RE: Watlington Relief Road

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Hi.

I asked about this and got the following response from one of our people:

Many thanks for your email. In answer to your query, a 3m shared footway/cycleway will be provided on the inside curve of the Watlington Relief Road, near to the houses. Crossings and transition facilities will be provided at the connection with existing highway where cyclists will be on-street. Side road junctions will also be provided to give priority for pedestrians and cyclists over the mouths of the junction. In addition, a 2m wide verge will be provided as a buffer between the shared footpath/cycleway and the proposed road. In relation to future proofing future development, currently all the schemes identified in the Watlington Neighbourhood Development Plan (2017-33) have been accommodated by the scheme.

The housing developments are legacy developments and their original planning applications were submitted several years before the quoted guidance, LTN 1/20, became standard in July 2020. We would be unable to provide another cycleway/footpath on the opposite side of the Watlington Relief Road at this stage as we have not negotiated for the land and would have to under CPO, which would add a significant delay to the scheme.

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& my inbox is always bombed out