

Spokes Action-Update 01.10.26

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1. Spokes Member Survey: tram & city centre

Many thanks if you responded to our survey on the two controversial issues of the **Northern tram extension** and of the **relative importance of Princes St and George St** for cycling. Both of these issues have now been discussed by Council committees, with decisions which move things on further, not always in directions we preferred, and with a great deal of uncertainty remaining (as expected!)

Short summaries of the survey results are below, but see our [website article](#) for more discussion. The full survey report is [here](#), with appendices on the data and full listings of all comments received.

With over 1000 members, we received 233 valid responses, many of which included comments. Our big thanks to Resources Group member David Monaghan for organising the survey and the analysis, including checks that responses were from Spokes members only. And thank you if you are a [Spokes member](#) and took part.

2. Princes Street / George Street

Our **survey** found that somewhat more members currently use George Street than Princes Street, but there is *huge suppressed demand* for Princes Street. If cycle facilities on each street were equally good, around 30% would find Princes Street most useful for their journeys compared to 15% for George Street (30% for both).

We also held a **traffic count** on both streets on Thurs 24 September, delayed unfortunately beyond the Committee date (due to the Princes Street fire). Full results will be presented soon on our website. However, in both streets they showed bikes comprising *over 30% of all vehicles during 8-9am and over 25% at lunchtime (1230-1330)*.

Council decisions – City Centre - Planning Committee, 9.9.26

Our [Spokes written deputation](#) put the case for a major Princes Street rethink, with the 4 traffic lanes reduced to 2, giving space for cycle lanes and much wider footways. Whether this is possible without reducing existing bus and tram services is disputed. Modelling by Richard Murphy suggested it is, whereas [council officers](#) (who have never published their modelling) say not. The Spokes deputation said that **if** it is impossible, then some buses should use George Street, to maintain public transport capacity. The debate was covered in this Spokes [bluesky thread](#).

The Committee, unfortunately, **voted 7 to 2** to accept the officer recommendations. The result is that a large sum of money from the Visitor Levy, which had originally been intended to fund the George Street project, now looks set to be transferred to Princes Street, for what Cllr Lang in the debate called just *“a glorified resurfacing project.”*

During the debate, however, conditions for cycling did feature heavily, thanks in part to our deputation. Councillors pointed out that there seemed likely to be no bike routes on Princes Street, and no change on George Street for the foreseeable future.

As a result it was agreed that officers should bring a report to the next Transport Committee (12 November) on what could be done sooner to improve George Street cycling conditions. Our deputation suggested removing car parking and installing bike lanes.

A senior officer [also stated](#) during the debate that the Princes Street decision did not mean that further changes, small or large, might not be possible in the future – and Spokes will continue to fight for that - but it does seem likely we would be talking a good few years.

Since this is coming back to Committee, it is very worth contacting your councillors about what you'd like to see.

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Vote

- 7 SNP/Lab/Con - Option 1
- 2 LibDem - Option 2
- 2 Green - neither

SNP drops their 2nd point, re need for 8 lanes on George Street. Convener says this will be discussed at TEC (? !)

Spokes conclusion:

Scotland's premier street remains dominated by roadscape 13/14

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Non Statutory Planning Guidance - Princes Street and Waverley Valley Strategy Update
Speaker: Cllr Joan Griffiths

from Spokes bluesky report (click picture for all)

3. Tramline extensions, north and south

On the northern tramline extension, the Spokes member survey found very strong agreement (over 80%) on an extension. However marginally over a quarter of members (27%) say this *must* be via Orchard Brae, whilst marginally under a quarter (23%) say it *must* be via Roseburn; whilst 30% find both options acceptable. Thus, in total, 57% find the Orchard Brae route acceptable, and 53% the Roseburn route, a difference well within 95% confidence levels - see graph in the full report (1 above).

Council decisions – Tram extension - Transport Committee (TEC) 9.9.26

The debate was framed by the SNP decision at last May's Holyrood election to include in their Scotland manifesto opposition to a northern tram extension beside Roseburn path. With opposition also from Lib Dems, and Conservative opposition to the entire tram project, and a general feeling at Committee that the Orchard Brae option is not realistic technically or financially, the Committee could not agree to any northern extension meantime.

This led to a wide range of complaints, such as from [Granton and District Community Council](#), given that the major planned housing expansion at Granton was predicated on a northern tram extension, to enable low car ownership. There were 10 deputations to the Committee, on both sides of the argument, which can be seen [here](#). Our bluesky thread of the entire meeting, including the tram debate, is [here](#).

Given the impasse on northern extension, the Committee decided that the southern section, Princes Street to Bioquarter, should go ahead first, with decisions on northern extension be put off for the time being. The southern section also has the advantage that it ties in with the 'Tram Trains for Edinburgh' concept which has gained government funding for an initial high-level feasibility study.

However, whilst Spokes supports the tram we have grave concerns about cycling safety in the Bridges section, and [our deputation](#) urged major consideration to this, including single-track tram in this section. This was highlighted by Green councillors, who successfully added an amendment on cycling safety to the final motion.

Of course, finance remains a major issue, even for the next stage, an "Outline Business Case" (OBC). The Council's answer is for tram to be seen as part of Regional transport strategy for South East Scotland (it would eventually extend into the Lothians), and so more likely to achieve government funding in future. Thus it was decided that the tram project would form part of the planned Regional 'SEStransit' report, due to come out in Autumn 2027.

With all these compromises, Labour, Green and SNP were able to agree on a motion to support the entire route in the long term, with initial priority to the South; with no further substantial work on the tram project until Autumn 2027; and with an amendment seeking maximum attention to cycling safety.

4. Spokes AGM 2026 - report

The 2026 AGM was held on Wednesday 9th September at Augustine United Church. Draft minutes, along with all the reports presented to the meeting are on the Spokes website at www.spokes.org.uk/documents/internal-documents/aggm-september-2026.

Join the working party on Spokes future

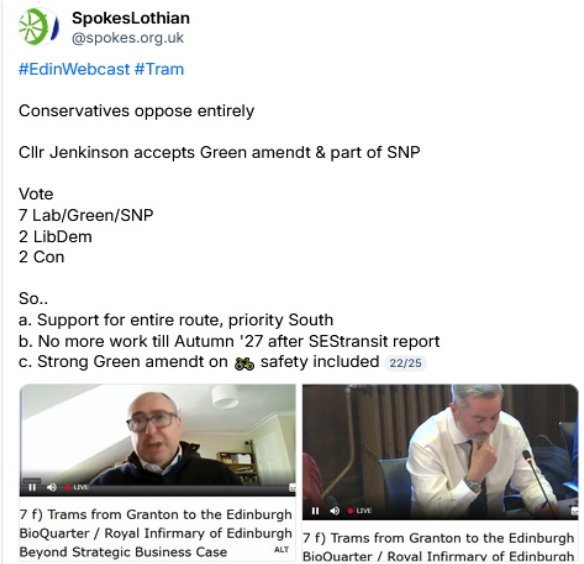
Members who want to be involved in considering a major change in the way Spokes operates should join the working party set up by the AGM to consider whether Spokes should become a **SCIO** (Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation) – i.e. effectively to apply for charitable status.

The main change would be appointment of a board of trustees for the charity. This wouldn't change the way that the existing working groups (resources, planning and maps) operate, but the trustees would be responsible for strategic oversight and co-ordination. Trustees would be elected by members and would include representatives of each of the working groups as well as others bringing specific knowledge and experience to the organisation.

Becoming a charity would also give Spokes members a very important protection against being sued (a risk which is very small but potentially very serious if it did happen) and has some financial advantages.

When this change was discussed at the AGM it was agreed to convene a working group and then potentially have a vote of members to decide whether to go ahead with this change.

If you are interested in joining an online meeting of the working group in October, and receive further background material, contact Ian Maxwell at imaxwell@gn.apc.org.



from Spokes bluesky report (click picture for all)

5. Dates for *your diary*

* = with Spokes stall. *Come along and say hello – or email us to offer help!*

Oct 8 [People's Emergency Briefing](#) – climate crisis film featuring experts from a range of disciplines. Includes discussion led by Spokes member [Dr Scott Arthur MP](#), St Michael's Parish Church hall, Slateford Rd EH11 1NX



Oct 11 [CargoBike Carnival](#), the Meadows, 11am-2pm. Possible Spokes stall ?

Oct 22 [Glow Ride](#) Women-led North Edinburgh ride, 5.45-7pm [register in advance]

Oct 31 [Critical Mass](#)

*Nov 19 [Spokes public meeting, Cycling & Public Transport](#)

Speakers on several public transport issues, followed by our usual one-hour QA. We hope the meeting will be positive, instructive and inquisitive, with a QA of constructive ideas / suggestions, not just complaints!

Scotland's Railway: John Lauder (who is also former Sustrans Scotland director) will describe the [Railway for Everyone](#) project, which seeks to improve access to stations and to trains, for walkers, wheelers and cyclists

Lothian Buses: A speaker from [Lothian Buses](#) and possibly Edinburgh Trams will tell us about their driver cycling-awareness training and discuss bus/bike interaction on the roads

Tram Trains for Edinburgh: Rob Falcon, a founder of TTfE, will describe [TTfE proposals](#) to re-open the South Suburban Railway to tram-trains, which could also use Edinburgh's tram network, and how to maximise the project's potential benefits for bike travel, which could include new bike route connections, active travel routes to stations, and bike carriage. [see 6.2 below for possible Spokes involvement]

REGULAR EVENTS *[check before attending, and tell us of any changes]*

Tuesdays 5-6.15pm UK cycle campaigners '[Active Travel Cafe](#)' via zoom. News, speakers & discussion

Tuesdays & Thursdays [Edinburgh Dawn Patrol](#) Markus Stitz, founder of [BikePacking Scotland](#), runs early-morning rides, leaving St Andrew Square west gate at 5.40am, ending at Wellington Coffee

Wednesdays 3pm-9pm [Bike Kitchen](#) Fix your bike with help from qualified volunteers at [Edinburgh Tool Library](#)

Thursdays 5-8pm [Bike DIY repair](#) at the Wee Spoke Hub [tools and advice provided; book in advance]

Fridays 2-4pm until 30 October. Easy rides from Bridgend Farmhouse. admin@bridgendfarmhouse.org.uk

Saturday 2pm – last Sat every month except December – [Critical Mass community fun ride](#), also making a point

Saturday 10am – first Sat every month March-November – [Livingston 20-milers](#) relaxed, sociable not-fast rides, with trained ride leaders, mainly Spokes members, exploring in Livingston and the countryside around.

6. Spokes – help opportunities

6.1 Spokes becoming a SCIO – working group

If interested in this, particularly if you have relevant experience, please join our working party – see 4 above.

6.2 Tech support for Spokes public meetings

Do you have tech skills? Or would you like to learn? Spokes Public Meetings require someone to work the sound desk and live-stream and record the meeting. Augustine's offer induction and basic training on their equipment.

Public Meetings usually take place 2 or 3 times a year. A tech person would be needed from 7pm to 9.30 or so. Although we have a current techie, he may be leaving the area soon, and in any case it would be great to have two or three volunteers to share the load and ensure coverage if someone is on holiday or otherwise unavailable.

6.3 Tram Trains for Edinburgh

Following a request in a previous Action-Update, a small Spokes subgroup has now been set up prepare a report on potential bike access routes to station sites on the proposed initial [TTfE](#) route (Portobello to Murrayfield, mainly using the South Sub rail route). With government funding now in place for an initial TTfE feasibility study, early input on cycling connections will be very valuable, rather than it being an afterthought as so often happens. If you are interested *and if you have the time to be an active participant in the working group*, please get in touch.

7. Snippets

7.1 Bike numbers keep rising

Cycling Scotland [has reported on](#) the latest data from its automatic cycle counters.

Highlights include...

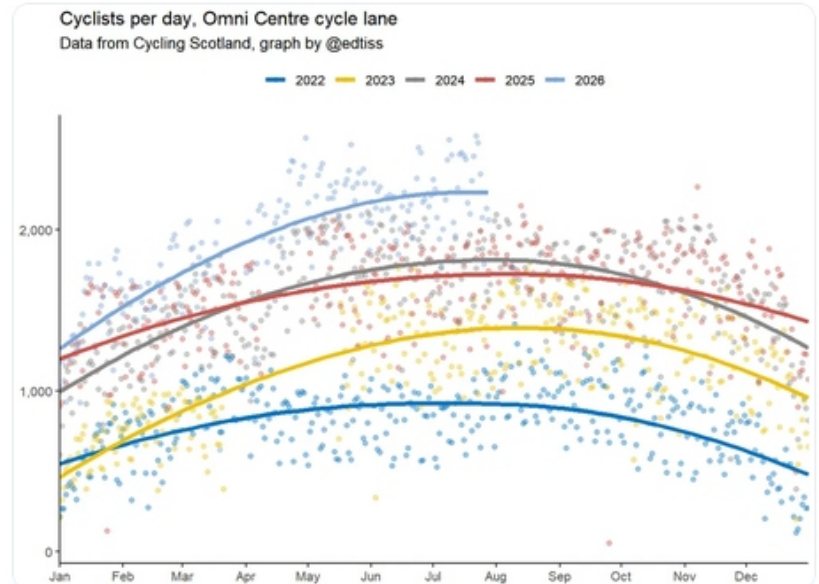
- On Leith Walk, more bikes than cars during morning rush hour - the first time this has been seen
- York Place had its highest cycling modal share so far (4.7% of all journeys were by bike, up from 2.1% in May 2021)
- Three Glasgow streets with new dedicated cycle lanes recorded their highest ever cycling modal shares – Clyde Street (13.6%), Garscube Road (6.2%) and Victoria Road (16.6%)
- Cycling more than doubled on Glasgow's East City Way following route improvements, rising to nearly 700 bike journeys per day in May 2026, up from 300 per day in May 2024.
- Strong peaks in morning and evening rush hours show that improved cycle routes are helping more people travel by bike for everyday journeys, like getting to and from work



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Yet another all-time record set on the Leith Walk cycle lane - 2,582 cyclists on 22nd July 2026.

I suspect much of the surge this year is due to the brilliant success of Voi hire e-bikes. [@edinburghminute.com](#) [@edi.bike](#) [@spokes.org.uk](#)
[@edinreporter.bsky.social](#) 1/3



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20 reposts 3 quotes 55 likes 2 saves

Ed Tissiman's regular bluesky [Leith Walk update](#), 2022 to the present

7.2 Scot Gov shock decision to stop councils introducing road user charging

To widespread surprise and shock, the new SNP Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Tourism and Transport, Stephen Flynn MSP, has [stopped work on the regulations](#) which would have allowed Councils to introduce road user charging (including congestion charging) – thus effectively preventing Councils from doing so.

His decision was fiercely attacked by his own SNP colleague, the leader of Glasgow City Council, Ricky Bell who called the decision, taken without even consulting Scottish Councils, “*a disgrace.*” Glasgow had been [seriously considering](#) congestion charging, whilst Edinburgh was had raised the possibility of a joint scheme with other neighbouring councils. Edinburgh Labour leader, [Cllr Jane Meagher](#), said Edinburgh “*had to do something significant*” or it would end up with a “*gridlocked city centre.*”

Spokes member [Cllr Chas Booth](#) told the press: “*This is a massively damaging U-turn from the Scottish government, which will make it impossible for councils to meet their own car reduction targets, and will undermine efforts to tackle the climate emergency ... This is a betrayal by the Scottish government, who should be utterly ashamed.*”

If this concerns you, [email your MSPs](#) asking for this decision to be reversed. Send us any useful replies.

7.3 Ben – Cycling Champion

Our fervent congratulations to Ben Seven, creator of the amazing weekly [edi.bike newsletter](#) about everything cycling in Edinburgh, named as [2026 Cycling Champion](#) at the Cycling Scotland conference. Ben's amazing energy extends to much behind-the-scenes campaigning, including working with Spokes and many other groups. Notably, he resurrected Pedal on Parliament in 2026.

We were proud to be one of the many organisations who nominated Ben for [this honour](#).



7.4 Princes Street fire – cyclists still need to beware

Edinburgh Trams have [asked us to point out](#) to any cyclists using Princes Street since the fire that the eastbound traffic lane between Castle Street and Frederick Street has been temporarily narrowed for a short section next to the Debenhams fire site. For cyclists this leaves only a narrow space beside tram lines.

Edinburgh Trams reminds cyclists to avoid moving across tram lines at a poor angle, as this brings a danger of wheel-trapping and an increased danger of slipping, particularly when wet.



7.5 Invest your cash in greening Edinburgh

Anyone lucky enough to have money to invest long-term can now support projects in Edinburgh that reduce climate damaging emissions, prepare for the impacts of climate change and help to protect nature, under a new initiative by Edinburgh Council in partnership with Abundance Investment Ltd. Investments are for 5 years, with annual 4.84% interest, paid 6-monthly, and the capital returned after the 5 years. Even small amounts of money can be invested.

Council Leader Jane Meagher said:

We're already seeing the effects of a changing climate in Edinburgh with warmer and wetter weather causing damage to property, travel disruption, flooding and wildfires. When we declared a climate and nature emergency and set out our commitment to tackle the causes and consequences of a changing climate, we knew we couldn't do it alone and would need the support of partner organisations, residents and businesses. Alongside the projects and plans already in progress, our new investment initiative will enable our residents and businesses to help support projects that will benefit the places where they live, work and visit. By working together, we can make a meaningful difference to ensure we're ready to cope with a changing climate.

Find out more [here](#) and (also to apply) [here](#).

Abundance now works with some 20 councils across the UK on similar schemes. Each Council can decide how the money will be used, for climate-related projects. This can include active travel and other sustainable transport projects, but in Edinburgh the emphasis is on “*nature-based projects including tree planting and flood prevention through sustainable drainage. These projects can reduce emissions, offer cooler spaces during heatwaves and reduce flooding risk during heavy rainstorms. They will also boost biodiversity and improve access to nature.*”



City of Edinburgh Council is investing in greening and sustainable drainage solutions

7.6 Bike Station flooded

On 19 August, extremely heavy rainfall led to flash flooding in several areas of the city centre. The basement workshop of [The Bike Station](#) in Tollcross was flooded, forcing staff to evacuate, and causing significant damage (see picture). It has re-opened, but lost over a week of work and revenue during its busiest time of the year, with the communities programme in full swing as schools return from summer holidays.

They therefore launched an online fundraiser, to support ongoing recovery of the workshop and its community projects working with children, young people, asylum seekers, and other groups under-represented in cycling. Spokes was proud to support the crowdfunder by matching donations up to a total of £5000. This was advertised on Spokes social media ([bluesky](#) and facebook). Although the [crowdfunder](#) closes at the end of September, you can still support [the Bike Station](#) directly by donations of unwanted bikes, cash or volunteering.



Please respond as an individual to all consultations that concern you. And copy to Spokes, to aid our central response. We'd also appreciate volunteers to do initial draft Spokes responses, ideally joining our Planning Group

8. Consultations – do respond to any that matter to you!

Keep up to date with relevant consultations, on our [consultations page](#)

8.1 Edinburgh City Plan 2040 – Ideas consultation – [website & online survey](#) – **closes 21 October**

The City Plan is an important document which lays out intended changes of use to land and related policies across the city, including transport uses. The Council has now embarked on the long process of preparing its next, 2040 City Plan. Links to the existing City Plan 2030 and the developing City Plan 2040 are on [this Council web page](#).

The first stage was an 'Evidence Report' which includes a massive amount of detail on the Council area as a whole and of individual wards – including, for example, an active travel map for each ward. See our [bluesky](#) for links and a couple of example extracts from the report.

The second stage, now underway, is the **Ideas consultation** above, open to individuals and organisations .

On the website above you can submit your ideas for **places** such as buildings, streets or neighbourhoods – for example you could suggest a local shopping street you use and say how you think it should be changed to prioritise walking, cycling and sitting. You can also suggest **policies** affecting places, anywhere in the city, or city-wide – for example you could suggest that all new developments, from shops to housing, should include secure bike parking or storage if not already available nearby.

If you belong to a community organisation, they could make a submission about issues of local concern.

Please also repost our [bluesky](#) about the consultation.

8.2 Astley-Ainslie, draft 'Place' brief – [Consultation website](#) – **closes 11 Nov**

The old hospital site is to be redeveloped, mainly for housing, and the Council is consulting on a Brief which must be followed by developers. The draft Place Brief is [here](#). It includes walking and cycling links across the site, as in the drawing below. However you may have comments on the details.

Note that local people have already prepared a '[Local Place Plan](#).' Legally, the Council must take account of this in preparing its Place brief though they don't have to agree with it all.



What you can do

- Respond to the [online consultation](#)
- If there are points you'd like Spokes to make, email us spokes@spokes.org.uk
- Attend the drop-ins: Morningside Library 5Oct, 1630-1900 and Newington Library 24 Oct, 10.30-13.30.

8.3 Old Dalkeith Road, Cameron Toll to Bioquarter – closes 16 October

The Traffic Orders for the Council's planned fully segregated cycle route have reached the stage of public objections/ comments, after long delays to make them compatible with the proposed tramline.

[Only read this para if you want to go into the details!] Note that there are 2 Orders, TRO/26/08 and RSO/26/07, the TRO covering the waiting and loading restrictions needed to make the route possible, whilst the RSO covers which areas of land are converted from one use to another (such as roadway to cycle route). The RSO can be found [here](#) and the TRO [here](#). We suggest that you just make one response, hopefully supporting both.

Spokes Planning Group has had an initial look and strongly supports the scheme, with just a few minor suggestions, including asking for a better link into Cameron Toll shopping centre.

The Orders include this very positive [Statement of Reasons](#) for implementing the scheme

The proposal includes the creation of a new segregated pedestrian and cycle route including new toucan signalised crossings and has been designed to:

- *Deliver a high-quality walking and segregated cycling route.*
- *Improve connectivity across the city by completing an important missing link in the network. Although there are existing advisory on-carriageway cycle routes along Old Dalkeith Road from Cameron Toll Roundabout to BioQuarter, users are not properly protected (there are a few sections with defenders and wands), and the surface is poor.*
- *Provide safer, more direct, and convenient access to key destinations by bike and on foot. There will be many trip generators in providing better access for pedestrians and cyclists to BioQuarter businesses, University facilities, Little France Royal Hospital for Children and Young People, Royal Infirmary, Outpatient Facilities, and Research Institutes.*
- *Provide better access to key employment and retail destinations listed above.*
- *Provide better access to green spaces.*
- *Improve road safety.*
- *Improve health and well-being.*
- *Reduce carbon dioxide emissions, to help the city achieve its net zero carbon aims by 2030.*
- *Encourage more people to switch to sustainable ways to travel. By providing safe, segregated routes it is hoped that users for whom perceived safety has been a barrier shall be actively encouraged into active travel habits.*
- *The project is outlined for delivery in The Council's City Mobility Plan 2021-2030 Implementation Plan: Delivering Actions for Active Travel.*
- *Delivering these improvements supports walking and cycling policies detailed in the Council's City Mobility Plan 2021-2030 and Active Travel Action Plan (ATAP).*

What you can do

- **There will be objections, so please do respond in support, even if you don't comment on the details.** The simplest way to respond is to go [here](#), then click on 'Respond' at the bottom right. In the response box say you are writing in support of TRO/26/08 and RSO/26/07 [don't muddle up the 07 and 08!!]. Then add any comments on the importance of the route, and add any detailed comments you may have.
- Alternatively, you can just email your support and comments to TRO.Consultations@edinburgh.gov.uk stating clearly that you are writing to support TRO/26/08 and RSO/26/07.
- If you have comments you'd like Spokes to include in our response, email spokes@spokes.org.uk asap.

8.4 Safety at street works and road works code of practice - [Consultation page](#) – closes 14 Dec

The UK government is consulting on updating this Code of Practice, which covers the entire United Kingdom. Spokes has not yet looked at this, but we welcome any comments from members.

"We are seeking views on proposed updates to the safety at street works and road works code of practice.

The [draft code of practice](#) (which should be read alongside this consultation) provides statutory guidance on the signing, lighting and guarding of street and road works on public roads and highways to help protect workers, road users and pedestrians.

The proposed updates reflect changes in legislation, guidance and working practices since the [safety at street works and road works code](#) was last updated in 2013."

9. Spokes Bluesky

Check out these recent popular Spokes Bluesky posts and re-post any you think deserve further coverage..

- [New mural on Roseburn – Canal path](#)
- [“I'm a 91-year-old who used to nip about by car”](#)
- [30 boxes of Spokes maps transported by cargobike](#)
- [Ben Seven Cycling Scotland award-winner](#)
- [Lab/SNP/Green cooperation on tram extension](#)
- [2 new councillor active-travel supporters](#)
- [Spokes website now mobile-friendly](#)

10. More & future consultations – *Check council, government, and other sites*

- ◆ **Edinburgh** consultationhub.edinburgh.gov.uk
- ◆ **Edinburgh** [Edinburgh traffic orders](#)
- ◆ **East Lothian** www.eastlothianconsultations.co.uk
- ◆ **Midlothian** www.midlothian.gov.uk/directory/33/consultations/category/182/categoryInfo/38
- ◆ **West Lothian** www.westlothian.gov.uk/consultations
- ◆ **Scottish Government** consult.gov.scot
- ◆ **Transport Scotland** www.transport.gov.scot/consultations
- ◆ **Scottish Parliament consultations** yourviews.parliament.scot/consultation_finder
- ◆ **Scottish Parliament petitions** petitions.parliament.scot
- ◆ **UK government consultations** https://www.gov.uk/search/policy-papers-and-consultations?content_store_document_type%5B%5D=open_consultations&order=most-viewed
- ◆ **Just in case...** Transform Scotland keeps an updated page of current transport-related consultations... transformscotland.org.uk/whats-new/action-alerts Check it out in case there's anything important that doesn't appear in the website addresses above (there often is!)
- ◆ **Spokes website** We have a page of particularly relevant consultations www.spokes.org.uk/consultns

11. Local councils - Active Travel websites + Cycle/AT Forums

- **Edinburgh** – [main page: Cycling & Walking page](#) / there is no Cycle Forum
- **East Lothian** - [main page: East Lothian on the move](#) / [AT infrastructure](#) / To attend the occasional council AT/Cycle Forum [usually held in-person] email cmilne@eastlothian.gov.uk
- **Midlothian** – [main page: Walking, cycling, horse riding](#) / [active travel map](#) / To attend the (new in 2026) online council AT/Cycle Forum, email Thomas.Quayle@midlothian.gov.uk
- **West Lothian** - [Enquiries and comments about new roads, footpaths, cycle routes](#) / [current projects and completed consultations](#). To attend the online AT/Cycle Forum (which is run by WL Climate Action, but includes a council officer), email jocelyn@wlcan.scot
- **SEStran** (South East Scotland regional transport partnership) – [People & Place, projects & grants](#)

COUNCIL CYCLE FORUMS [generally open to anyone interested, living in the council area]

- **East Lothian** [usually in-person] For next date email cmilne@eastlothian.gov.uk
- **Midlothian** [usually online] For next date email Thomas.Quayle@midlothian.gov.uk
- **West Lothian** [usually online] For next date email jocelyn@wlcan.scot

12. Keeping in touch

- ★ Remember to check out our **website** every so often www.spokes.org.uk
- ★ We are active on **Bluesky** [@spokes.org.uk](https://bsky.app/profile/spokes.org.uk) Follow us, and repost posts that you support. *Note: There's a guide to migrating (eXiting!) from X to Bluesky [here](#).* And, if you are an organisation, remember to change any references to your X account on your website and all other platforms that you use.
- ★ If you use **Facebook**, please like, share, etc the [Spokes Facebook page](#)
- ★ To campaign effectively Spokes needs as many supporters as possible. If you are not already a member and you like what we do, go to www.spokes.org.uk/membership.