

APPENDIX B – PRIORITY SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS

PHASE I

1. **Lower County Road** – Most heavily traveled residential sidewalk in Town; is in bad state of repair; lacks continuous route on one side of busy road with fast traffic. Section between Brooks and Pleasant Roads completed.
2. **Route 28** – Increased foot traffic along segments of narrow highway which lack any sidewalks or even safe walking room (between Wychmere and Saquatucket Harbors); heavy use of Harwich Port sidewalks warrants renovation for safety and business are vitality; safe accommodation of Saquatucket Marina/Nantucket Ferry pedestrians in busy area.
3. **Route 137** – Rapid growth of both housing and commercial activity in East Harwich has many pedestrians of all ages at risk; sidewalks would make foot travel safer and help reduce vehicle trips through 39/137 intersection area. February STM voted to approve engineering for sidewalks from the Brewster town line to the Chatham town line.
4. **Bank Street (Harwich Port to Harwich Center)** – One of the Town’s better sidewalks is main pedestrian connector between Harwich Port and Harwich Center and is heavily used; an especially dangerous segment exists where the sidewalk and roadway mingle at the same grade level on the inside of a curve. Minor repairs are needed to the existing sidewalk.
5. **Bank Street (Route 28 to Beach)** – Heavy foot traffic, including many small children, creates a high safety risk to pedestrians on this narrow, winding road with poor visibility around curves.
6. **Uncle Venie’s Road** – This road carries significant volumes of foot traffic to and from the beach. There are many curving sections which make pedestrians vulnerable even to traffic observing the speed limit. There is a high volume of vehicular traffic which heightens the need.

PHASE II

1. **Route 28 (West Harwich)** – Renovate existing sidewalks and add new segments to make continuous sidewalks on both sides of the highway. Sidewalks are in poor condition and require crossing Route 28 for continuous travel on foot.
2. **Route 28 (Harwich Port)** – Extend from Doane Way to meet segment from West Harwich. Need to connect Harwich Port and West Harwich systems for greater pedestrian mobility and safety.
3. **Route 28 (South Harwich)** – Extend new sidewalk from east end of Harwich Port to Chatham.
4. **Sisson Road (Gilbert Lane to Route 28)** – Repair and extend to new sidewalks on Route 28. Existing sidewalk in poor condition; continuation of new sidewalk investment.
5. **Depot Road (South Harwich)** – New sidewalk to make segment between Route 28 and new bike trail section.
6. **Route 124** – New segment from Rose Way where existing sidewalk ends to bike trail at Pleasant Lake Store. Repair existing segment where needed; provides for safe walking linkage between Pleasant Lake/Tech School and Harwich Center; large residential population to be served; segment crossing Route 6 may be substituted by existing bike trail segments over new bridge.

7. **Bay Road** – Church Street to Pleasant Bay Beach needs sidewalks due to narrow, winding nature of Bay Road and the many beach-using pedestrians who are vulnerable around the blind curves.
8. **Forest Street** – Sisson Road to South Street – needs new sidewalk to provide for safe pedestrian travel on narrow, fast-moving road. This segment is very scenic and attracts many pedestrians (walkers, joggers, parents with strollers).

PHASE III

1. **Route 39** – New sidewalks between the round-a-bout at Queen Anne Road to Tody Bole Lane in Harwich Center would expand the safe walking linkage now found between Queen Anne Road and East Harwich; foot traffic along this segment is growing, especially to and from the East Harwich commercial area; segment from Queen Anne Road to Glenwood Drive are particularly dangerous due to high speed traffic and winding, narrow and hilly conditions.
2. **Headwaters Drive** – New sidewalk from Route 124 to “the rock” at Azalea Drive; would provide safe walking link from densely populated area to the bike trail and sidewalk network.
3. **Queen Anne Road** – New sidewalk from Route 137 to bike trail; would provide linkage from Pleasant Lake to East Harwich; would serve established and recent growth representing a substantial portion of the Town’s population; segment from Route 124 to bike trail is especially dangerous to pedestrians due to fast-moving truck traffic on narrow, winding road (Right-of-Way acquisition will likely be needed here).
4. **Route 137** – Extension of new sidewalk from Cemetery Road to Queen Anne Road is planned for FY11; would complete a walking loop through a heavily traveled area.
5. **Oak Street** – New sidewalk segment between Queen Anne Road and Pine Oaks Village; would provide safe walking linkage to High School; Community Center and complete a nice walking loop.
6. **Julien Road/Old Wharf Road** – New sidewalk from Route 28 to Red River Beach; would carry beach-related foot traffic more safely over heavily traveled, narrow, curvy road.
7. **Depot Road West** – New sidewalk from Route 28 to bike trail; would collect and carry foot traffic between these destinations along narrow, winding, and populous road segments.
8. **Depot Street (North Harwich)** – Extend new sidewalk from end of existing segment north to Juniper Lane and south to bike trail; would provide safer walking route along a busy, narrow road for residents of this established area.
9. **South Street – Sisson Road to Route 28** – New and renovated sidewalk – important connector between Forest Street and Route 28.

In addition to these priorities, the following segments have been identified:

- a. South Street (Harwich Center) – between Sisson Road and Main Street – Needs minor repairs.
- b. Main Street (Harwich Center) – South Street to Oak Street – Renovation needed
- c. Main Street (Harwich Center) – between Library and Tody Bole Lane – Needs to be upgraded