool City Region Combined Authority gave Knowsley Council a grant of £1.6m to create a cycle route linking Cronton with Prescot. The route will tie into routes being managed by Halton Council and will connect with the Trans Pennine Trail. The cycle route has been split into phases in order to manage the project. Phases 8 and 9 are the ones which directly affect The Cronton Parish. The following is information we have on these two phases.

#### **Phase 9**

This phase covers the route from Sandy Lane to the controlled crossing on Cronton Road (opposite Cronton Community Centre). It will then travel along Kenley Avenue – Hampton Drive - turning right into Woburn Drive – left into Hall Lane – continuing to the junction with Smithy Lane – crossing into Penny Lane until the end of Penny Lane is reached.

Recently works have been completed along Cronton Road from Sandy Lane to examine problems which have been identified with the drains. Repairs to the drains will be completed at the same time as the highway works in connection with the cycle route.

The footpath between Sandy Lane and the controlled crossing will be widened to create a cycle path. The rest of phase 9 relates to signage of the route.

As this is work to an existing highway it is deemed to be permitted development and therefore does not require planning approval. For this reason the Parish Council will not be formally consulted on phase 9.

#### **Phase 8**

This phase covers the creation of a combined cycleway, bridleway and footpath linking the end of Penny Lane with Fox's Bank Lane. The route will cross Fox's Bank Lane via a new \*Pegasus crossing and enter the proposed country park as it continues to Prescot.

A lease has been signed for a 8m wide strip of greenbelt land from the western end of Penny Lane to Fox's Bank Lane where it will cross the road by means of a \*Pegasus crossing. This will give access to the proposed country park.

As this is a change of use of agricultural land it will require planning approval. Cronton Parish Council and affected residents will be formally consulted on the scheme.

The Parish Council has received some information from the project manager and is in the process of trying to arrange a meeting with him so that we are better informed in advance of receiving formal

consultation. It will also be an opportunity to discuss concerns that have been expressed about the project at recent Parish Council meetings.

If you would like to comment on the project please use the contact form on this website.

Drawings and details of phase 8 should be provided to the Parish Council in the next 2 – 3 weeks at which time this page will be updated.

\* The Pegasus crossing was re-located following concerns expressed by the Parish Council.