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**Subject:** 20/01830/F - New Pioneer Roundabout - speed limit safety concern for cyclists and pedestrians A41

Dear Planning Committee Members

I have only recently become aware of the new Pioneer roundabout where the design speed is to be 50 mph. This is dangerous for cyclists and a deterrent to walkers. Vehicles that might save a few seconds on a journey will come to a stop at Rodney House traffic lights roundabout anyway.

Prioritisation of vehicles over other road users is in direct conflict with Oxfordshire County Council's Climate Action Framework 2020 citing aspirational themes of "Transport & Connectivity" and "Supporting Schools" on pages 7 and 9, where the County Council hopes to make walking and cycling accessible and normal.

If 50 mph is deemed necessary by OCC then it is essential that this planning application includes paths that comply with Local Traffic Note (LTN) 1/20 in order to ensure a safer route for cycling and pedestrians along the A41.

I am an experienced urban cyclist who was able to complete the vast majority of my journeys for 23 years in Oxford by bicycle. Having moved to Bicester I'm disheartened to discover just how unfriendly it is for cyclists. I would like to see greater emphasis given to active travel in road design. Cycling and walking have the potential to reduce traffic levels, improve air quality and fitness of residents. It would also act as tangible evidence of the Councils' positive response to improving options for residents and acting on its climate change commitments.

Yours sincerely

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