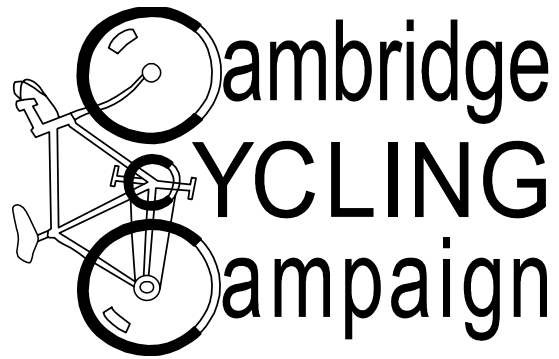


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Dear Mr Preston,

Newmarket Road Bus Lane – Coldham’s Lane to Abbey Street

We understand that Newmarket Road is to be widened westbound between Coldham’s Lane and Abbey Street to allow a bus lane to be constructed, using land provided by the developers of the Harvest Way site.

We have not seen any details of what is planned and there does not appear to have been any public consultation. We do not know when the lane is expected to be constructed.

Could you please let us know what is planned here, whether there are any drawings we could see and whether there will be any consultation on the detailed design?

This section of road currently has a mandatory cycle lane and we are concerned that the bus lane is wide enough to allow a cycle lane to be retained within the bus lane. We would also like this cycle lane to continue past the point at which the bus lane ends (and the road narrows back to two lanes) and join the existing cycle lane which continues to the East Road roundabout.

We also understand that the pelican crossing by Abbey Street is to be reconstructed as part of this scheme and converted to a toucan. Can you again please tell us what is planned here, and whether we will have the opportunity to be consulted on the detailed design?

Yours sincerely,
on behalf of Cambridge Cycling Campaign,

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