



Tickner's Heath

April 2026

Overall project :

- New cut to divert the canal around the obstruction of an earth bund which carries Dunsfold Road across the canal route

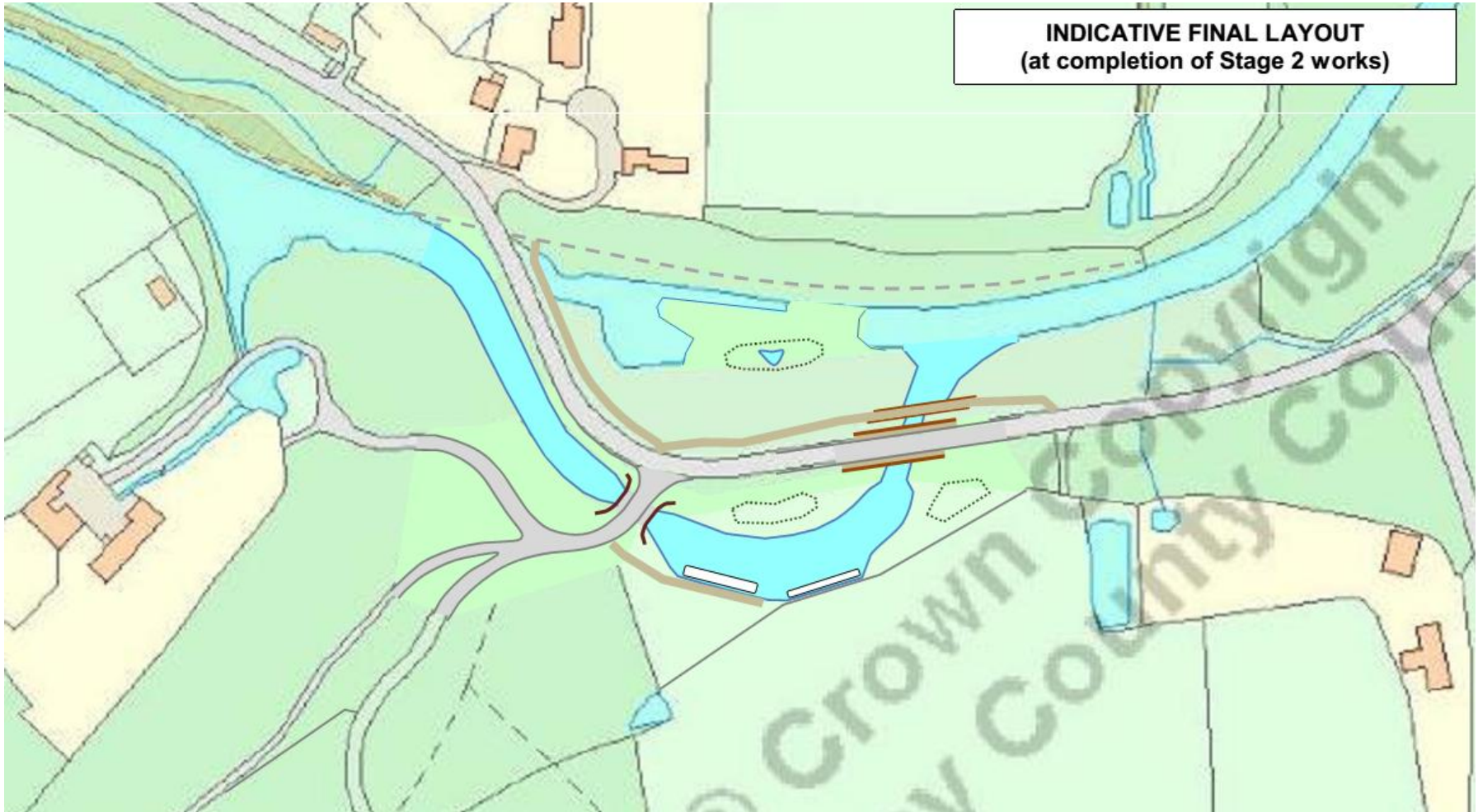
Stage 1 :

- New cut below Dunsfold Road to a new canal basin to the south
- New “non-motorised user” bridge (completed in 2021/22)
- New road bridge to carry Dunsfold Road over the canal route
- Temporary road diversion during bridge construction

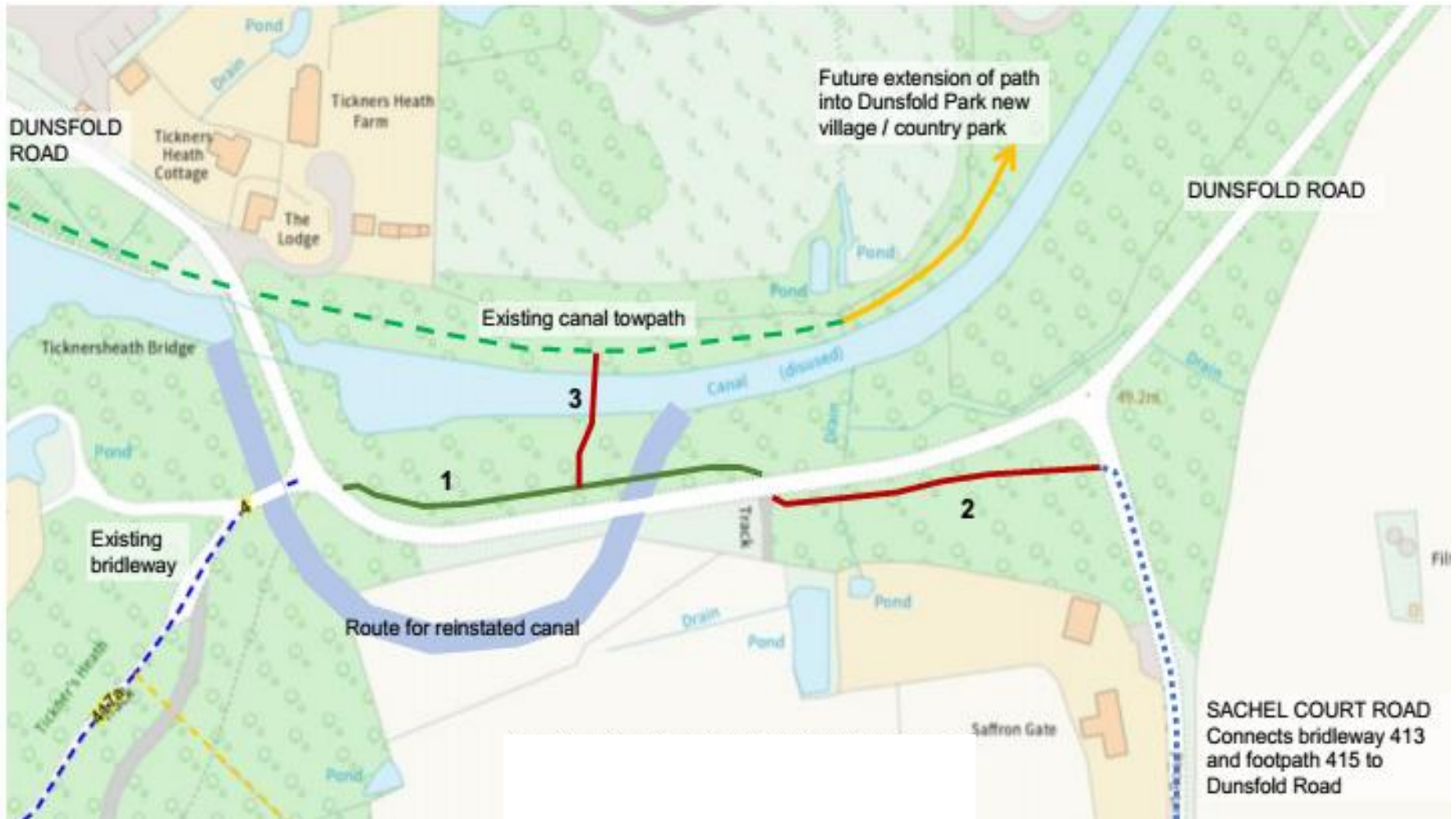
Stage 2 :

- Completion of new cut to link to canal west of Dunsfold Road
- New arch bridge to carry forest track over the new canal route

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Tickner's Heath : Public access



Tickner's Heath : Stage 1

Having completed the new footbridge and 80% of the temporary road, work was paused in 2022 due to:

1. Need to finalise design approvals with Surrey County Council
2. Need to divert a Thames Water main onto the footbridge
3. Need to complete the temporary road diversion

Finally 1 and 2 are **DONE!**

Our volunteers still have work to do to complete the temporary road, but the better weather will now allow that to resume.



Tickner's Heath : Stage 1

Next step is to build the new road bridge

- This is a major piece of construction, on, or next to, a live road
- The completed bridge will be adopted by Surrey
- It is beyond our own capabilities to build this
- A tender for a construction contract is currently being prepared

The construction contract will comprise:

1. Lay the blacktop on the temporary road
2. Open the temporary road to traffic
3. Build the new road bridge (sheet piled abutments and wing-walls, reinforced concrete deck)
4. Lay the new road over the bridge (inc. parapets and kerbs)
5. Open the new road to traffic
6. Remove the blacktop from the temporary road

After that we can dig out the canal below the bridges!

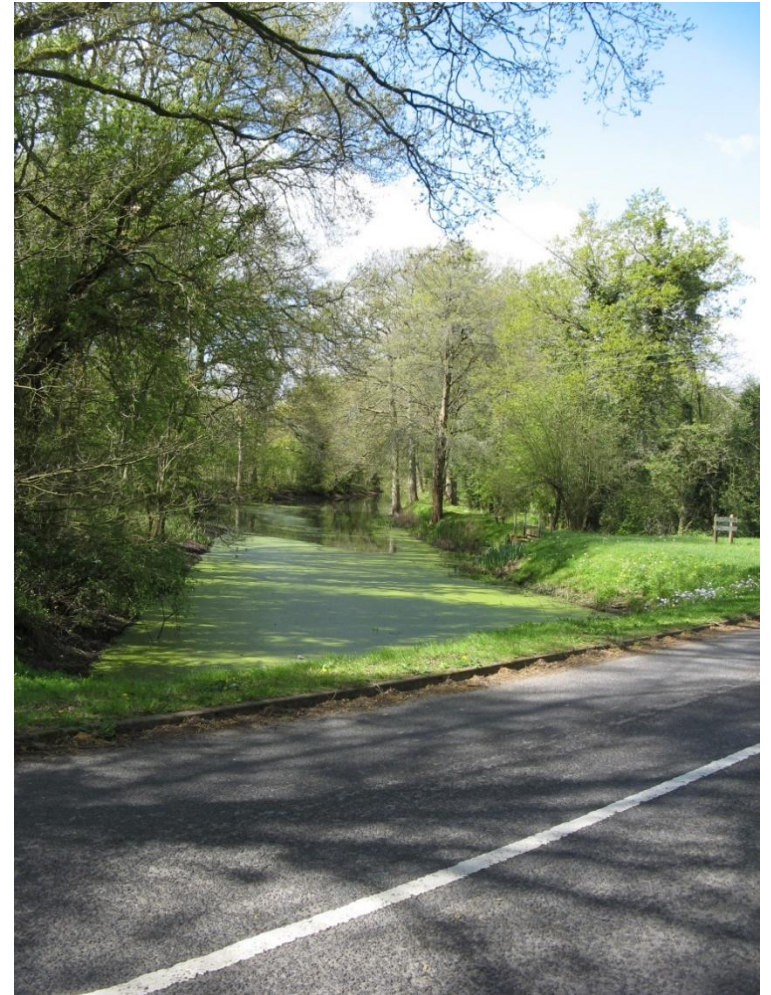
Health & safety:

- The bridge contractor will be the sole occupant of the site – no WACT working parties
- The bridge contractor will be responsible for all traffic management
- The bridge contractor will be offered use of our temporary construction compound

Timeline (provisional):

- Tender invitations - Within the next week or so
- Contract award - June
- Traffic permits, site checks, etc – July
- Start on site – August
- Circa 9 month construction period (TBC)

- Planning application submitted 2022
- Concerns raised about ecology
- Scheme design has been amended to improve bio-diversity and reduce ecological impacts
- Updated surveys, assessments and designs have been submitted
- We await feedback from the planning authority



Any questions?

