

September 2025: [Tram Consultation, Granton to Bioquarter](#)

This is a very brief easy-read summary of the Spokes position on the Crewe Toll to Roseburn options in the Granton to Bioquarter tram consultation Please check [our website](#) for more detail.

The February 2024 Transport Committee looked at many options and decided that tram was the best solution to prevent car travel shooting up due to the many thousands of new homes coming in Granton and Little France, and they decided the route options of Orchard Brae or Roseburn. We are unlikely to have any significant influence on the which of those routes the Council chooses, as this is likely to be based on estimated tram patronage, reducing car use and on the finances. However, where Spokes can be effective, and has been effective, is to fight for conditions for cycling to be as good as possible *whichever option the Council goes for.*

On the **Orchard Brae** option, the big cycling problem is the onroad tramlines, where tramline injuries will happen, as at Princes Street and Haymarket, because of no separation between cyclists and tramlines. Spokes will argue that if the Council chooses Orchard Brae, they should include measures like bus gates to reduce traffic, single-track at Dean Bridge, etc, to make cycling as safe as possible. Please consider making these points yourself and send us your suggestions.

On **Roseburn**, thanks partly to our big campaign in early 2024, a 3m to 4m path, with just one 2m pinch point, is now agreed north of Roseburn. There will be a single-line tram, no overhead cables or supporting columns, and the path separated by a buffer zone *and* a fence.

The plans south of Roseburn, however, are confused. Spokes will argue fiercely that if the Council chooses Roseburn the path should continue at high level over the mainline railway, to give a complete traffic-free route from Leith, along the fantastic new path to Fountainbridge. This railway bridge is already included in the Council's Mobility Plan as a long-term objective, so a very realistic opportunity to fight for. Please consider asking for this, if the Council does choose Roseburn.

Many thanks for reading - and do check out our website for more background.