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Subject: Cyclist casualties

Hi Jean

In response to your recent correspondence with Sam and Lou, we have carried out some research into the rise of cyclist casualties in 2010. It is hard to pin point why this increase has happened however this may be partly attributable to a large rise in cycling levels last year. Our traffic surveys showed that cycling numbers within Camden increased by 67% in 2010 from 2009. This is obviously excellent news, however it does highlight the need to increase efforts to ensure our roads are safe for all cyclists.

Summary

The vast majority of the increase has been in slights (45%) whereas KSI's only increased by 1 incident (5%).

Cyclist	2009	%change	2010	%change
Total casualties	167	0	234	40
KSI	22	-0.05	23	5

Below is a summary of the worst links and junctions in terms of cyclist casualty increases. Many of the borough roads will be addressed through LIP funded schemes over the next three years.

Links:

DESCRIPTION	HWY AUTHORITY	TOTAL CYCLIST CAS 2009	TOTAL CYCLIST CAS 2010	% CHANGE
FARRINGDON ROAD	TLRN	0	3	300.00%
SOUTHAMPTON ROAD-MALDEN RD	BOR	1	4	300.00%
CAMDEN ST	TLRN	0	3	300.00%
ST PANCRAS WAY	BOR	0	3	300.00%
PENTONVILLE ROAD	TLRN	0	2	200.00%
OAKLEY SQUARE EAST SIDE	TLRN	0	2	200.00%
GOODGE STREET	BOR	0	2	200.00%
BERNARD STREET	BOR	0	2	200.00%
HAVERSTOCK HILL	BOR	0	2	200.00%
ADELAIDE ROAD	BOR	0	2	200.00%
KENTISH TWN RD(CAMDEN ST- CAMDEN HIGH ST)	BOR	0	2	200.00%
PARKWAY	BOR	0	2	200.00%
DELANCEY STREET	BOR	0	2	200.00%
GRAYS INN ROAD	BOR	0	2	200.00%
CAMDEN ROAD	TLRN	4	11	175.00%
OSSULSTON STREET	BOR	0	1	100.00%

Junctions:

DESCRIPTION	HWY AUTHORITY	TOTAL CYCLIST CAS 2009	TOTAL CYCLIST CAS 2010	% CHANGE
NEW OXFORD STREET/ BLOOMSBURY WAY	BOR	0	4	400.00%
HAMPSTEAD ROAD/CARDINGTON STREET	TLRN	0	3	300.00%
CALTHORPE STREET/PHOENIX PLACE	BOR	0	3	300.00%
EVERSHOLT STREET/PHOENIX ROAD	BOR	0	2	200.00%
KINGS CROSS ROAD/PENTONVILLE ROAD/BORO BDY	TLRN	1	3	200.00%
AGAR GROVE/YORK WAY/BORO BDY	BOR	0	2	200.00%
GREVILLE STREET/BERNARD STREET	BOR	0	2	200.00%
TOTTENHAM COURT ROAD/ GRAFTON WAY	BOR	0	2	200.00%
KENTISH TOWN ROAD/ROYAL COL- LEGE STREET/CASTLE ROAD	BOR	0	2	200.00%
EUSTON ROAD/JUDD STREET	TLRN	0	2	200.00%
THEOBALDS ROAD/DRAKE STREET	BOR	0	2	200.00%
CHENIES STREET/GOWER STREET	BOR	0	2	200.00%
KINGSWAY/HIGH HOLBORN	BOR	0	2	200.00%
AVENUE ROAD / ACACIA ROAD	BOR	0	1	100.00%
OXFORD ROAD / KILBURN HIGH ROAD	BOR	0	1	100.00%

Conclusion

Camden has successfully reduced the total number of road casualties by 43% over the past ten years. Whilst we are concerned with the rise in slight cyclist casualties last year, the number of cyclists killed or seriously injured did not significantly rise. In the same time period, we have seen cycling flows increase by 67% in 2010 so overall rates of accidents will have decreased.

Camden will continue with a multi disciplinary approach to improve cycling road safety through education and targeting engineering measures in areas where they are most needed. Our existing programme is well targeted to deal with this increase however we will amend our programme in 2012/13 as appropriate.

I hope that this information is of use.

Regards

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