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Dear Sir/Madam,

Thorpe St Andrew: St Williams Way and Thunder Lane area consultation

Norfolk County Council would like your comments on Transport for Norwich (TfN) proposals for the area around St Williams Way, Thunder Lane and Laundry Lane.

This project aims to improve the local cycle route known as the green pedalway, whilst improving general access and safety for cyclists, pedestrians and motorists alike.

Please refer to the plans enclosed, which show the proposed project details.

We are consulting on proposals to:

- Make changes to the Thunder Lane/St Williams Way signalised junction which includes the removal of the central islands and the segregated left turn lane into Thunder Lane.
- Change the existing advisory cycle lane to a new 1.8-metre-wide mandatory cycle lane* with separator islands, from 80 metres west of Thor Loke to Laundry Lane (including the Laundry Lane Slip Road), to provide a safer environment for cyclists.
- Provide new 75mm high raised tables in the junctions of Thor Loke and Thorpe Avenue
- Provide a new pedestrian island west of Thor Loke to aid pedestrians crossing St Williams Way.
- Widen the existing pedestrian island west of the Laundry Lane junction.
- Widen the existing southern pavement on the Ring Road between Laundry Lane and Thorpe Avenue.
- Provide 'At any time' waiting restrictions (double yellow lines) along the lengths of the proposed mandatory cycle lanes on St Williams Way from approx. 80m west of Thor Loke to around the Laundry Lane junction and on the north side of the Laundry Lane slip road.
- Provide a small shared use cycling area covering the central island adjacent to Laundry Lane.

* Note that whereas advisory cycle lanes are spaces on the carriageway for cyclists and occasional use by vehicles, mandatory cycle lanes are dedicated lanes solely for use by cyclists, and vehicles must not enter them.

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The scheme is being funded with money awarded from the Department for Transport's Transforming Cities fund.

To implement the proposed changes, new Traffic Regulation Orders and notices will be needed in relation to the proposed double yellow lines, shared use cycling area, raised tables and the relocated signalised pedestrian crossings. These will be advertised during the consultation period. Further details and updates will be available on our website at **www.norfolk.gov.uk/stwilliams**

Background

These proposed changes are part of the Norwich Area Transportation Strategy (NATS), known as Transport for Norwich. The principles of the project were agreed following consultation as part of the NATS Implementation Plan, which was adopted in 2010 and updated in 2013. Please visit www.norfolk.gov.uk/tfn for more details.

How to comment

There are a number of ways to send your feedback to us, either by emailing **transportfornorwich@norfolk.gov.uk**, calling 0344 800 8020 or writing to:

St Williams Way Area Consultation
Transport for Norwich – floor 2
Norfolk County Council
County Hall
Martineau Lane
Norwich, NR1 2DH

The deadline for comments is **Friday 10th January 2020** and it is hoped construction work will begin sometime in February subject to approval.

Yours faithfully,



Jonathan Taylor (Project Engineer, Infrastructure Delivery Team)