

# DCC/4337/2023 Landfill site at Lower Brenton Farm, Kennford, (Orange Elephant)

## Exeter Cycling Campaign Response

The Exeter Cycling Campaign recognises that we have missed the deadline for this application but hope that our comments can be considered.

We have reviewed the details



here: <https://planning.devon.gov.uk/PlanDisp.aspx?AppNo=DCC/4337/2023>

We have concerns about this application which match our previous concerns to application DCC/4268/2021. These concerns centre on the impact on the existing cycle lane on the A379.

We would object to the current design of this application until these concerns have been addressed.

## Existing cycle lane on A379 and design of junctions

**Provision and safety for people who cycle along the cycle 'lane' on the A379 is inadequate.**

The main route for people cycling into Exeter from Halden, Kennford, Kenn and outlying villages and down the Brenton Road is currently to follow the *designated* cycle route along Brenton Road joining A379.

The design of this cycle 'lane' is already very poor: it is ambiguous, forces cyclists onto/off the road, has no protection and is poorly maintained. With the additional (HGV) traffic that this application will bring the cycle lane and junctions need redesigning.

This application will see up to 200 extra HGV lorry movements each day, Monday to Saturday, over this regular cycling route. These lorries will then all have to drive down the



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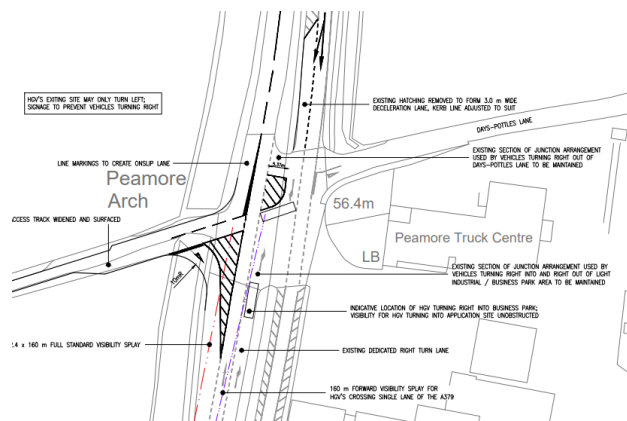
same slip road as we use, with the slip road being only 3.6m wide. The gate in the pic below is the proposed site entrance

The DCC Highways' report appears not to acknowledge the existence of this existing cycle route along the A379. This is surprising.

With the new school, Matford Brook Academy, soon to open about a mile down the A379, many children should be encouraged to cycle to school from Kennford, Kenn and Clapham and other villages locally



DCC Highways' previous assessment of the A379/Days Pottles Lane junction that *"The layout needs to be looked at again to make safe provision for **all** users"* (our emphasis). These other users include people cycling along the cycle lane on the A379. We would expect to see proper junction design that enables safe movement for people cycling at the junctions to Days Pottle Lane, Brenton Road, Shillingford Road and the proposed new roundabout.



We understand that the Planning Committee previously considering 17/03039/MAJ where the officer report to Committee on 1 August 2017 stated that there would be a sustainable transport contribution to fully fund the provision of an off-site cycleway alongside the A379. We are not aware that this has happened.

Thank you

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On behalf of  
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