

# Information

Hastings Greenway Trust (HGT) was set up in 2020, by Hastings Greenway Group and other organisations, with support from Hastings Voluntary Action.

It was registered with the Charity Commission as a 'Charitable Incorporated Organisation' (CIO) to give the necessary legal status for owning land and seeking charitable funding. The main reason for forming HGT was to provide a 'project delivery' organisation that would focus on the task of creating Greenway routes and working with other authorities, agencies and community organisations for the same purpose.

**Purpose (HGT registered as a CIO)**

Charity No. 1191171

***' To promote and assist in the development and provision, for the public benefit, of safe Greenway routes, paths and facilities for cycling, walking and healthy recreation in and around Hastings '***

## **Structure & Operation**

- Managed by trustees and registered with the Charity Commission
- Employ staff as funding allows.
- Develop a volunteer team to help with route clearance and maintenance
- Seek collaboration & liaise with stakeholder organisations
- Provide accountability via local forums and community groups

## **Principal Roles**

- Promote and consult on Greenway routes
- Support campaigns for Greenways and walking & cycling route infrastructure
- Obtain grant funding from statutory and charitable sources
- Design and develop routes and sections of routes
- Acquire land by purchase or transfer for Greenway routes
- Take on the lease of land corridors for Greenway routes where this is an option
- Research new Greenway routes and link routes
- Work with other organisations such as local authorities and land developers to construct, manage and maintain routes
- Enhance Greenway routes with surface improvements, seating and other amenities
- Train and support volunteers to maintain Greenway routes and infrastructure

## **Principle aims and objectives**

HGT will assist in the process of developing the routes of the Hastings Greenway network and the routes included in the Hastings Walking & Cycling Strategy and any new routes and links that contribute to these routes plans in and around Hastings.

The initial HGT priorities for Greenway routes are:

- Rail Trackside Route from Hastings Station to Alexandra Park and on to Ore Station.
- Ore Valley Greenway (in collaboration with Ore Community Land Trust)
- Hastings Country Park Greenway (& National Cycle Route 2 improvement plan)

Other Greenways and cycling & walking routes will be given their relevant priority by a decision of the trustees

### **Collaboration and accountability**

HGT will work with the Hastings Greenway Group, Ore Community Land Trust, Hastings Urban Bikes, Hastings Living Streets and local Ramblers.

HGT will also work & liaise with community and interest groups, forums and statutory organisations, land owners and developers.

HGT will report to Hastings Sustainable Transport Forum and other local transport forums and groups.

### **How to get involved**

- as a registered contact
- as a volunteer
- as a trustee - with relevant skills & experience or to represent an organisations or a community or interest group

### *Map of Hastings Greenway Network*



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