Proposals to make upgrades to footpaths endorsed by Romsey Future

Romsey Future has endorsed a project to upgrade footpaths in the town to improve access for residents.

The proposals have come from Romsey Town Council, to try to make it as easy as possible for pedestrians, mobility scooters, wheelchairs, prams and cyclists to get around.

The plans include enhancing three different footpaths, including The Vikings, the canal path near the Plaza and Sadlers Mill.

Some of the narrow openings at these locations means it is hard for some mobility scooters, particularly the more modern ones, to get through.

Romsey Future is also supporting a plan to upgrade the footpath from Greatbridge Industrial Estate to Grayling Mead and Fishlake Meadows.

The town council says the current path is narrow and uneven, and can also become unusable when there is bad weather.

The proposal would see the path made wider to accommodate both pedestrians and cyclists.

Romsey town councillor John Critchley said:

"I am delighted that Romsey Future has endorsed these projects proposed by Romsey Town Council.

"Once funded and completed, all these proposals will help improve the quality of life for Romsey residents."

Councillor Nick Adams-King, chair of Romsey Future, added:

"We're pleased to endorse these proposals as Romsey Future and look forward to the changes being made in our town. There is public support for the plans and it would make access for our residents much easier. "It's the ambitions of the Romsey Future group to try to improve life for our residents in whatever way we can and hope we can support many more projects like this in years to come."

Now these projects have been supported by Romsey Future, Test Valley Borough Council will be working with relevant partners, including Hampshire County Council, to seek funding and any other requirements needed to deliver the proposals.

Romsey Future sets out a long-term vision for Romsey. It is an active partnership of many groups and organisations working together to deliver projects, attract funding, and to guide future policies and strategies.

To find out more about Romsey Future visit www.romseyfuture.org.uk.

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