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3 Duffield Road Bus Lane

The recent introduction of a bus lane along the south bound carriageway of Duffield Road between Church Lane and Broadway has provoked a degree of controversy. The view of the Derby Cycling Group on this new scheme is generally very positive notwithstanding a less than ideal situation for north bound cyclists due to the narrowed carriage way following introduction of the bus lane. In mitigation however the bus lane does at least provide south bound cyclists with a much better ride into town. While it may at first seem rather perverse for a cycling group to support a scheme which does not in itself really enhance cycling, the DCG is strongly supports the promotion of public transport as a means of achieving a sustainable transportation system for the city. Consequently the DCG is fully of supportive bus lanes such as have been installed on Duffield road and would like to see many more of them throughout the city. In the case of Duffield Road, the DCG believes the best way forward is to retain the new bus lane and, in addition, build a new cycle path to improve the situation for north bound cyclists.