

Camden Cycling Campaign

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To:safetravel@camden.gov.uk; Margarita Tsavdaroglou, Anthony Christofi

Proposed Zebra Crossing / Temporary Parking Relocation – Ferdinand Street NW1

This response to the consultation on the above proposals from Camden Council is from Camden Cycling Campaign, the local borough group of London Cycling Campaign. We represent the interests of cyclists living or working in Camden and aim to expand the opportunities for all to cycle safely in the borough. We have discussed this consultation by email and online (using Cyclescape).

New Zebra crossing outside the Harwood Children's Centre. We infer from the drawing that instead of two lanes of about 4.6m each with a central reservation Camden are proposing a single 6.3m carriageway.

The 3.3m build-out on the west side of Ferdinand Street (bottom of the drawing) projects beyond the existing parking by about a meter, potentially creating a pinch point for southbound cyclists.

The build out on the school side is about 2m wide and pretty much in line with the outside of the parking, except for the part across the entrance to Forge Place which seems an odd layout and again, may create a potential pinch point for northbound cycles.

We therefore ask that on both sides of the road, the outside of the footway should be aligned with the outside of the parked cars.

Traffic calming effect: the consultation says: "Reducing the carriageway width can also have a traffic calming effect". We note that raised crossings are also very effective in calming traffic. In particular, the new raised crossings in Torriano Avenue have had a very effective traffic calming effect. We therefore ask for a raised crossing built to the high standard achieved in Torriano Avenue.

Temporary bus stand for the 27 bus (beside the Denton residential block at the northern end of Ferdinand Street during the Morrisons development) and relocation of the affected parking bays. We have no comments on this proposal.

Please acknowledge receipt of this response. We would be very happy to discuss any aspect of our comments; contact details are below.

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