

# South Wonston Sustainability

## A Guide to South Wonston to Winchester City Centre Cycle Routes

### Introduction

There are several possible cycle routes from South Wonston to Winchester city centre.

This guide aims to show one of the routes which, although somewhat longer, minimises the time spent on busy roads. This route is referred to as the “less traffic” route.

For comparison there is some information on the “direct route” into Winchester which follows Andover Road for the second part of the journey. As most South Wonston residents travel this route regularly it is not covered in detail.

Both routes start with the cycle path which heads over the field from the Ox Drove near the west end of the South Wonston recreation ground. This cycle path is often called the “Yellow Brick Road”. Both routes finish in Middle Brook Street, next to the Brookes Centre.

### Overview

#### South Wonston to City: Less Traffic Route

- Via the “Yellow Brick Road” cycle path, Kings Barton, Courtenay Rd, Worthy Road and River Park.
- Distance: 5.6 miles (9km).
- Approximate Journey Time: 43 mins at an easy pace.
- Comment: a longer route but avoiding most of the busy roads on the way to the city. Minimises time on Andover Road.

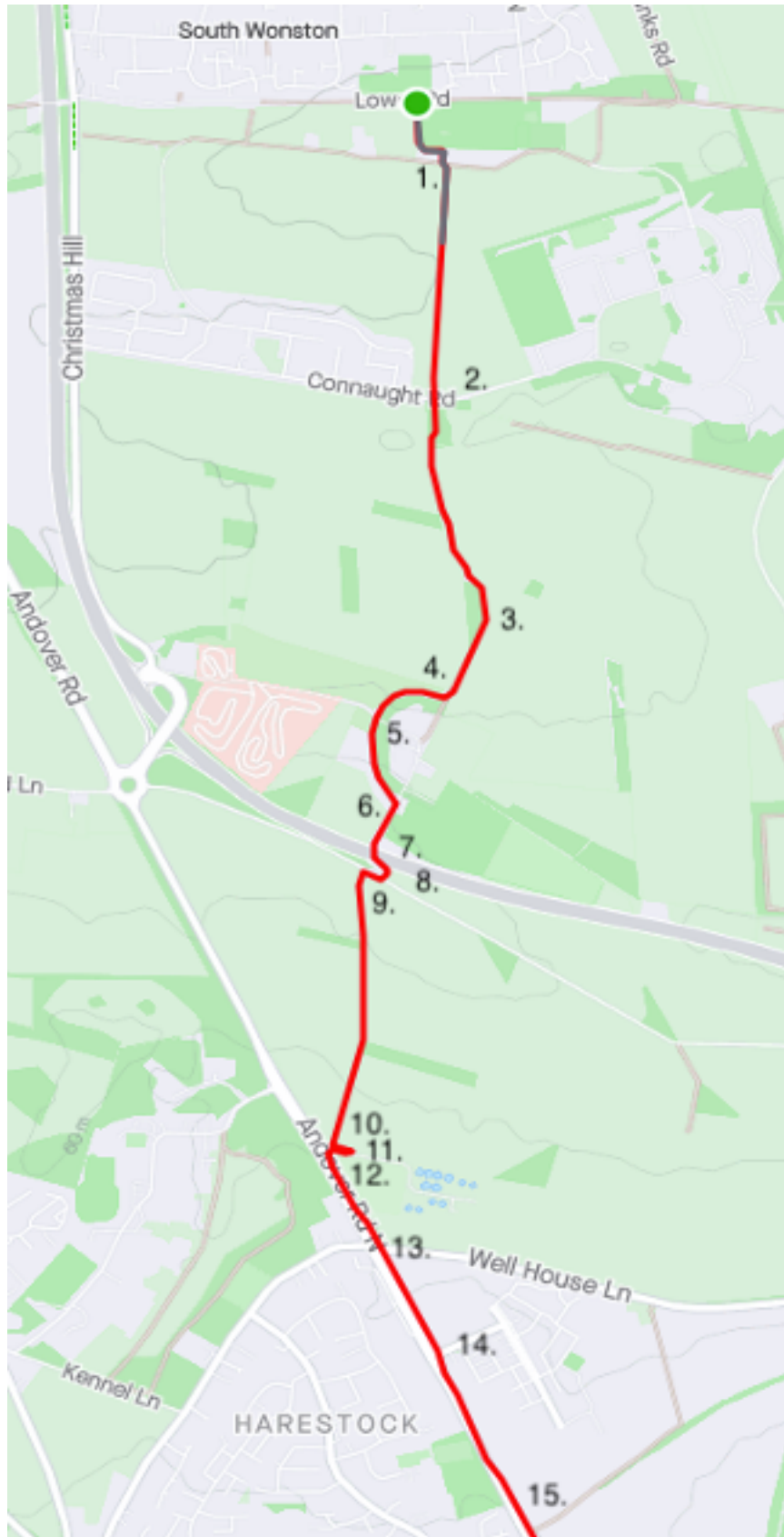
#### South Wonston to City: Direct Route

- Via the “Yellow Brick Road” cycle path and Andover Road, City Road and North Walls.
- Distance: 5.0 miles (8km).
- Approximate Journey Time: 35 mins at an easy pace.
- Comments:
  - the most direct route, but Andover Road and North Walls are often busy.
  - the first 3 turnings to the right on North Walls are no entry, so cyclists have to use Sussex Street or go along North Walls to Middle Brook Street.

### Disclaimer

This guide illustrates two possible routes which could be taken by cyclists heading to Winchester city centre. It does not constitute a recommendation of these routes. South Wonston Sustainability disclaims responsibility for any loss or damage to themselves or third parties incurred by cyclists using this guide and any failure on the part of cyclists using this guide to judge and understand fully potential risks, or failure to demonstrate adequate riding skills and awareness of, and politeness towards, other users, who may include cyclists, horse riders and pedestrians.

# Part 1 South Wonston to Andover Road – Map



## Part 1 South Wonston to Andover Road – Route Notes

1. From the Ox Drove near the Recreation Ground take the path south over the hill.



2. Cross Connaught Road using the zebra crossing.



3. Follow the path straight ahead between the trees, up the hill, bear left and down next the hill.



4. Towards the bottom of the hill bear right at the sign post.



5. Join the fenced path with the fence on your right. The fence is there to protect cyclists and walkers from lorries using the road.



6. At the end of the fenced path, turn right along the road towards the A34 bridge. The Golf Academy and Café will be on your left.



7. Once under the bridge turn left and follow the road up the hill; **be aware of cars and lorries who also use this road, particularly at the bridge where visibility is limited.**



8. Cross Down Farm Lane **with care** and join the path on the other side of the road.



9. Follow the path round to the right, then left across the field and down the hill.



10. Continue all the way to the bottom of the hill, then turn left to reach the cycle ramp.



11. Turn right to reach Andover Road.



12. Turn left and continue along Andover Road; there is a cycle lane as far as Well House Lane.





13. Cross the Well House Lane Junction **with care**.



14. Cross the first entrance road to Kings Barton, Manley Road.



15. Continue along Andover Road, towards the Pelican Crossing at the top of the hill.

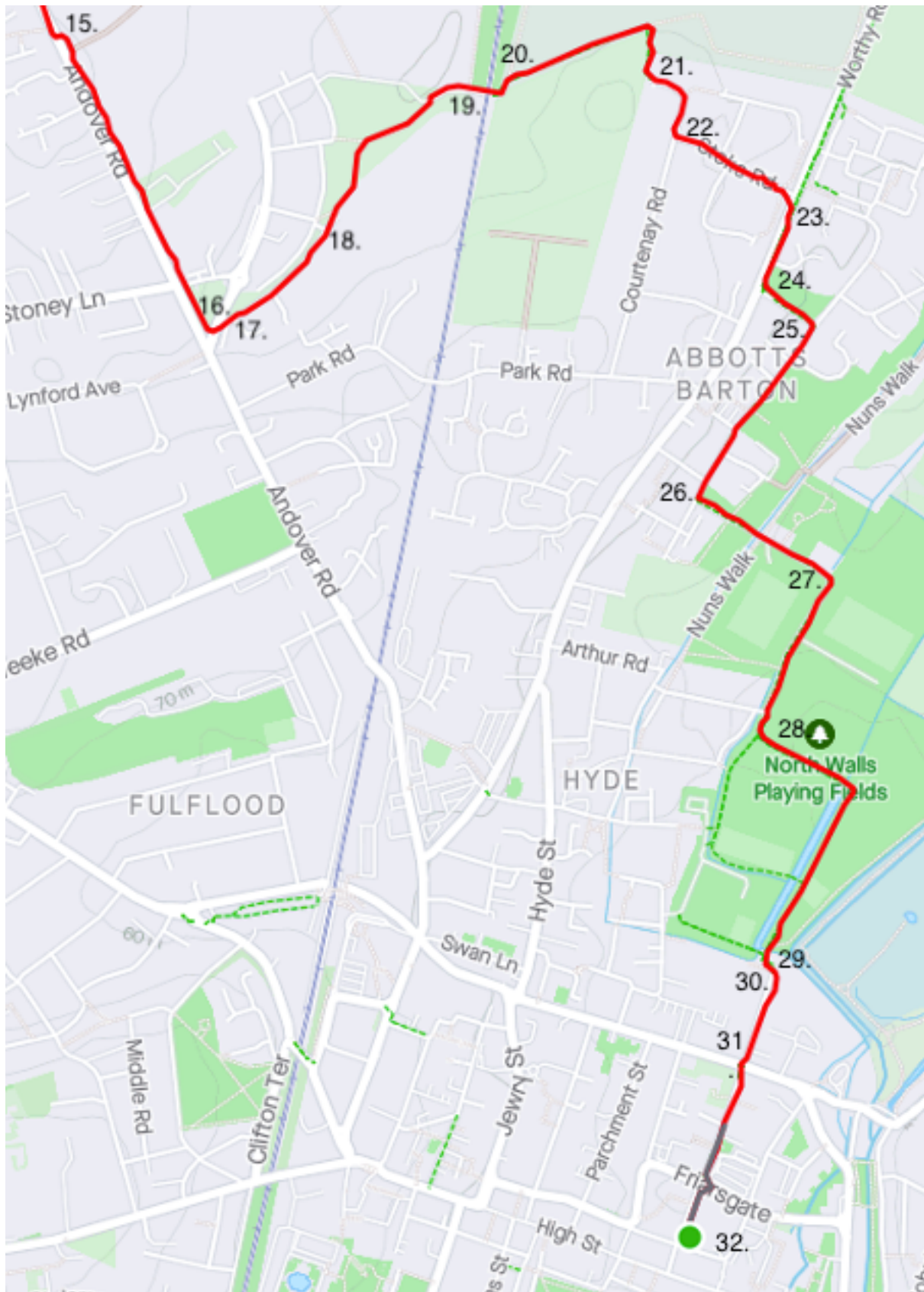


## Part 2 Andover Road to City Centre via Kings Barton – Route Notes

These notes describe a “less traffic” route which turns left off Andover Road for quieter paths and roads. The “direct route” continues straight down Andover Rd and City Road to the city centre, but this means cycling along some of the busiest roads.

A variation to the “less traffic route” which further reduces the time on Andover Road is to turn left onto the path just after the pelican crossing (15.), pass through the gap in the hedge and, keeping the hedge/trees on the left, follow the path round to the right, downhill to the railway bridge which is shown in 19. below.

## Part 2 Andover Road to City Centre via Kings Barton – Map



16. From the pelican crossing continue along Andover Road as far as the second entrance road to Kings Barton. Turn left here into Winchester Avenue.



17. Almost immediately turn right into Hyldeborne Road.



18. At the end of Hyldeborne Road join the tarmac cycle path.



19. Follow the path and go under the railway bridge.



20. Join the tarmac cycle path beyond the bridge.



21. At the end of the cycle path join Courtenay Road.



22. Follow Courtenay Road around to the right and then take the first left down Stoke Road to Worthy Road.



23. Turn right along Worthy Road; the pavement here is a shared pedestrian / cycle path, part of the Kings Worthy to Winchester cycle route; our route follows this to the city centre.



24. Continue along Worthy Road, then turn left into Dyson Drive; note the sign refers to the old leisure centre.



25. Turn right along Chaundler Road.





26. Turn left into Hillier Way.



27. At the end of Hillier Way turn right; follow this road into River Park



28. Turn left just before the cricket pavilion.



29. Follow the path over the bridge, turn right and go all the way along to the skate park.



30. Turn left and then immediately right onto Park Avenue, past the School of Art.



31. Cross North Walls at the traffic lights.



32. Follow cycle route along Middle Brook Street all the way to the City Centre; there is some cycle parking just before Friarsgate.

