Assessment of Risks Applicable to the FWCC Club Run Route Known as 'High Cross Reverse'

Overview

This Tab assesses the risks specific to this club run route and should be read in conjunction with the generic club run risks Tab
This route is one of the longer routes and is used generally by the Fast and Intermediate groups.

Route Description

This route heads North East from Wickham, through Soberton and climbs Old Winchester Hill. From the ridge of Old Winchester Hill the route goes staight down the other side passing Meon Springs and to a T junction on the road between West and East Meon. The route turns right, passes through East Meon and shortly afterwards turns left through very narrow lanes to High Cross and the top of Stoners Hill. Stoners Hill is descended and then on to Pertersfield and Buriton. The minor road behind QE Park is followed to Finchdean where the route doubles back to Chalton, crosses over the A3 and to Hambledon via Clanfield.
Groups normally stop in Hambledon for coffee before returning to Wickham via North Boarhunt.

Route Statistics

Distance	47 miles
Height gained	2,600 feet
Maximum gradient	13.0%

Risk Assessment

ID	Description of Hazard	Location	Distance into route	Level of Risk	Mitigation	Action
1	Steep descent on minor road, possible gravel and potholes	Off the ridge of Old Winchester Hill	9 miles	Medium	Riders should limit their speed and warn others of hazards ahead	All riders
2	Steep descent on minor road, possible gravel and potholes	Approaching the West to East Meon road	11.5 miles	Medium	Riders should limit their speed and warn others of hazards ahead	All riders
3	Very minor roads with gravel, potholes and tight bends	High Cross	15 to 19 miles	Medium	Riders should reduce speed where required and ride single file when approaching 'blind' corners or where to route ahead is not clear	All riders
4	Descent to and crossing of main road	A272 crossing near Bordean	16 miles	Medium	Lead riders to warn others and all riders to take care	All riders
5	Steep, bendy main road descent	Stoners Hill	19.5 miles	Low	Riders should not allow speed to build up too much	All riders
6	Minor road that is hilly, narrow and ofen has gravel and potholes	QE Country Park	25 to 28 miles	Medium	Riders should reduce speed where required and ride single file when approaching 'blind' corners or where to route ahead is not clear	All riders