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**GODALMING TOWN COUNCIL AWARDS FIRST CARBON REDUCTION & BIODIVERSITY GRANT**

At Godalming Town Council's Environment & Planning Committee meeting held via Zoom on Thursday, 8 October, Godalming Town Councillors heard from members of the Godalming Cycle Campaign (GCC) who were seeking a grant to assist with the Greenway project. Councillors resolved to grant £3,000.00 to the Godalming Cycle Campaign to cover the cost of a feasibility and design study of the Phillips Memorial Park section of the Guildford – Godalming Greenway.

The Guildford – Godalming Greenway will link the two towns with a safe and comfortable route suitable for people who are walking, on bikes, using wheelchairs or families with children in pushchairs. The Greenway will facilitate access to public transport for cyclists and pedestrians without having to use motor vehicles. The feasibility and design study will consider the relative benefits of a route along The Bury's path as well as a route through the Phillips Memorial Park. The GCC have been championing the Greenway which aims to reduce CO<sup>2</sup> emissions and encourage residents to lead more active lifestyles as well as encouraging children to use Active Travel to get to school.

For more information on the Greenway visit <http://www.guildfordgodalminggreenway.com>  
Godalming Town Council established a Carbon Reduction & Biodiversity Fund in July 2019 in order to provide funding towards projects where a primary aim is to reduce CO<sup>2</sup> emissions from households, organisations or individuals in Godalming and to promote biodiversity. For more information on criteria and how to apply please visit [godalming-tc.gov.uk/grants](http://godalming-tc.gov.uk/grants)

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