



## Newsletter May/June 2011



Your guide to what's going on with  
Shrewsbury's cycling town campaign  
and Connect2

[www.cycleshrewsbury.co.uk](http://www.cycleshrewsbury.co.uk)



## Connect2 walking and cycling improvements: Raven Meadows/Smithfield Road

Following the junction improvements at Welsh Bridge in spring 2010, there are now plans for changes at the junction of Raven Meadows, Smithfield Road and the bus station.

These plans aim to:

- Provide more space for people to walk and cycle
- Make it safer for people to cross Smithfield Road
- Make it easier for buses to turn into the bus station
- Cut congestion by improving traffic flows through the junction



The consultation runs until 3 June 2011. You can see the plan on the Cycle Shrewsbury website and at the following locations:

- Shirehall (main reception), Abbey Foregate
- The Guildhall, Frankwell Quay

Please take a look at the proposals and tell us what you think by completing the feedback form available on the website:

[www.cycleshrewsbury.co.uk/cycle-network-improvements/have-your-say/connect2-walking-and-cycling-improvements](http://www.cycleshrewsbury.co.uk/cycle-network-improvements/have-your-say/connect2-walking-and-cycling-improvements)

## Reduced speed limit outside schools

A 20mph zone was officially opened on 18 May 2011 on York Road in Shrewsbury. It is part of a package of measures to improve safety and encourage more walking and cycling to both Greenacres and Grange Primary schools.



## Record numbers cycle to Shrewsbury Town FC

A record number of people cycled to Shrewsbury Town's match against Oxford United. Most of the 167 riders had joined Cycle Shrewsbury's match day ride from Coleham School.

We've been running increasingly popular match day rides all season. We would like to thank everyone who has joined a ride and especially Shrewsbury Town FC for their generous support in providing reduced-price tickets.

You can see photos and videos from these rides on the Cycle Shrewsbury website:

[www.cycleshrewsbury.co.uk/news-and-events/diary/stfc-match-day-rides](http://www.cycleshrewsbury.co.uk/news-and-events/diary/stfc-match-day-rides)

## Cycle Shrewsbury - the future

Shropshire Council submitted a bid to the Local Sustainable Transport Fund in April 2011. If successful, the funding will be used to continue the work of Cycle Shrewsbury.

The bid is available to read on the Shropshire Council website, where you can also read and comment on Shropshire's provisional Local Transport Plan:

[www.shropshire.gov.uk/traveltransport.nsf](http://www.shropshire.gov.uk/traveltransport.nsf)

We'll find out if the bid is successful at the end of June 2011.



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**BikeFest, 11 June 2011 10am-4pm**

**A fantastic free day out for all the family including:**

- A one man cycling circus
- Quest 88 adapted bikes and Islabikes bike try outs
- Guided bike rides
- Cycle skills training for all ages and abilities
- Have a go at BMX
- Dr Bike safety checks
- Bling your bike for the decorated bike parade
- Make your own pedal-powered smoothie
- Bike It tent with cycle-themed arts and crafts

[www.cycleshrewsbury.co.uk/news-and-events/diary/details/94\\_Shrewsbury\\_BikeFest\\_2011](http://www.cycleshrewsbury.co.uk/news-and-events/diary/details/94_Shrewsbury_BikeFest_2011)



**Fresh air miles ride to BikeFest**



Why not join our 3 mile cycle ride to BikeFest?

Organised by Sustrans Bike It officer, Kim Williams, meet at 10.15am by the Hercules statue in the Quarry.

The ride is free, no need to book, under 16's must be accompanied by an adult. Not suitable for bikes with stabilisers.

For more information email:  
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[www.cycleshrewsbury.co.uk/news-and-events/diary](http://www.cycleshrewsbury.co.uk/news-and-events/diary)

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## Dates for your diary

### 31 May - 2 June 2011 - Tri-cycling at half-term

3 day cycling course for children in year 5 and above.

### 5 June 2011 - Women on wheels social ride

10.30am Porthill Bridge.

### 7 June 2011 - Ride to Shropshire Cycle Forum

5pm from the Column in Shrewsbury.

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7pm National Trust, Carding Mill Valley.

### 11 June 2011 - Fresh air miles ride to BikeFest 2011

10.15am The Quarry.

### 11 June 2011 - BikeFest 2011

10am-4pm Shrewsbury Sports Village.

### 2 July 2011 - Family fun day

11am-3pm Upton Lane BMX track, off Crowmere Road.

### 3 July 2011 - Women on wheels social ride

10.30am Porthill Bridge. Tour of Shrewsbury's open studios.

### July 2011 - Shrewsbury Open Studios 2011

For more details of these and other events visit:

[www.cycleshrewsbury.co.uk/news-and-events/diary](http://www.cycleshrewsbury.co.uk/news-and-events/diary)

## Tri cycling at half-term

Time is running out to register for our tri cycling at half-term course.

Don't miss out - register by 23 May!

The course takes place 31 May - 2 June 2011 and comprises three fun-filled days of road, BMX and mountain biking skills for children in year 5 and above.

The cost is £30 or £15 for additional children in a family. It's free if you get free school meals.

Email [cycle.shrewsbury@shropshire.gov.uk](mailto:cycle.shrewsbury@shropshire.gov.uk) to reserve a place for your child by **Monday 23 May 2011**, then complete and return the booking form available on the website:

[www.cycleshrewsbury.co.uk/news-and-events/diary](http://www.cycleshrewsbury.co.uk/news-and-events/diary)



## Shrewsbury Open Studios 2011

Shrewsbury Open Studios 2011 takes place on the weekends of 2-3 July 2011 and 9-10 July 2011 and on the evening of Wednesday 6 July 2011.



During this time artists across Shrewsbury open their studios to present their work to the public.

We've designed a cycle route which takes in all of the open studios in Shrewsbury to help you plan your visit. Download it here:

[www.cycleshrewsbury.co.uk/news-and-events/news-archive/open-studios-2011](http://www.cycleshrewsbury.co.uk/news-and-events/news-archive/open-studios-2011)

The Women on Wheels ride on 3 July will follow this route.

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## New BMX club coaching sessions

Shrewsbury BMX Club has started running coaching sessions every Saturday at Upton Lane BMX track (Monkmoor) from 11am - 12pm.

Contact Steve Cunningham for more information, tel: 01743 252361 or email: [communityworking@shropshire.gov.uk](mailto:communityworking@shropshire.gov.uk)



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