

**TOWN OF CARRBORO**

NORTH CAROLINA

MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 2, 2005

TO: Bill Webster, Assistant Director of Parks & Recreation
Chapel Hill Parks & Recreation Department

FROM: Anita Jones-McNair, Recreation & Parks Director
Dale McKeel, Transportation Planner

RE: Draft Chapel Hill Greenways Master Plan

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on the draft Chapel Hill Greenways Master Plan. The plan has been reviewed by Town of Carrboro staff in the Planning and Recreation and Parks Departments and the following comments are provided:

1. It is requested that there be continued discussion on the possible extension of the Tanyard Branch Trail into Carrboro. Please also note that the neighborhood adjacent to Chapel Hill's Northside neighborhood is typically referred to in Carrboro as the Lloyd-Broad neighborhood.
2. The plan shows an extension of the Fan Branch Trail as a natural surface trail between Southern Village and Smith Level Road. With the construction of CHCCS High School # 3 in this area, it is requested that consideration be given to (1) designating this trail as a Class 6 paved trail to provide a facility for bicycles and pedestrians, (2) realigning the trail to provide a more direct connection to the high school site, and (3) designating that the pedestrian/bicycle crossing on Smith Level Road include a pedestrian refuge island.

Please also note the following: (1) The site plan for the high school includes a 10-foot wide multi-use path between Smith Level Road and the school building; (2) The distance between the school building and the Village Green at Southern Village via this trail route would be approximately 1.25 miles (the more circuitous route along existing roads would be about two miles); (3) The site plan of the high school has limited student parking in anticipation that some students will have opportunities to walk and bike to the campus.

Thank you again for the opportunity to comment. Please let me know if you have questions or need additional information.