

# 23/0751/RES Hill Barton Farm Hill Barton Road Exeter EX1 3PR

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Planning Team  
Exeter City Council

Dear Christopher

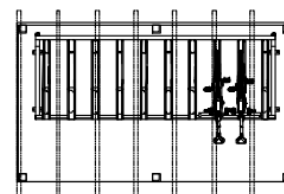
Exeter Cycling Campaign is grateful for the opportunity to comment on the application for [Barton Farm Hill Barton Road Exeter EX1 3PR](#)

It is good to see bike storage facilities planned for every property, including the apartment blocks. We do though have concerns about the design and quantity of these bike storage facilities. Until these have been adequately addressed we shall have to object to this application.

## Design

We found it difficult understanding the cycle parking design. What seems to be apparent though is that:

- There is no provision made for non-standard bikes. Increasingly people are choosing cargo bikes, stretch bikes, mobility/adapted bikes and trailers as an alternative to owning a car. These 'non-standard' bike designs need to be accommodated in the cycle parking design.
- Increasingly people are choosing electric bikes. Some of these do not have detachable batteries. Provision should be made to enable charging of bike batteries at or near bike storage locations.
- The plans for bike storage could be interpreted as having raised/elevated bike storage. This design is inappropriate for many users. Bike storage needs to accommodate people who can only roll their bike into storage.
- It is imperative that bike parking is secure. We could find not details about how cycle parking which is publicly accessible will be made secure. We would expect to see proposals including considerations of lighting and surveillance for these locations.



**PLAN**  
10 No. Bicycles

## Quantity

National standards for the number of bike storage places is one per bedroom ([see LTN 1/20 table 11.1](#)). In addition, provision needs to be made for visitors to the apartment blocks arriving by bike.



We were unable to establish how many bike parking places are planned for this development. The impression given though is that insufficient space has been given, especially in the apartments, for minimum cycle parking places.

We hope that these comments help to improve this application. We look forward to these issues being addressed so that we can remove our objection.

Yours sincerely,

Mike Walton

for and on behalf of:

EXETER CYCLING CAMPAIGN

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