



MAC

WEDNESDAY 6 SEPTEMBER 2017

INAUGURAL MEETING 6 MARCH 2003

**Promoted, formed and
financed by our Parish Councils:**

*Bepton; Cocking; Easebourne;
Elsted and Treyford cum Didling;
Heyshott; Milland; Stedham
with Iping; Trotton with
Chithurst; Woolbeding with
Redford; Midhurst Town Council*

Supported by:

*West Sussex County Council;
Chichester District Council;
South Downs Conservation
Board*

Under the chairmanship of:

Elizabeth Hamilton,
ably assisted by many local
supporters.

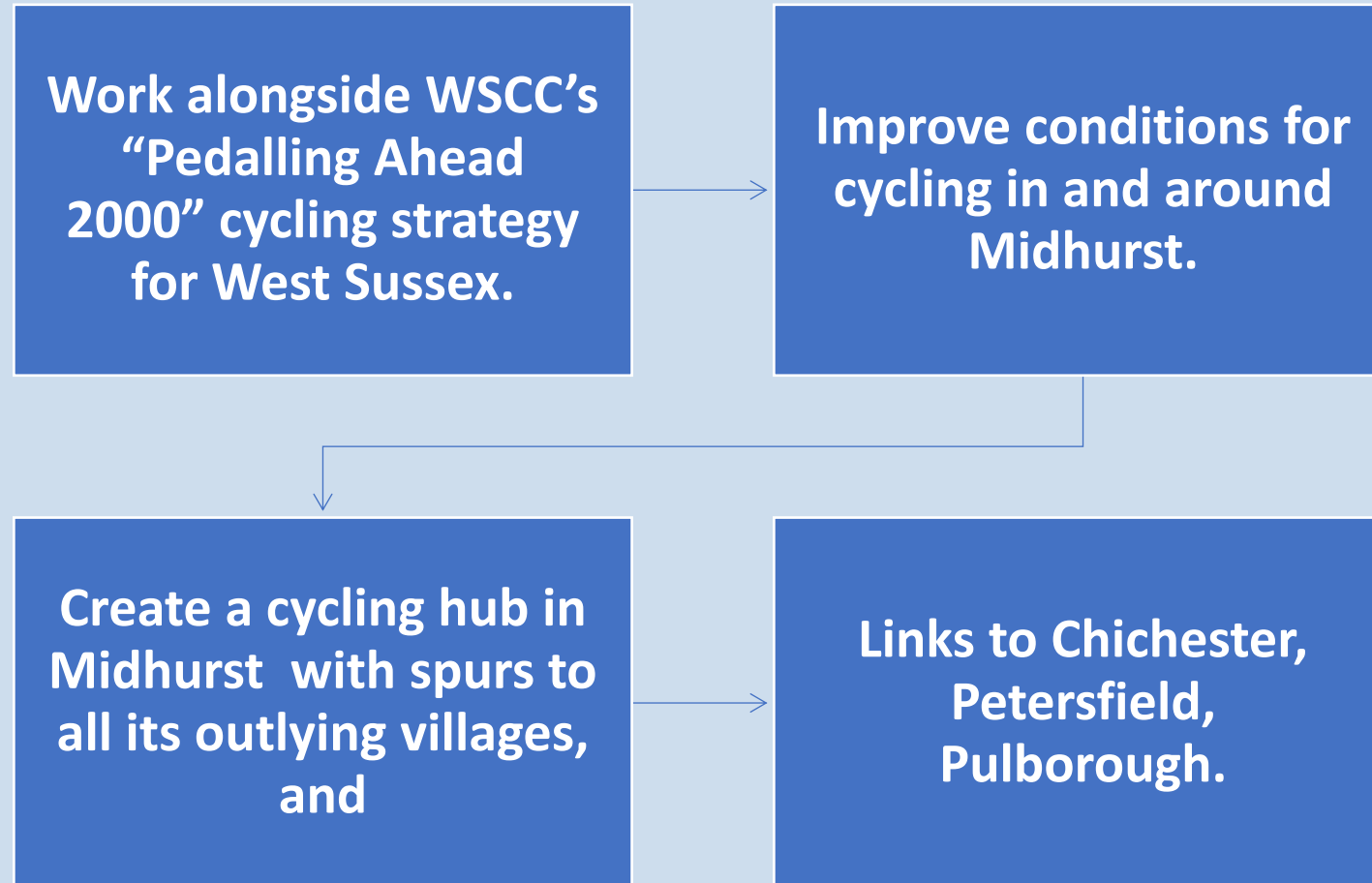
Now,

Nobby Stiles of Trotton PC

Midhurst Area Cycling

MAC rolling along
for 14 years

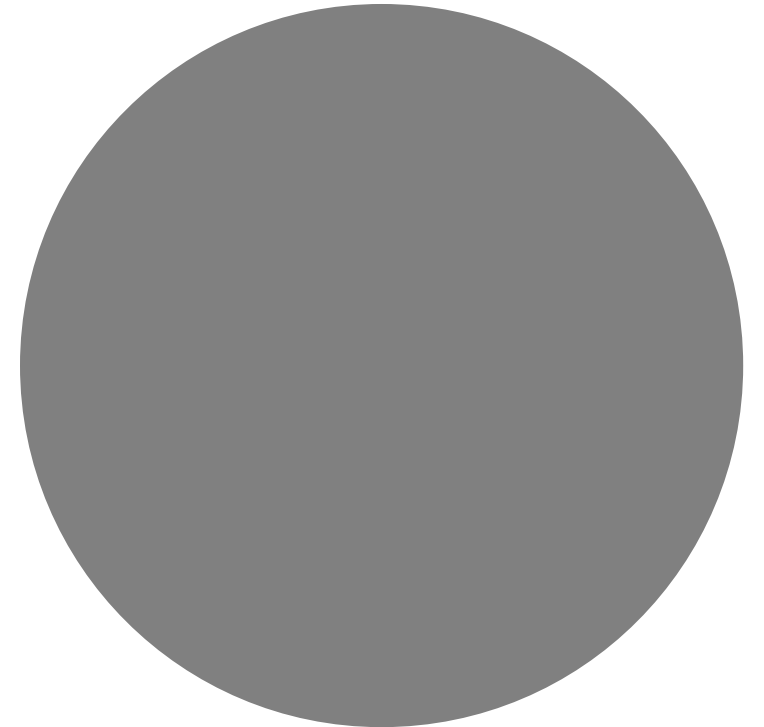
MAC's original intentions



- **Better health and a cleaner, quieter environment**
- **Encouraging safe cycling for young people in particular to enjoy:**
 - **being a practical way of moving in and around and out of town**
 - **providing excellent physical and mental health benefits**
 - **making our countryside more accessible**
 - **offering an economical and viable alternative to petrol and diesel**
 - **being the very best Green option for travelling almost anywhere in the world**

AND FOR BEING FUN!

MAC's objectives

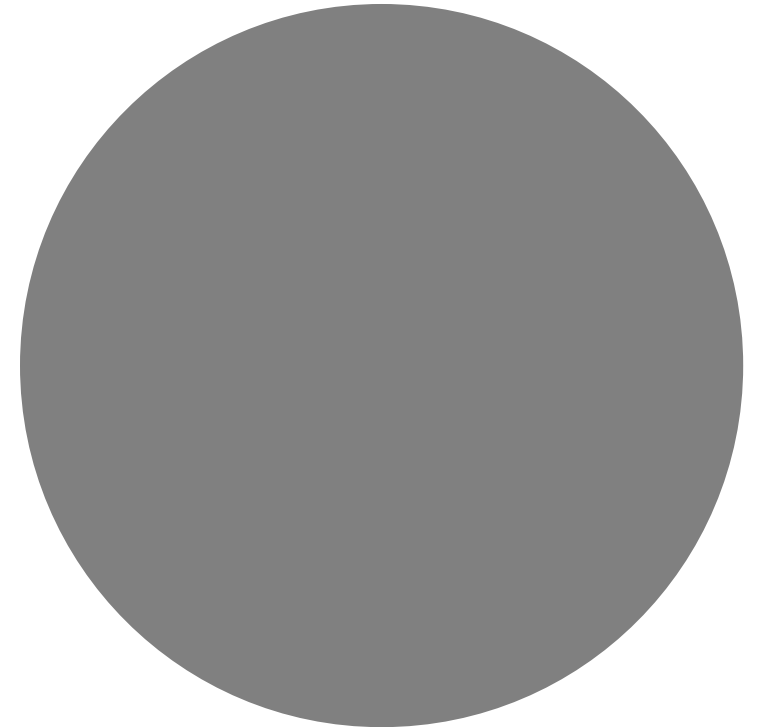


MAC persuaded SDCB, WSCC, CDC and PCs to fund the 2005 Sustrans report on Midhurst's cycling strategy.

Recommendations included:

- **Proposals for making Midhurst a more cycle-friendly town**
- **Midhurst's 20 is plenty campaign**
- **Safe cycling route through Bepton**
- **Link through the Downs to West Dean and on to Centurion Way**
- **Midhurst – Stedham dual walking/cycling route: finished 2015**

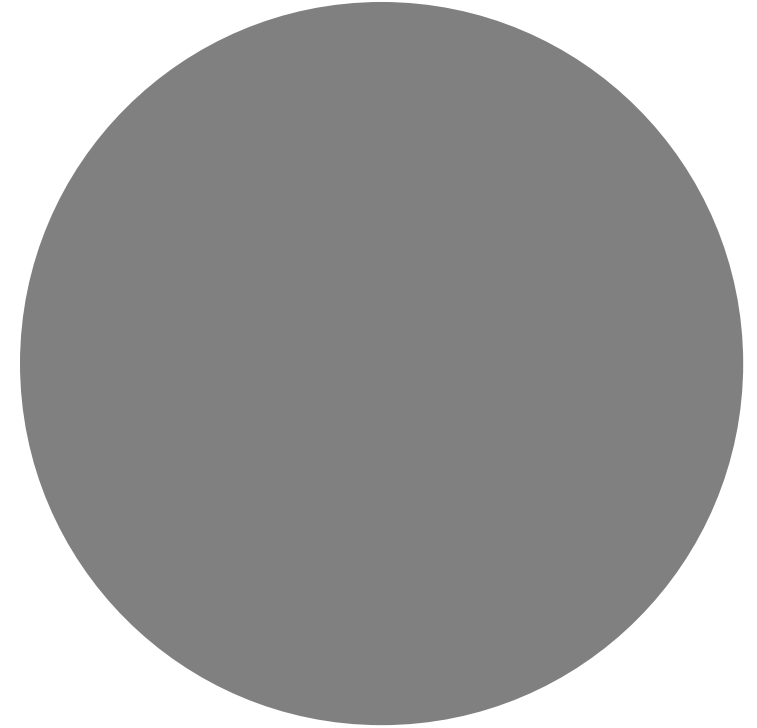
MAC's achievements



We work closely with SDNPA and WSCC

- **Upgrading Stedham/Midhurst dual use path crossing near Half Moon**
- **Supporting Cocking to make A286 path to Midhurst dual purpose**
- **Renovation of Jubilee path south, out to Holmbush industrial estate**
- **New crossing between fire station and Jubilee path north**
- **Expressed desire to WSCC for dual-use on the path from South Pond via Wharf to Ruins (for later extensions to Causeway and Easebourne)**
- **MTC has begun to install some cycle stands around the town**
- **Re-opening the old railway line route between Petersfield and Pulborough – the Rother Valley Greenway - by SDNPA**

MAC's current projects



SO, IS THERE PROGRESS?

DOWNSIDE:

- Whip Hill path from June Lane to Rother College closed off
- WSCC has turned down funding for the Jubilee path south renovation
- SDNPA has no funding identified for Rother Valley Greenway project

UPSIDE:

- MAC is now a member of West Sussex Cycling Forum which has regular meetings with WSCC
- Walking and Cycling Strategy 2016-2026 adopted by WSCC
- SDNPA Walking/Cycling strategy will concentrate on leisure routes

- We know what needs to be done; we just need the political will and the funding to get it done. *Will you please help?*
- The money spent on cycling will give real returns to the community generally, and to our young people in particular.
- Would every Parish please consider sending a representative to our meetings so we can plan and co-ordinate joint lobbying of both WSCC and SDNPA? Meeting at Grange 11 October 7 pm

**IF WE ALL PULL TOGETHER TO SUPPORT MAC'S AIMS, WE
CAN ACHIEVE MUCH, MUCH MORE.**

How you can help

