



## Press Release

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### **The Gardenway Orbital Park is one step closer**

The Aylesbury Gardenway is one step closer with the awarding of the contract for the development of the parameter design for this key public realm project.

The contract has been awarded to Urban Movement who will now undertake a scoping exercise to identify the route. Encircling Aylesbury, the Gardenway will deliver an 18km long orbital park of fully connected green and blue infrastructure, local parks, woodlands, playgrounds, community gardens, natural areas, waterways, and heritage sites.

The Gardenway will be a distinctive, user-friendly open space dedicated to providing a fully accessible walking, cycling, and wheeling route connecting with routes into the countryside and back into the town centre via the canal, Gemstone cycle routes, footpaths and, brooks. It will be a place to walk, cycle, relax and, connect with your community.

This is the first major transformational project of the Aylesbury Garden Town Masterplan to get underway and will truly transform the way people move in and around Aylesbury. The Gardenway received significant support as part of the public consultation on the Masterplan and communities will be involved right from the start to help us design, construct, and look after the park.

Cllr. Steve Bowles, Aylesbury Garden Town's Board Chairman and Buckinghamshire Council Cabinet Member for Town Centre Regeneration said: "This contract award recognises the strength of Urban Movement's experience to work with communities to co-design and co-create large public realm projects."

"The construction of the Gardenway will take place in stages and will take many years to complete but the conceptual parameter design will give us what we need to identify the different sections and to start working with our local communities so key to seeing the project become a reality."

Christopher Martin, Co-Founder and Director of Urban Strategy at Urban Movement, said:  
“We are excited to have been selected to work on such a transformational project for Aylesbury, and exemplar project to inspire others. Working with local people to create greener and healthier towns has never been so important.”



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