



## **Address to Delegated Decisions – Cabinet Member for Transport – 11 December 2025**

These comments are from Robin Tucker, Co-Chair of CoHSAT. I will be at a Cycling UK Board meeting and unavailable for the meeting, so I supply this written addresses.

### ***Wantage and Grove LCWIP***

An LCWIP is a crucial document in the development of a town's walking and cycling networks. It sets out the vision for a complete and coherent network, and the individual improvement that are required to achieve it. It's a vital step towards gaining funding towards these schemes.

We are pleased that the process of developing the Wantage and Grove LCWIP has been a good exercise in co-production. We and local group Wantage and Grove Active Travel have been involved throughout the process. The result is a thorough plan. It's still a long journey to achieve the dream of fully implemented networks, and it's easy to turn good ideas into poor delivery by compromising on widths, junctions or transitions.

Wantage has seen particular problems were developments in the last few years on Reading Road which have not only failed to provide an active travel connection with the main part of the town, but have removed the space in which it is possible to provide one. This is a tragedy that should have been avoided and will blight future generations. This is not the only similar problem, in Wantage or across the county.

We hope that this LCWIP and improved processes in Transport Development Control will avoid such mistakes in the future, and enable high quality walking and cycling networks in Wantage and Grove.

We support this LCWIP.