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Subject: Fw: Electronic Consultation for Arno Vale Link - Cycle path and shared use footway. Land between Mapperley Plains and Gedling Road, Arnold, NottinghamFR3/3921

FAO David Marsh

Dear David,

I am sending in a response to this consultation on behalf of Pedals (Nottingham Cycle Campaign group). The plans look good in terms of width of path, lighting and signage. Nick Hynes and I have both visited the site and compiled some suggestions for improvement.

1. The section just below Wembley Road (down to the end of Wilson Close) is very steep - from the plans and contours it is 1 in 6, which is too steep for many cyclists. I think there are two ways around this - I think the best option is to take make a bend in the path so that it comes out on Wembley Road (see attached) ; alternatively, the path could be raised up on a slight embankment before it downhill of the end of Wilson close so that the gradient is more even along the stretch from Cohen close to Wembley Road.
2. The other issue is where the path comes out onto the Gedling Road/Arno Vale junction. Many of the path users are likely to want to access Arnot Hill School. If they cross on the new Toucan, they will have to cross back again after only a few meters. It would be better to provide a shared path on the east side of Gedling Road. There is a very narrow piece of pavement outside 323 Gedling Road, constricted further by school warning signposts. One solution would be to increase the pavement width so that the traffic is constricted to one lane until close to the junction with Ramsay Drive.
3. There may need to be some improvements where it comes out onto Mapperley Plains, though we recognize that this will depend in future on the layout of the new road junction with Gedling Access Road.

We hope that these suggestions can be incorporated into the design.

Best Regards
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