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Subject: York Street Interchange Formal Consultation

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Thank you for your response to the consultation on the proposals for the York Street Interchange. Your views have been recorded as part of this process and will contribute to the decision on whether The Department should hold a Public Inquiry into the scheme.

Regards

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To the Divisional Manager,

I would like to respond to the proposed layout of the York Street Interchange. The cycling infrastructure in the current plans is very poor and a missed opportunity. My family lives in North Belfast, within two miles of City Hall. It would suit us all to be able to get into the city centre and home again by bike. This new scheme does nothing to improve my safety, nor that of my children.

I understood that the Minister Danny Kennedy had instigated a policy of including cycling infrastructure in projects. This paint on the road is not sufficient infrastructure, narrow lanes separated by paint from heavy traffic is not sufficient - for me, nor my children. I've read the NI Greenways blog and there seems to be a clear solution to providing sufficient space, without the expense of having to physically widen the bridge. The cycling infrastructure needs to be up to a certain minimum standard before it will convince me and others like me, that it is safe for me and my family to use it. If it is not safe enough, it is a waste of paint.

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