

A45 Stivichall Interchange

Walking, Cycling and Horse-Riding Assessment

Stakeholder Questionnaire

Organisation:

Cycling UK - Coventry

What issues are currently experienced by Walkers, cyclists and horse-riders on or in the vicinity of the A45 Stivichall Interchange:**Surfaces**

- Up-stands on the bridges. 4cm on one, 6cm on the other.
- Tree roots pushing through

Widths

All paths are below the three metre standard for shared pedestrian/cyclist use. Especially the path between Howes Lane and the southern footbridge which is only about 120cm wide.

Obstruction

The chicane at the south west end of the southern footbridge needs to be altered or removed to allow passage of tricycles and mobility scooters. Otherwise Highways England will not comply with its Public Sector Equality Duty (Note), as the chicane prevents people with mobility impairments from using the cyclist/pedestrian facility.

Perhaps the chicane was installed due to some notion that cyclists shooting up (!) the gradient might overshoot the brow and fall down the steps. Motorists often forget to take their foot off the accelerator at the top of a hill, but cyclists are always ready to ease off (or even stop) pedalling when it's no longer necessary.

Note on Public Sector Equality Duty. See Equalities Act 2010 part 11 chapter 1. Public authorities are required to "advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it".

Are there any additional facilities or measures you would like to see in this location:

Upgrading of the path from Howes Lane to shared cyclist/pedestrian use and the addition of a dropped kerb on Howes Lane. This should be positioned to minimise the distance over which pedestrians & cyclists share the same area and to minimise issues with motor traffic going to or coming from A45 or Mill Hill.

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Please return the completed questionnaire to Arwel.P.Jones@kier.co.uk before 28 March 2018.