





## Plans to improve our pathways for everyone at Osterley Park and House

Together with Sport England and other generous charitable trusts, we want to improve our circuit of pathways for the benefit of everyone who enjoys and cares for Osterley Park.

Osterley is already a popular place to walk, run, take a stroll with the dog and for children to learn to cycle. By upgrading the surface of our paths and signage we hope to enrich this experience and encourage more local families to get outdoors and active in a safe, traffic-free, green space.

The picturesque parkland, lakes and mansion create an atmosphere which is unique in this busy part of Isleworth and Hounslow. It is especially close to the vision of the National Trust's co-founder Octavia Hill, who fought for a better quality of life in London, through access to green space.

"The need of quiet, the need of air, the need of exercise, and, I believe, the sight of sky and of things growing, seem human needs, common to all..."

Octavia Hill, 1888, 'More Air for London'

## **Welcoming visitors**

- 3.5km of improvements to existing paths and a new 500 metre section, creating a multi-use trail that starts and ends at the main car park. Refreshments and toilets are already en-route
- A new skills area for young families, in a small woodland space, suitable for kids to learn to cycle and gain confidence, creating a new home for our popular Bikeability sessions
- Improvements to the surfaces of existing routes into Osterley Park
- New wayfinding signage
- £356,000 investment at Osterley
- Part of a £4.25 million national joint programme at ten National Trust properties in England, with Sport England and charitable trusts









Isaac Rocke Sports Development Officer at Osterley "Last summer over 100 children learnt to ride for the first time outside our historic house with The Bicycle Society - a cycling group specialising in teaching children how to cycle in a fun and interactive way.

The coaches are always passionate and enthusiastic; bringing an infectious vibe not only to their sessions but to Osterley Park as a whole.

Together we hope to provide lasting skills and memories for children in our local area."

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