



Dublin Cycling Campaign  
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Dublin 8

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## Submission on Templeville Road Cycle Scheme

### 1.0 Introduction

Dublin Cycling Campaign is a registered charity that advocates for better cycling conditions in Dublin. Our vision for Dublin is a place with a cycle friendly culture, where everyone has a real choice to cycle and is encouraged to experience the joy, convenience, health and environmental benefits of cycling.

### 2.0 General Comments

We welcome the creation of 1.3km of 2m wide segregated cycle tracks along Greentrees Road and Templeville Road, and the continuation of cycle tracks across junctions. However, the low kerb segregation is unlikely to deter motorists from parking in the cycle lane and may need to be augmented.

We welcome the reduction in the traffic lane widths and corner radii, as this will help to slow down traffic and make it safer for cyclists, and crossing pedestrians, and quieter for residents.

We are disappointed that there are no improvements to the Templeville Road / Wainsfort Road roundabout, which is unsafe for even the most confident of cyclists and doesn't provide a safe way for pedestrians to cross. It is likely that students cycling to Templeogue College will continue to use the footpaths rather than risk using the roundabout. The photograph below shows a recent incident involving an adult cyclist.



*Templeville Road - Wainsfort Road Roundabout - 26 March 2022*

## 3.0 Detailed Comments

### Drawing 1

The proposed 2m wide segregated cycle track is very welcome.

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### Drawing 4

The description says there will be 'signalised crossings for pedestrians and cyclists on all arms'. There should be all-green phases for cyclists and pedestrians to allow them to safely cross the junction, and to enable cyclists to make a right turn from Glendown Avenue to Templeville Road or travel west along Templeville Road towards Greentrees Road. Consideration should be given to creation of cycle by-passes to allow uninterrupted left turns from Templeville Road to Glendown Avenue, and Glendown Avenue to Templeville Road.

A Dutch-style or Cyclops style junction would be preferable to the proposed design.

### Drawing 5

The proposed 2m wide segregated cycle track and reduction in corner radii at the junctions and entrances to the college and sports ground is very welcome.

The service station is omitted from the drawings. The cycle track needs to continue across the entrances to the service station.

We suggest that bus stop bypasses for cyclists are created at both bus stops outside Templeogue College.

The segregation of the cycle tracks needs to prevent both parking in the cycle track and on the grass verges. Cars are frequently parked on the verge on both sides of the road outside

Templeogue College and St Marys College RFC putting cyclists in danger of being 'doored' or worse. The photo below was taken on Sunday 3 April around 11am.



*Templeville Road, near St Marys College RFC*

The wait time for pedestrians at the crossing at St Marys College RFC / Templeogue needs to prioritise pedestrians, to encourage cyclists, especially students, to cross the road and use the cycle track, rather than use the footpath as they do now.



*Cyclists heading towards Greentrees Road on the footpath*

## 4.0 Conclusion

The proposed cycle scheme will bring much needed improvements to cycling facilities in Walkinstown and Templeogue. We hope that the improvements will be extended to the remainder of Templeville Road without undue delay.

It is disappointing that it doesn't include any improvements for cyclists or pedestrians at the Templeville Road roundabout, and this will detract from the overall usefulness of the route.

Yours sincerely

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