Assessment of Risks Applicable to the FWCC Club Run Route Known as 'Alresford'

Overview

This Tab assesses the risks specific to the 'Alresford' FWCC club run route and should be read in conjunction with the generic club run risks Tab
This route is one of the shorter routes and is used generally by the Social groups. To be paired with 'The Candovers' route.

Route Description

This route heads North from Wickham, through Swanmore from where it heads west to Bishops Waltham
From Bishops Waltham the route heads north through the villages of Ashton, Upham and on towards Lane End
The route then traverses a short section of dual carriageway and continues north to Ovington
From Ovington the route skirts along rural roads around the top end of New Alresford. Coffee stop at Josies, New Alresford.
From Alresford the route heads due south to Cheriton, New Cheriton, Kilmston then on to Beacon Hill.
From Beacon Hill the route continues south through Upper Swanmore, Swanmore before finishing at Wickham.

Route Statistics	
Distance	36 miles
Height gained	2078
Maximum gradient	8%

Risk Assessment

ID	Description of Hazard	Location	Distance into route	Level of Risk	Mitigation	Action
1	Descent on narrow road without kerbs	Newmans Hill	1 mile	Low	Riders to be vigilant as kerb edges have deep rough sides, particuolarly when passing oncoming traffic	All Riders
2	Steep Ascent with Bollards to navigate.	North of Bishops Waltham	5.6 miles	Medium	If practical, the ride leader should give verbal warning before the start of the climb. Riders to be vigilant and stay in single file. Cars may be travelling in the opposite direction quickly downhill.	Ride Leader; All Riders
3	Busy Main Road	A272	12.3 miles	Medium	The route follows the A272 for a short distance and crosses over the road at the brow of a hill. Ride leader to warn riders to be vigilant and stay in a single file.	Ride Leader; All Riders
4	Busy Dual Carriageway	A31 Alresford Road	15.1 miles	Medium	The route crosses a fast dual carriageway that requires careful attention by all riders. The ride leader to warn riders before crossing both lanes	Ride Leader; All Riders
5	Bends in the road	Ovington	16.1 miles	Low	A right then left bend are slightly sharper than might be anticipated.	All Riders
6	Busy Main Road	A272 at Cheriton	24.5 miles	Low	Rides to be vigilant when crossing the road which may have fast moving traffic	All Riders
7	Steep Descent	Descent of Beacon Hill	28 miles	Low	Riders to ride at a speed they are comfortable with	All Riders
8	Very sharp, blind left turn	Descent towards Upper Swanmore	31.4 miles	Medium	If practical, the ride leader should give verbal warning to slow down before reaching the very sharp left hand turn. Riders to be vigilant and stay in single file.	Ride Leader; All Riders