

Objections and Recommendations for Babraham Road Cycleway.

<http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/transport/projects/south/Babraham+Park+and+Ride+to+Wandlebury+cycle+route.htm>

Comments etc. are listed starting from the Park and Ride Site Entrance

1. Details are needed of the interface with the existing Cycleway at the Park and Ride Exit. Is the cycleway marked across the exit?
2. Dropped Kerbs will be needed before the Gogs Roundabout as cyclists may prefer to use the on road option. Existing dropped Kerbs may prove adequate but need checking.
3. Approach to crossing point on Cherry Hinton Road is unsatisfactory as it is a Right Angle Approach so cyclists can't observe traffic coming from behind. Cyclists will have to stop and those going North will have to slow down to make the turn. We understand the problem is the lack of space due to a private garden at this point.
4. A dropped Kerb is needed just south of the Gogs Roundabout to enable cyclists using the Roundabout to rejoin the cycleway.
5. The entrance to the Farm Shop is an accepted problem. The route away from the A1307 with serpentine approach is the best we can expect.
6. We expect potential problems with car sales beside the road.
7. The entrance to the Lodge may present a problem due to being very close to the A1307.
8. The entrance to Wandlebury Park needs further consideration. Firstly to allow cyclists a point to join the park entrance road and secondly to cross the entrance to rejoin the A1307 or a future cycleway.
9. We consider the 2.5M width generally to be provided as being inadequate. This is the minimum as specified by DfT 02/08. We point out there are two factors that influence this width. Firstly this is a potential commuter route when the next phase of the path is constructed to Babraham and the secondly that the section from Wandlebury to the Gogs Roundabout is downhill and DfT 02/08 8.5.1 recommends increased width on hills. We understand that English Nature Conservancy? has objected to anything above 2.5M as it is ancient chalk land.

I invite comments which I will attempt to co-ordinate for submission to Cambs C.C. Users are welcome to make their own comments direct to the Council see their web site for details.

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