

CMD Transport (18 June 2026) –Micromobility Contract (Danny Yee)

We are pleased to see the new micromobility contract coming forward and happy that many of our suggestions have been taken on board.

Better management of parking will be most welcome: more bays and restriction of parking to those, capping and monitoring of them, and shifting them off footways and onto the carriageway wherever possible. These changes should largely remove the problems arising from floating cycle parking and greatly reduce the problems from poorly sited or overflowing bays.

This will improve the pedestrian experience in many places, but these measures should also, if properly done, improve the experience for micromobility users, making it easier to reliably find a scooter or bike to start a trip and easier to leave it when finishing one.

For this to work, however, the county -- and supportive private landowners such as the universities and NHS trusts -- need to provide enough parking bays, in the right places. We look forward to working with the county on this, taking advantage of the local knowledge of our members and supporters.

It is also good to see the scheme being expanded to include Kennington and Botley and Kidlington -- and presumably all the Park and Rides. This will help provide options for people affected by the traffic filters.

And we look forward to the trials in Bicester and Science Vale starting next year. We are also hoping to see a dramatic increase in fleet size -- we think Oxford could support a combined fleet of over two thousand e-scooters and e-bikes. It would be good to have more data transparency, so we can track how trip numbers are changing over time, track problem locations, and so forth.