



Leckhampton with Warden Hill Parish Council

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Have your say on new Gloucester to Cheltenham cycleway designs

We welcome the investment in cycling as a sustainable low pollution means of transport with public health benefits. However we are surprised that the consultation is proceeding if, as has been reported in the press, the DfT has indicated to Gloucestershire County Council that the current proposed designs do not "meet current best practice" and that the plans should be reviewed as they "do not adequately address the issue of motor vehicle dominance". The design of the proposed cycle route as published contains a number of undesirable and unsafe elements e.g. inappropriate use of shared cycle and pedestrian ways and difficulties at side roads.

More significantly, we are unconvinced by the priority for investment being a cycle route between Gloucester and Cheltenham and believe that investment would instead be of greater benefit within the towns themselves to support safer, short journeys. We note the informed and comprehensive response to the survey provided by the Cheltenham & Tewkesbury Cycling Campaign (C&TCC) which we endorse. Like them, we do not support the scheme as currently published.

Related links:

- [Consultation](#)
- [BBC Report on DfT position](#)
- [Cheltenham and Tewkesbury Cycling Campaign response](#)
- [HMG Cycle infrastructure design guidance](#)

Cllr Penny Henty - Chairman

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