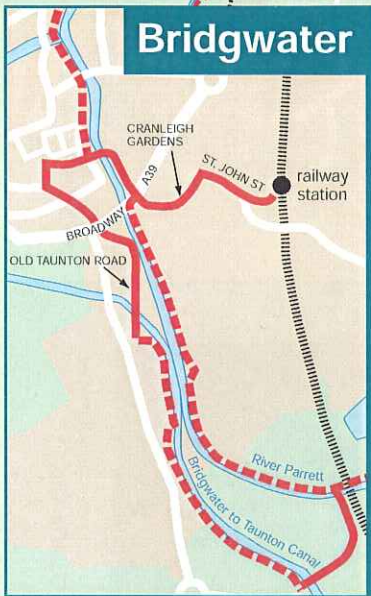


Chard to Iminster and Bridgwater

The **Wessex Way** is a coast to coast cycle route planned from Weston-super-Mare to Seaton and Lyme Regis. The Chard and Bridgwater section was opened on 19 September 2003. The route follows the purpose built railway path between Chard and Iminster, the South Somerset Cycleway on attractive and mostly level minor roads to Langport and thence beside the River Parrett to Bridgwater.

At Langport the route intersects with 4 Pedal the Levels routes, details of which can be found at the cycle hire and visitor centre. The development of this first section of route construction was funded by South Somerset District Council and co-ordinated by Sustrans.



	traffic-free route
	on-road route
	proposed route
	railway
	busy junction - take care



Bridgwater to Taunton Canal

Sustrans - the sustainable transport charity - works on practical projects to encourage people to walk, cycle and use public transport in order to reduce motor traffic and its adverse effects.

As well as the National Cycle Network, Sustrans is working on Safe Routes to Schools, home zones and other practical responses to the transport and environmental challenges we face. Sustrans' work relies on the generous donations and monthly standing orders of nearly 40,000 Supporters, and the support of charitable trusts, companies, the National Lottery and local authority programmes.



Taunton Stop Line near Chard

Following the evacuation of the Allies from Dunkirk, France, the coast of Devon and Cornwall was considered too long to defend so the stop line was constructed across the West Country. The infrastructure included pillboxes, machine and anti-tank gun emplacements, road and railway blocks. The anti-tank ditch was in-filled but many of the concrete structures remain along the line and are visible from the cycle route.

"Defence of Britain" www.britarch.ac.uk/projects/dob