

# Cycling around Haywards Heath



**T**here is a network of different rides around Haywards Heath that can be discovered by bicycle. The network allows you the choice of starting points and routes to suit your ability and time.

Suggested start points:

- A Haywards Heath Town Hall / Oaklands**
- B Beech Hurst Gardens**
- C Ashenground Bridge**
- D The Wheatsheaf Public House, Cuckfield**
- E Bluntswood Car Park (end of Bluntswood Crescent)**
- F The Dolphin Leisure Centre**
- G Railway Station\***

\*For those arriving by train, take the side entrance to join the cycle route.



## Cyclists should:

- **Have a properly maintained bicycle**
- **Wear a safety helmet**
- **Have basic cycle craft skills**
- **Adhere to the Highway Code**

## ROUTE 1 - TO BOLNORE

Leave Oaklands (A) either via Paddockhall Road or Boltro Road/Muster Green to The Sergison Arms Pub on the roundabout junction of the A272. You may have to dismount your bike to access Bolnore Road on the opposite side (next to the Police station). Bolnore Road is a quiet no-through local road that leads to a new cycle path at the end. Access to Bolnore Road may also be gained from Beech Hurst Gardens (B).

From here you can connect to route Nos 2, 3 and 4.



## ROUTE 2 - ANCIENT BRIDLEWAYS

Leave from Beech Hurst Gardens and follow the ancient bridleway adjacent to Bolnore Village to Ashenground Bridge (C) entering an ancient woodland glade.. Side trips can be made into Bolnore Village on the cycleways incorporated into the development. Once the eastern phase is built, a short ride will be possible back to The Sergison Arms roundabout or back via Sunnywood Drive. If Victoria Park is used, please comply with signed cycling regulations. This returns you to the town and start points, but traffic may influence whether to cycle or ride in all places here.

## ROUTE 3 - BOLNORE VILLAGE

Discover Bolnore Village using combination of cycle paths and quiet village roads. Keep within the village and exit on the top roundabout onto the dedicated cycle path into Chownes Mead Lane (B2184). (Link to route 4). Either return on the signed cycle path to Bolnore Road, Beech Hurst Gardens and the Sergison Arms roundabout or via Isaacs Lane (closed to traffic) and easterly along the A272 to the Sergison Arms roundabout.



## ROUTE 4 - TO CUCKFIELD (links from routes 2 and 3)

Take the dedicated cycle path into Chownes Mead Lane (B2184) along the cycle path next to the A272 (see route 3). At the roundabout, where there are dedicated cycle traffic lights, continue along the local road into Cuckfield and The Wheatsheaf Pub (D). Take care when crossing the road here.

From here you can connect to route No. 5.

## ROUTE 5 - BLUNTSWOOD

A metalled bridleway most of the way through a pleasant nature reserve. The path turns into a private unmade road at the Cuckfield end (D) and arrives at Blunts Wood Car Park (E). Continue left into Bluntswood Road to return to the railway station.

From here you can connect to route No. 6 or return to Oaklands via route No. 7.



## ROUTE 6 - HARLANDS (circular route)

Start at either the Leisure Centre (F) or the railway station (G). Take Harlands Road into Penland Road then follow Balcombe Road into Sainsbury's where there is a dedicated cycle path that leads to the railway station (G).

This route may be of interest to cyclists wishing to reach the Borde Hill Estate, which is featured as part of the Mid-Sussex section of the national Byways Route. This offers inviting cycle rides throughout Mid Sussex via Balcombe and Ardingly using OS maps. Balcombe Tea Rooms make an ideal stop.



## ROUTE 7 - STATION LINK

Takes you from the Railway Station via the side entrance (in preference) into Market Square, up Boltro Road to Oaklands Campus (A) situated behind the library.



# HAYWARDS HEATH CYCLE ROUTES

- Route 1 - 0.75 mile, 1.5 km
- Route 2 - 3 mile, 4.8 km
- Route 3 - 1.5 mile, 2.4 km
- Route 4 - 1 mile, 1.6 km
- Route 5 - 0.5 mile, 0.8 km
- Route 6 - 1.5 mile, 2.4 km
- Route 7

