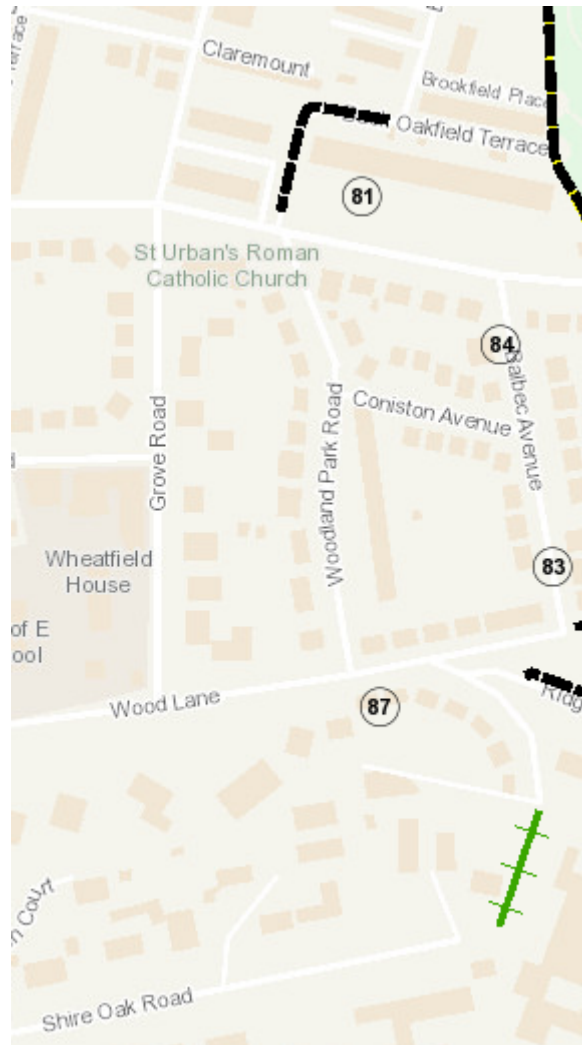


The Oak ginnels



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02 The ginnel part of **Shire Oak Road** is the un-made section which links the main southern part of the Road with the shorter northern part; it's just some 65 metres (70 yards) long.

Shire Oak Road was designated about 1875, running east through fields from the Shire Oak on Otley Road, past Headingley Hall, for half a kilometre (a third of a mile), until it met a field wall, which was the boundary of the lands acquired by the Earl of Cardigan in the seventeenth century (the field beyond was later a football ground, and is now occupied by Mount St Joseph's). The track then turned north, beside the wall, before curving back west to join Wood Lane. Only the main road was developed, as far as the field wall, in the nineteenth century. The turn north was apparently deemed too steep for development, and became a ginnel when the old field wall on the east was matched on the west by the wall of the last pair of houses on the street (now nos 35-37) built about 1890. About 1930, semi-detached houses were built along the curve to Wood Lane.

The ginnel is currently designated a Non-Definitive Bridleway.

13 The **Oakfield** ginnel links Grove Lane and the back of Oakfield Terrace; it's 50 metres (55 yards) long.

The ginnel was made along with Oakfield Terrace, built by a building club 1874-77; steps at the north end of the ginnel now lead to Back Grove Gardens.

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