

Edinburgh City Council Election 2022

Spokes Manifesto

Safety, Vision Zero

- A top-level aim of zero deaths and serious injuries on our roads and footways.

Traffic Reduction

- Reduce car-km 30% by 2030 - endorse and act on this existing commitment
- All departments, not just Transport, to actively support the 30% commitment - for example, decisions on planning applications
- A staged programme of reduced on-street parking provision and increased enforcement
- Avoid any road capacity expansion and use budgets instead for sustainable modes.

Cycle Network

- A comprehensive cycling network, safe and welcoming for all ages and abilities
- High emphasis on protected infrastructure on direct and well-lit main-road routes, including improved and permanent Spaces for People infrastructure
- Accelerate long-delayed schemes, including CCWEL, Meadows to George Street, and cycle exemption in one-way streets
- [Cycling by Design](#) to be the basis of all cycling provision, including in planning as well as transport.

Cycle accessibility and supporting infrastructure

- Urgent action on a replacement cycle hire scheme, and inclusion of non-standard machines, notably cargo bikes
- Further expansion, to meet current and future demand, of the Cyclehoop secure cycle storage scheme
- Quality bike parking (Sheffield racks with crossbar), and ebike charging, in town centre shopping streets
- Tackle the pothole scourge and ensure that active travel infrastructure is built into road maintenance work.

Resourcing

- Maintain and increase Edinburgh's UK-leading policy of allocating 10% of transport capital and revenue budgets to cycling, given the rudimentary extent of the existing cycle network. Capital is for new schemes, whilst revenue tackles ongoing issues such as path maintenance and gritting
- Ensure adequate funding to maintain the existing pavement network at a good standard, with additional funding for footway enhancements such as pedestrian and toucan crossings, dropped kerbs, etc.