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Press release – Cambridge falling behind in cycling

While cycling is making the news elsewhere in the UK, with greatly increased cycling in some cities, Cambridge cyclists continue to get a raw deal, suffering one of the lowest rates of investment. One in four Cambridge commuters cycle, yet for every £100 spent on transport in Cambridgeshire, less than 50p is spent on cycling.



New infrastructure for cyclists in Cambridge continues to be built without regard to any accepted standards for construction and without regard to how it will be used.

Recent news items have shown how the standard of new facilities along King's Hedges Road is such that cyclists are presented with dangerously narrow gaps both on and off the road (see photo to the left).

Investment in good quality cycling provision will lead to a more healthy population causing less environmental damage as they travel around. It will also reduce congestion for those who continue to drive.

With Bike Week just next week, Cambridge Cycling Campaign calls on Cambridgeshire County Council to adopt London's Cycling design guidelines and increase investment in cycling to be proportionate to the number of cyclists.

Cambridgeshire has much the highest levels of cycling in the UK and should take the lead over good design and funding provision for cycling.

Yours sincerely,

on behalf of Cambridge Cycling Campaign,

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