

## **FoBRA Response to Proposed Cycle Lane Changes in London Road**

Dear Tony,

I should like to express FOBRA's concern about the proposals for London Road contained in Executive Forward Plan Reference E2820. We believe that the proposals are inconsistent with the Bath Transport Strategy, particularly:

Overarching Policy GABP1: That a strong emphasis should be given to reducing the impact of vehicles by supporting trips that are made by means other than car, particularly walking and cycling with more people using improved bus and rail networks.

Policy GABP4: That cycling be promoted through better cycling routes with appropriate infrastructure where needed, building a cycling culture for people of all abilities.

We would like to see proper provision for safe cycling in London Road. FOBRA urges you to agree to:

- The retention of the cycle lane as a designated cycle path.
- No parking allowed in the bays in the morning and evening peak traffic hours.
- Removal of pedestrian side clutter that forces people to walk into the path of cyclists.
- Clearer demarcation of the cycle path and the footpath.

One particular problem in recent months has been the Council's failure to put up loading restriction notices in the two loading bays thus allowing 24 hour unrestricted parking since June, to detriment of both traders and residents as well as cyclists.

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