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**From:**  
**Sent:** 06 January 2026 20:39  
**To:** DC Admin  
**Subject:** RE: Planning application 2025/60/92776/E Banks group development Eastfield HD88HB

Dear Louise,

I would be grateful if you would add these additional comments to my original objection and brought to the attention of the planning committee.

The transport assessment section 3.4 on cycling Accessibility is incorrect. It states that *“Cycling also has potential to substitute for short car trips, particularly those under 5 kilometres, and to form part of a longer journey by public transport” (Para 77)*

In support of this claim it offers National cycle route 627 and Regional route. The Regional route uses a bridle way that has a number of steep sections that are very muddy and difficult to ride along. The NCR uses dam hill to get to Stockmore which is a narrow steeply descending twisty road with an equally difficult ascent.

Abbey Road South is a steep ascent to Sovereign cross roads passing Car lane. Both have been the scene of many accidents in recent years and at least one fatality.

There are very few cycle lanes available locally and it is very unlikely that cycling could be seen as a viable alternative to a short car trip with the routes suggested.

Regards