

Proposed cycle and pedestrian improvements, between Inverleith Place and The Goldenacre Path



Issue:

QuietRoute 20 is an important part of Edinburgh's network of routes for walking and cycling. The levels of traffic on parts of QuietRoute 20 are too high to meet the standards of the QuietRoute network.

Purpose and context:

The scheme will make it easier, safer and quicker for people walking and cycling along Inverleith Place, Inverleith Row and Warriston Gardens, travelling between Warriston Gardens and The Goldenacre Path, and as part of wider journeys in the north of the city.

This will help people travelling on foot and by bicycle to reach local and key destinations, including schools, workplaces, shops and parks.

The Council is developing a network of cycle routes across the city, called the 'QuietRoutes' network. We know that heavy or fast traffic is the most significant barrier preventing people who want to cycle from doing so. To address this the QuietRoutes are designed so that people can cycle without having to travel in heavy or fast traffic.

QuietRoute 20 links Inverleith, the Royal Botanic Garden, Canonmills, Leith Walk, Easter Road, Lochend Park and Restalrig on quiet roads and traffic free paths.

Proposed scheme:

The Council is proposing:

- A segregated cycleway along Inverleith Place;
- Improvements to crossing facilities at the junction of Inverleith Place, Arboretum Road and Arboretum Place;
- A new signalised crossing on Inverleith Row, to the south of its junction with Inverleith Place;
- A segregated cycleway on the east side of Inverleith Row between Inverleith Place and Warriston Gardens;
- A new ramp to connect Warriston Gardens and The Goldenacre Path.

We would like your views on these initial design proposals and any other comments you have. On the next page is an overview map of the area.

There are also more detailed drawings of the scheme on the consultation web page accessed from www.edinburgh.gov.uk/cyclewalk.

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Purpose: to help people walking and cycling to reach popular local destinations around Inverleith Place, Inverleith Row and Warriston Gardens. To remove a barrier for cyclists using QuietRoute 20.

Advantages:

- People walking and cycling have greater priority, safety and reduced waiting times over motor vehicles;
- Cyclists will be protected from busy traffic on Inverleith Place and Inverleith Row;
- A link will be provided between Warriston Gardens and The Goldenacre Path;
- People walking and cycling will be physically separated on Inverleith Place to increase safety.

Disadvantages:

- The existing space for pedestrians to walk on along Inverleith Row would be narrowed to accommodate the segregated cycleway;
- People walking and cycling would not be physically separated on Inverleith Row.

