



Fwd: Thanington and Canterbury Cycle and Pedestrian Connection

Alison Hargreaves [redacted]

26 October 2022 at 15:36

To: Michael Bailey [redacted]

Hi Mike

See below.

Best wishes

Alison Hargreaves

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From: **Ben Fitter-Harding** [redacted]

Date: Tue, 25 Oct 2022 at 18:41

Subject: Fwd: Thanington and Canterbury Cycle and Pedestrian Connection

To: Alison Hargreaves [redacted]

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From: **Luke Besant** [redacted]

Date: Tue, 25 Oct 2022 at 17:45

Subject: Thanington and Canterbury Cycle and Pedestrian Connection

To: [redacted]

Good afternoon,

I am a resident of Canterbury City Center.

I would like to make a suggestion in regards to the infrastructural improvement of the area to help reduce car dependency in the city; elevating traffic congestion and helping the environment.

In recent years, we've seen several new housing developments and proposed housing developments in the area.

I am in strong support of this idea.

As a runner, I appreciate Canterbury as a highly walkable and accessible city.

I think this is one of the most fundamentally important parts of what makes Canterbury a fantastic city to live in - and the key reason I don't own a car.

However, I believe the new developments in Thanington are built in an anti-social and inaccessible manner.

They are siloed off by only one* entry and exit by foot and cycle - the A28/ A2 car and pedestrian overpass.

**Four if you're willing to add miles to your journey.*

I want our new neighbours to feel a welcome part of our community and within true safe walking distance of the city centre, schools, hospital, pubs, shops, and other amenities.

I believe this problem has an easy solution: 2 new pedestrian and cycleways under/over the A2.

The first should run from Cocking Road to the Homersham Road as an extension to the existing footpath to the city centre.

The second should see the widening of the existing Birch Road underpass as a cycle path to join the Hollowmead Cycle Path (via Hollow Lane and Birch Road.)

I hope you'll take these suggestions into serious consideration as part of the plan to reduce car dependency in Canterbury.

I've provided an image as a reference for location in the attachments to this email.

Kind regards,

Luke Besant

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Ben Fitter-Harding

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