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THE RIDGEWAY

NATIONAL TRAIL 

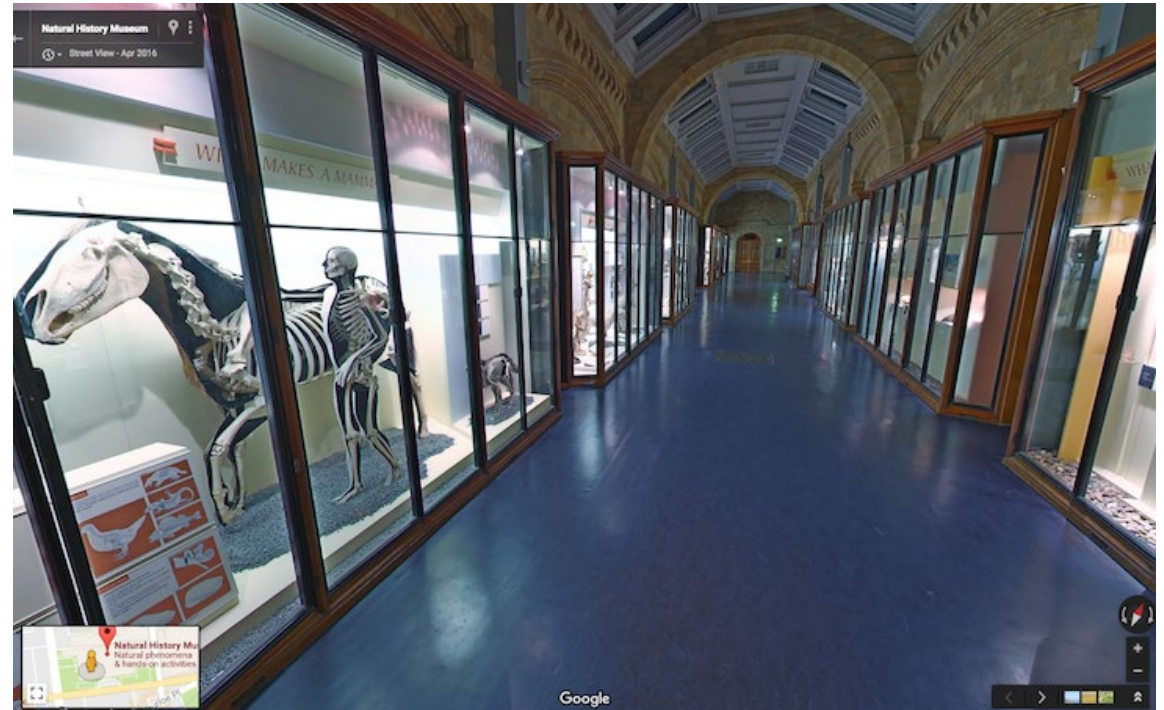
Ridgeway Google Street View Project

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- Of the many challenges faced by people with disabilities accessing the countryside, one of the least well known is lack of confidence caused by not knowing what to expect
- Google Street View is synonymous with **Interactive Panoramic Photography**, 360° images taken from video from specialised cameras mounted on vehicles with a huge range of applications
- Google has allowed third parties to upload their own videos, and this led to innovative applications such as mapping world landmarks and natural wonders, places like museums, arenas, restaurants and small businesses with Street View.



Natural History Museum on Google Streetview

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- Disabled Ramblers have been awarded National Lottery funding for two GoPro Max 360° cameras for the purposes of photographing the entire Ridgeway National Trail from Avebury to Ivinghoe Beacon
- Gavin intends to survey the Eastern half - Ivinghoe to the River Thames
- Paula Brunt will survey the Western half.



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- The Ridgeway National Trail Project Officer Sarah Wright has suggested a number of priority sections which we will attempt to complete in time for the 50th Anniversary.
- These include:
 - Whiteleaf Car Park to top of Whiteleaf Hill
 - Trail from top of Coombe Hill down through Goodmerhill Wood to Buckmoorend farm shop
 - Coombe Hill to Low scrubs National Trust Car Park
 - Wendover to Coombe Hill
 - Pitstone to Ivinghoe Beacon



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- Should this project be successful it could be replicated for many different applications, such as the Aylesbury Gardenway or the Greenway network of cycleways.
- The video is processed by Google, who obscure faces and number plates etc. Individuals or property owners have a right to request Google remove sections that affect them.
- Trial section of Google Streetview in Rowsham, Buckinghamshire
- <https://goo.gl/maps/wkK2JRRY7wxRx7gX6>



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- Feedback and Questions?

