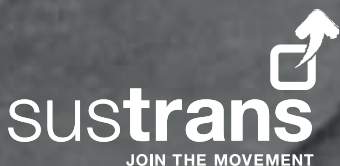


The Canal Approach Greenway



A walking and cycling proposal of national significance



Introduction

Walking and cycling between Canada Water and Deptford currently requires crossing Evelyn Street (A200), a hazardous trunk road with high traffic volumes, speeds, accidents and air pollution levels.

A section of the former Grand Surrey Canal provides a unique opportunity to overcome this severance whilst unlocking vital new walking and cycling trips and restoring some of the rich heritage to the area.

Vision

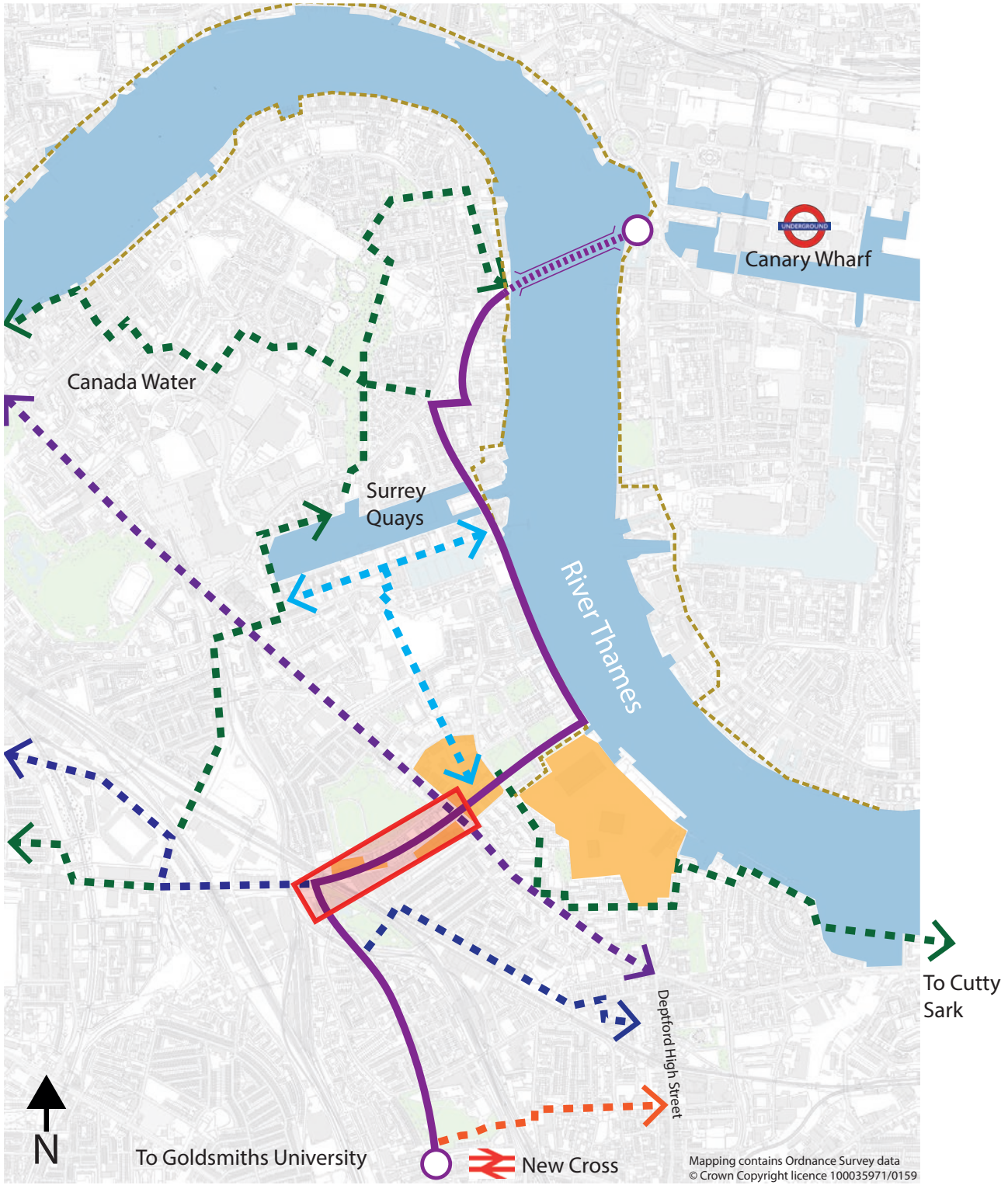
Our vision is to create a world class traffic-free greenway for walkers and cyclists between New Cross and Central London by restoring full public access to Canal Approach via Black Horse Bridge (see dashed pink line on map).

The greenway will provide the vital link in connecting south east London with The Thames Path National Trail, central London and the Mayor of London's proposed walking and cycling crossing between Rotherhithe and Canary Wharf. The greenway will also connect Transport for London's Quietway 1 route which takes cyclists between Waterloo and Greenwich.



Partnership

The project will be community led through the Canal Approach Greenway Group (including Deptford Folk, Lewisham Cyclists, Ramblers, Deptford Park Resident's Association and Francis Drake School) in partnership with LB Lewisham, Sustrans, Transport for London. We will work closely with local developers to make sure the greenway complements and enhances their transport strategy aspirations.



Key



New Cross to Canada Water traffic free walking and cycling route



Proposed walking and cycling crossing



Proposed Canal Approach Greenway



Proposed Cycle Superhighway 4



Thames Path National Trail



National Cycle Network



Quietway 1 (Waterloo - Greenwich)



Existing traffic free ped+cycle route



Walking and cycling route via Surrey Canal linear park

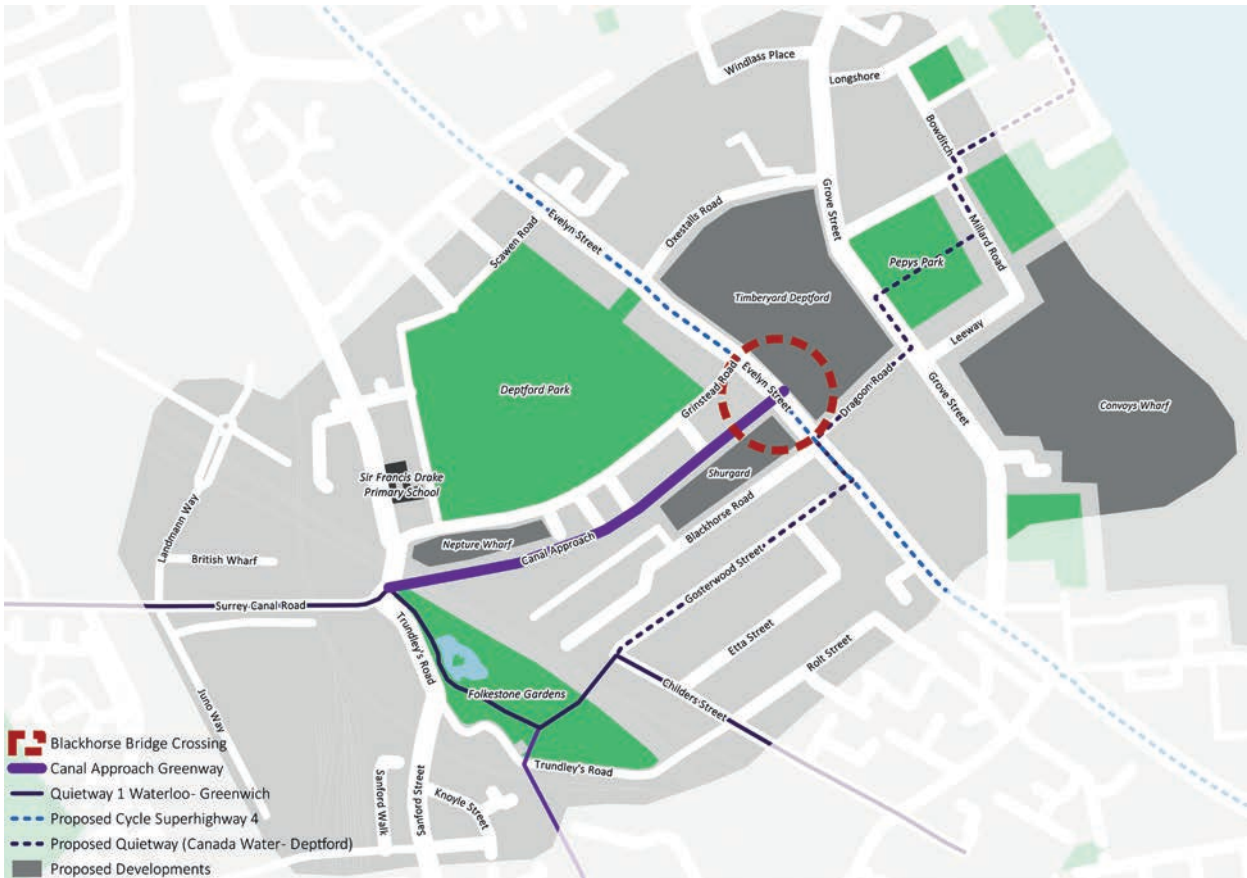


New developments

Demand

Through the Mayor of London’s ‘Healthy Streets’ approach, which aims to ensure Londoners use cars less and walk, cycle and use public transport more often, the Strategic Cycling Analysis report identifies where demand for cycling is high. The Mayor and TfL are also committed to improving facilities for walkers and promoting the existing strategic walking network including the Thames Path.

It is clear from the Strategic Cycling Analysis that the Deptford, New Cross and Canada Water area of south east London is an area with rapid development and increasing demand for walking and cycling facilities. The Canal Approach Greenway will cater for much of this increased demand that will come about as a result of the developments at Convoys Wharf, Deptford Timberyard, Neptunes Wharf and Shurgard.



Next Steps

The next step is the preparation of a feasibility study (approx 5 months long) to understand the project and to provide a platform for taking the project to construction

Feasibility Cost

The below costs are an approximation based on previous feasibility studies Sustrans has been involved with.

Project management.....	£12,000
Engineering.....	£15,000
Ecology.....	£6,000
Architectural, urban and landscape advice.....	£4,000
Community engagement.....	£6,000
Planning and consents.....	£5,000
Total (approx.).....	£48,000