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Walking and cycling improvements in Chorlton – final design for Area 3b, Manchester Road from Clarendon Road West to Sandy Lane

Dear Resident,

The Manchester to Chorlton Walking and Cycleway scheme is part of our commitment to make transport across the city healthier and cleaner. It will form part of the Bee Network – more than 1,800 miles of routes with 400 miles of Dutch-style segregated bike lanes, which will be the UK's largest joined-up network for walkers and cyclists. The routes will connect every community in Greater Manchester and make cycling and walking an easy alternative to car travel. We're improving our connections across the city to support long-term sustainable economic growth and create opportunities for all; the work also ties in with the Greater Manchester 2040 Transport Strategy.

Following two previous rounds of consultation and engagement, we have listened to feedback, adjusted our plans and can now share the details of the final design with you.

The final design includes:

- Cycle Optimised Protected Signal (CYCLOPS) junctions, which fully segregate traffic, cyclists and pedestrians; these will be installed at the junction of Barlow Moor Road/Wilbraham Road (Four Banks) and at the junction of Barlow Moor Road/High Lane/Sandy Lane. Right-turn bans from Barlow Moor Road (S) to Wilbraham Road (E), Wilbraham Road (E) to Barlow Moor Road (N), and Wilbraham Road (W) to Barlow Moor Road (S) (Four Banks) to allow smoother flow of traffic.
- Right-turn bans from Barlow Moor Road to Sandy Lane, and from Sandy Lane into Barlow Moor Road, again to avoid congestion and delays.
- A segregated cycle lane along the length of the route that bypasses bus stops and parking/loading bays where possible.
- Narrowing of the road at junctions with side roads, by building out the footway, along with raised tables to slow traffic.
- Sustainable urban drainage (rain gardens) to improve the street scene, while also improving the drainage and helping to prevent flooding.
- A one-way system at the junction of Manchester Road, Clarendon Road West, and Buckingham Road.

- Upgrading the crossing near Ransfield Road to a toucan crossing, which allows pedestrians and cyclists to cross at the same time.
- A new puffin crossing on Manchester Road near Warwick Road (puffin crossings differ from pelican crossings in that they do not have a flashing green man/flashing amber signal – the overall crossing time is established each time by on-crossing pedestrian detectors).

Traffic counts and speed measurements will show whether elements of the new cycleway are having a positive or negative impact on the surrounding area. We are keen to ensure that the cycleway doesn't have any negative effects on any local residents, so monitoring will take place to provide evidence of any impacts. If further mitigation measures are needed, any required changes can be made.

You can view the plans at www.manchester.gov.uk/improvements or you can request a pdf of the plans to be emailed to you at the address below. Copies of the final designs are also available to view in Chorlton Library.

Work to install these new measures is due to start in February 2023, and is estimated to be completed in September 2023. Once work commences, updates regarding traffic management and progress will be available on the website.

If you have any serious concerns or issues around the proposals, you can contact the team responsible by email at chorltoncyclescheme@manchester.gov.uk

Yours faithfully,

Highways Team

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