

Digby -Holyoake Cycle Route

The County Council are proposing to establish a number of new cycle ways in the Carlton and Gedling area. One of these would be on **Shelford Road** whilst another would be on the eastern part of **Digby Avenue** before heading along **Holyoake Road** and then eastwards along **Westdale Lane**. The proposed cycle ways would not involve any changes to footpaths- cyclists would still be expected to cycle on the roads with the only exception being a short stretch of the cycle route along Westdale Lane there would be shared use of the existing footpath for pedestrians and cyclists with a widened 'toucan crossing' to replace the existing pedestrian crossing. Some footpath widening may be required on the other side of Westdale Lane by the bus stop.

A final decision on which of the proposed cycle ways in the Carlton /Gedling area should go ahead will be made soon by the County Council. Funding for the cycle routes comes from central government funds rather than existing County Highway's monies for road maintenance. To view the proposed routes go to: www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/CarltonCycle

Westdale Lane-Cavendish Road Footpath

The footpath, that connects Westdale Lane (near to the Westdale Court flats) with Cavendish Road has finally been re-opened after being closed for over a year. The closure was due to the building of new houses on the former Cavendish Pub site. The County Council have now 'regularised' this footpath by designating it a registered public right of way. This gives the path legal protection from being obstructed and allows the council to undertake basic repairs where there is a trip hazard.

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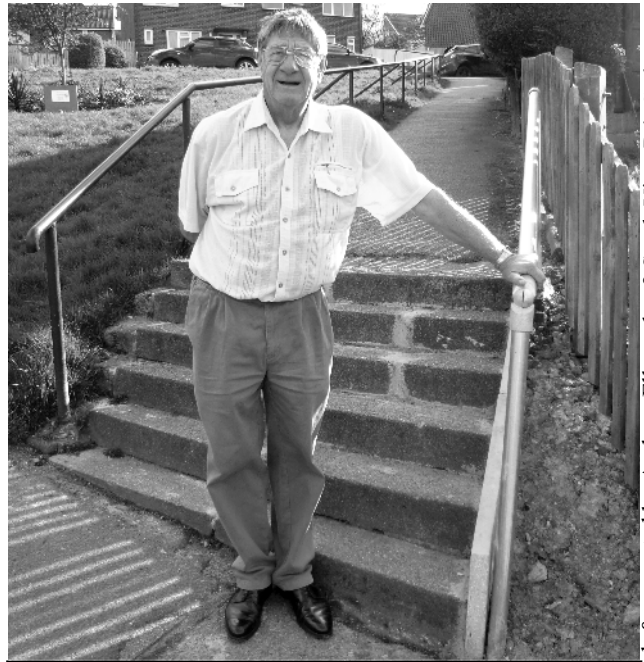
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Chesterfield Avenue Steps



Above: Clive at the improved steps on Chesterfield Avenue

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Last year we received complaints about the state of the steps on **Chesterfield Avenue** close by to **Perlethorpe Avenue**. We were able to persuade the Borough Council to include the repair of these steps in a spring works programme. The work was completed to a good standard and the council also added an additional hand rail.

Cavendish Avenue Sign

Right: Clive at the vandalised street sign on Cavendish Avenue



Last year we requested that the Borough Council replace the street sign on Cavendish Avenue which is in a very poor condition. We are aware that to save money the council tend to order replacement street signs in a batch rather than individually. However recently we raised this issue again with the council as it seems strange that the sign still hasn't been replaced. The council have now told us that the sign is in the council depot and they hope to be able to fix it in the near future.