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Dear Ellen,

Cycle Parking in Fisher Square

It has been brought to our attention that all the cycle parking in Fisher Square (near the Central Library) is to be removed for the next 15 months. There is apparently no specified alternate provision for these bikes, nor are we aware of any Official Order having announced this change.

This is an area of very heavy demand for secure cycle parking. The loss of this essential facility will make it even harder for cyclists to find a secure place to park their bikes in the city centre. The result will inevitably be more cycle theft and more bikes chained all over the place.

This move is especially problematic given the loss of spaces outside what used to be Bradwell's Court. Thus, in total, there is barely any cycle parking in what is historically the area of the city with the very highest demand.

We ask the City Council in collaboration with the Contractor and the Police to arrange temporary cycle parking for the duration of these works. We suggest 50 spaces of on-street cycle parking in Guildhall Street or in some alternative location as close as possible to Fisher Square.

Yours sincerely,
on behalf of Cambridge Cycling Campaign,

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Copies to: Officers Clare Rankin and David Bradford, City Council, Patrick Joyce, County Council and Councillors: Gaynor Griffiths, Colin Rosenstiel, Mike Dixon, Joye Rosenstiel, Sian Reid