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Chesterfield Cycle Campaign supports the creation of a joined up network of cycle routes in and around Chesterfield with segregation from vehicles and pedestrians.

Do you support that statement?

Yes

We are interested to hear your reasons.

If cycling is to be encouraged cyclists need to feel safe, dedicated segregated routes will provide that.

Derbyshire County Council has almost completed a cycle route from the south of Dronfield to Tupton & the 5 Pits Trail and have recently consulted about creating an east west route from the Royal Hospital to Brookside.

Please let us know your thoughts about these two routes.

I am not familiar with the Dronfield - Tupton route. The most controversial part of the East West route passes through Walton and West along Chatsworth Road. I believe the alternative route across the fields to Greendale Avenue should have been pursued more vigorously by DCC. It seems to have failed due to DCC putting unreasonable risk on the landowners.

Both of those routes use the 'station link' walking and cycling path south of the railway station. Do you have an idea how many cycle journeys are recorded on that link daily?

Please choose:

Between 75 and 150

Do you agree in principle with reallocation of roadspace to create safe cycling infrastructure?

Not sure

Let us know why

It would depend on the layout, width etc of the roads under consideration.

Do you already, or would you consider using a bicycle for local journeys around Chesterfield? Please let us know reasons why or why not.

I do not cycle and having had a stroke I am not sure if my balance and stamina would suit cycling but I would be willing to try.

Given a climate emergency can cycling play a local transport role?

For short journeys, as an alternative to car trips for the commute or school run cycling can play a role in reducing pollution and greenhouse emissions.

Please let us know if you think any of these would be useful in Chesterfield from the list below:

Bicycle hire at the railway station

Local cargo bike deliveries

Secure bike parking in town centre

Free bike checks and basic repairs

Free cycle maps

All new developments connected to cycle network

Anything else you want tell us?

For the advantage of non cyclists - lights and bells on bikes, hi-viz clothing.
Should helmets be compulsory, especially for children.