



Paths for Communities - Project summary sheet:

Greno Woods

Project Title:	Greno Woods
Right of Way Created:	Bridleway 2.5 km
	Footpath
Improved existing rights:	n/a

Supporting local businesses:	2
Volunteer hours contributed:	not recorded
Cost of project:	£37,472
Grant rate:	71%

Greno wood is managed by the Sheffield Wildlife Trust (SWT). The wood is situated to the north of Sheffield City and as is a popular destination for the local communities. The Transpennine Cycleway cuts through the east of the woods and there are several public footpaths running east/west and north/south across the wood which provide good

access for pedestrian users. Informal access routes for horse riding and cycling across the site, but SWT saw P4C as an opportunity to create a new bridleway loop to improve access for cyclists and horse riders.

SWT contacted the local Public Rights of Way (PROW) officer who was very helpful in explaining the process of



creating a legal PROW. He advised SWT on other aspects of the project such as options for surfacing and drainage solutions. He also provided a link to the Local Access Forum who helped the SWT design a route that was suitable for all users.

The site is a nature reserve and the SWT have a program of felling the conifer plantations and encouraging more native broad-leaf trees to replace them. The new bridleways are complemented by informal cycle routes including some good down hill mountain biking challenges which are popular with local mountain bikers. SWT are continuing to provide downhill routes to manage this potentially damaging activity which will



'...a peaceful ancient woodland with lots of species to look out for including brown hares, badgers, bats and the common frog. There are over 60 species of birds including linnet, redpoll and little owl, as well as harbouring the rare Shining Guest Ant.

With a section of the Trans Pennine Trail in its midst as well as long and short tracks and trails, it has something for everyone including dog walkers, horse riders and cyclists.'

help them create areas that are less disturbed and keep the more adventurous bikers in safer areas. Where these challenging downhill routes meet the new bridleway clever little design features such as subtle chicanes, help slow the mountain bikers down

Links

Sheffield Wildlife Trust
Sheffield City Council Rights of Way
Sheffield City Local Access Forum

