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Policy Ref.	ROWIP Ref.	Achievements 2022-23	Ongoing targets 2023-24
H2 H3 S7 S8	Various	 Planning Applications, Pre-Applications and Developer Contributions Planning applications and pre-applications commented upon from the perspective of active travel and leisure walking, cycling and horseriding, putting forward ROWIP aspirations. Developer contributions sought and secured for off-site improvement through section 106 agreements, unilateral undertakings and s278 agreements Initiation of s106-funded improvement works in Alsager, Wilmslow and Congleton Securing improvements to Public Rights of Way and other walking and cycling access routes, to be delivered by developers within sites. 	Ongoing, as arising.
H2 H3 S7 S8	X15	 Publicity to promote walking, cycling and horse riding Articles submitted for Council newsletters and social media feeds for all news items, as arising. Suggestions for walks, cycle rides and horse riding routes published on Free walk leaflets for Cheshire East and Cheshire Walks - Visit Cheshire. Walks and countryside site leaflets distributed via countryparks, visitor information centres, libraries and on request to members of the public. Countryside Ranger Service events promoted via social media channels. 	Work ongoing.
H2 H3 S7 S8	n/a	 Rights of Way Consultative Group Twice yearly liaison meetings for PROW team and user group representatives. Updates provided on long term closures of PROW due to legal / resource issues. Improvements to the online collection of information on issue reports. Updates from local groups. Ongoing management of register of volunteers and issuance of Letters of Authority for volunteers assisting with waymarking and minor vegetation cutting and additionally legal order notice checking. 	Work ongoing.

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H2 H3 S7 S8	n/a	Cheshire East Countryside Access Forum Secretariat duties for Forum, a statutory body, whose members are volunteers, which advises the Council on matters relating to countryside access. The Forum: continued to hold quarterly meetings and recruited new members to increase the experience, knowledge and capacity of the Forum continued to monitor the Rights of Way Improvement Plan delivery and Public Rights of Way team resources contacted the head of Cheshire Farms Service about exploring the opportunities to improve the public rights of way network on its farms portfolio wrote to the head of the Legal department of the Council to seek that appropriate legal, as well as financial, resources were allocated to the resolution of the long term temporary closure of Brereton Bridleway No. 31 due to river erosion continued representation on the Lindow Moss Partnership project aiming to explain the history and value of Lindow Moss landscape noted that the latest NFU Mutual rural crime survey highlighted the implications of dog attacks on livestock received a number of presentations by HS2 Ltd to provide updates on the progress of Phase 2a and Phase 2b received a presentation from the Council's Economic Development team providing an overview of the Council's development proposals at the Handforth Garden Village site to the east of Wilmslow. continued to post on the Forum's FaceBook account in order to promote sharing of information including on responsible access to the countryside.	Work ongoing.

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H3 S7 S8	Various	 Road and rail infrastructure schemes Influencing road and rail infrastructure schemes through design development, the planning system and Side Road Orders to achieve best possible outcomes for non-motorised users, and ensuring delivery of infrastructure on the ground as well as legal records. A556/M56 junction, SEMMMS A6-Manchester Airport Relief Road, Congleton Link Road, A500 dualling, M6 missing Restricted Byway Bridge, Middlewich Eastern Bypass and Poynton Relief Road. Continued input of ROWIP aspirations into options and designs to maximise opportunities for improving routes for active travel and leisure walking, cycling and horse riding. Response to consultation and negotiation with HS2 scheme designers for improved accommodation of Public Rights of Way and rural lanes, to protect and enhance leisure and active travel routes affected by HS2 proposals. Continued liaison with Strategic Infrastructure team on planning and delivery of active travel schemes under the Cycling Strategy. Diagram showing the priorities of the Local Transport Plan 2019-2024	Work ongoing.