

DERBY CYCLING GROUP

AGM – September 2026

Welcome and Introductions
Minutes of the last AGM
Formal election of officers
Review of the Year
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Election of Officers

Treasurer: James Bailey

Committee Members: Martin Aldred,
Jean Baird, Ian Dent, Tony Gordon,
Tony Roelich

Chair, Secretary – no nominees

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Successes



Nutbrook Trail Closure... and opening



- New NCN67 route now open through New Stanton Park.
- Fully traffic-free and avoids busy lorry junction.
- Old route closed; diversion signs should be ignored.
- New route is not signposted but easy to follow.
- Temporary fencing remains until development is complete.
- Improved route delivered after delays and enforcement pressure including DCG presenting at planning meeting.

Successes



Smart Parc - Spondon

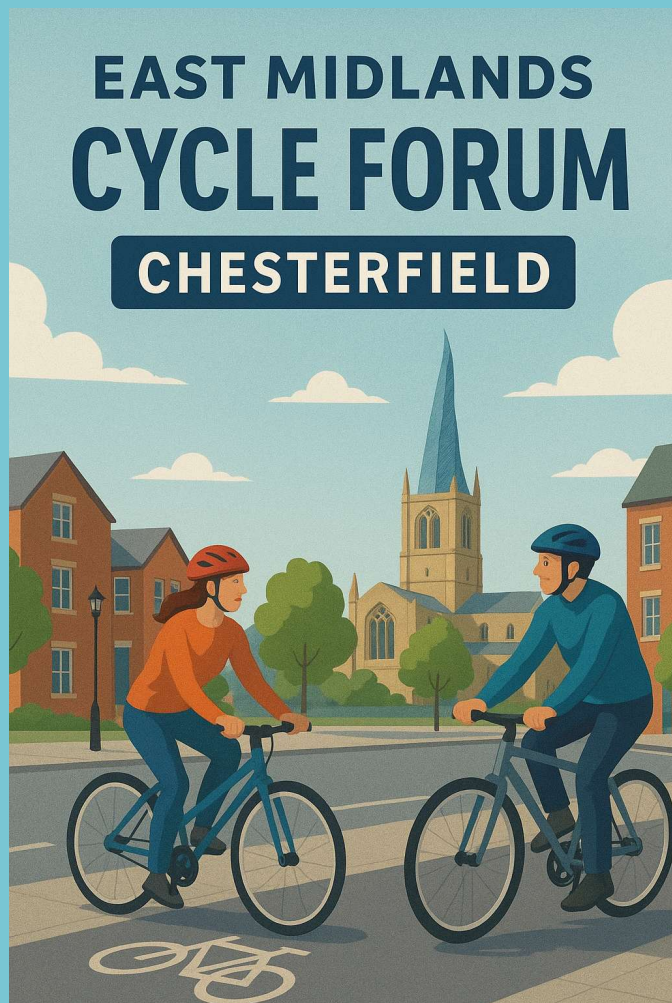
- Links Fernhook Avenue (and the Riverside path) with Celanese Road near Spondon railway station.
- 3-metre-wide, tarmac-and-loose-stone surface, benches, litter bins, and newly planted trees.
- Opening was delayed by nearby construction work.
- Barriers at both ends are intended to slow cyclists
- Spondon – Alvaston alternative to Raynesway



Successes



EMCF - Chesterfield



- Jean gave a talk on behalf of Derby Cycling Group
- Overview of goings-on in Leicester, Nottingham and Chesterfield
- Adrian Hill outlined ATE priorities: ratings, consultations, funding, infrastructure connectivity.
- Mikey Cottle from Cycling UK highlighted regional cycling support initiatives.
- James Hatchett National Cycle Network upgraded through infrastructure improvements.
- Guided tour of Chatsworth Road Cycleway

Ongoing...

Spondon Island

- Local engagement
- Not a signal-controlled junction
- Signal Controlled crossings



Successes



EMR – Bikes on Trains

- New Aurora trains already entering service
- No further changes to bike storage layout
- Improved bike area with better hooks and more space
- Folding bikes fit in larger luggage racks
- Bike spaces must be pre-booked one day ahead
- Eight Cycle Hubs offer secure storage and changing facilities



What didn't go well...



Derby Climate Coalition Forum Road Safety

- Forum with Derby Climate Coalition and City Council's head of traffic and transportation.- June 2026
- The speaker dominated proceedings with lengthy responses, limiting opportunities for questioning, scrutiny, and discussion of key issues.
- Responsibility for poor KSI (Killed or Seriously Injured) figures was repeatedly attributed to external factors without providing clear evidence or outlining meaningful solutions.
- Concerns raised by road safety campaigners and network users were dismissed, with engagement redirected to neighbourhood forums and councillors rather than highways officers.



What didn't go well...



Active Travel Rating

- Published December 2025
- General acceptance of poor quality LCWIP across region with no apparent plans to update LCWIP.
- Derby – 1
- Derbyshire – 2 (Up from 1 in 2024)
- Nottingham – 3
- Nottinghamshire – 2 (Up from 1 in 2024)
- Leicester – 3
- Leicestershire – 1
- “Some local leadership and organisational capability with basic plans and isolated schemes that do not yet form a plan for a coherent network.”
- Despite £60m Transforming Cities Funding Derby is in the lower half of 80 local authorities.



What didn't go well...



Duffield Road

- Council discussions about illegal parking on Duffield Road have been ongoing for years without success.
- Lack of enforcement has led drivers to feel they can ignore yellow line restrictions near schools.
- The Council acknowledges the issue but says enforcement is "complicated".
- No effective solution has been identified despite more than nine years of concerns.
- Illegal parking contributes to congestion, blocked cycle lanes, and safety risks for cyclists.
- Residents are urged to contact elected representatives and press for a practical solution.

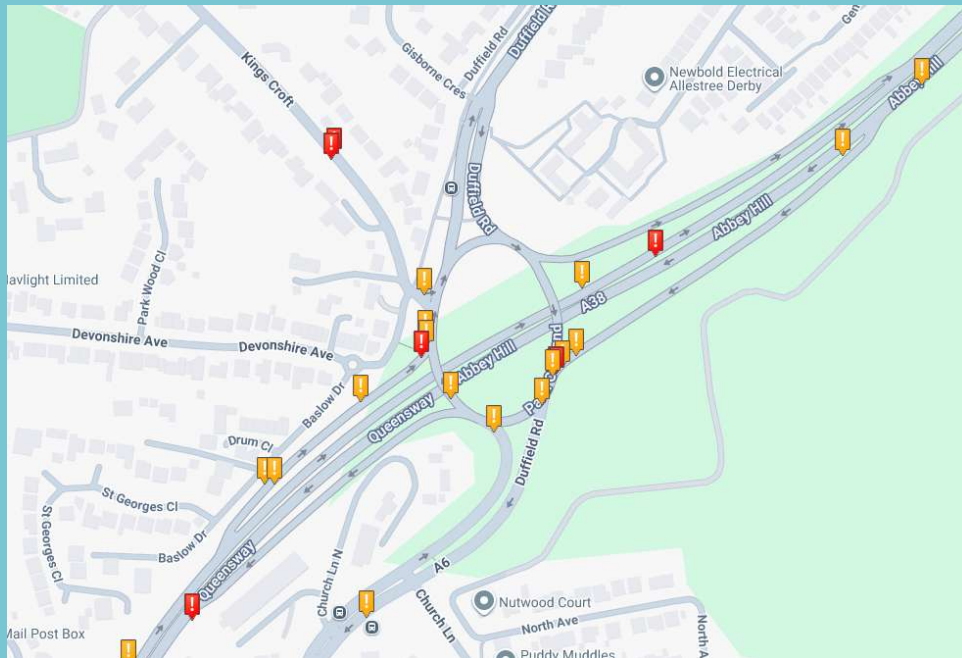


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Palm Court Island

- Dangerous junction for cyclists and pedestrians
- Key route between Duffield and Derby
- Multiple injury collisions recorded (2020 to 2024)
- Cyclist injuries overlooked by council
- High-speed slip roads create major risks
- Poor accessibility for disabled users and pram



Work in progress...



City Centre “No cycling” campaign

- Key East-West route – No cycling at anytime
- Limited North South Routes during the day
- Witness careful cyclists penalised, careless cyclist evading capture.
- DCG asked for clarity and a rationalisation of prohibitions
- Conversations with council officials

CYCLING IN DERBY CITY CENTRE

NO CYCLING 10AM–5PM
(WHERE SIGNED)

GET OFF – AND WALK YOUR BIKE
In pedestrian zones in the city centre, cycling is **NOT PERMITTED** during these hours. Please walk your bike through busy streets.

WHY THIS MATTERS
City centre footways get very busy. Walking your bike helps prevent collisions and near-misses. It protects children, older people, and wheelchair users.

KEY
■ NO CYCLING 10AM–5PM
■ NO CYCLING AT ANY TIME
□ CYCLING ALLOWED AT ANY TIME

ST PETERS STREET PEDESTRIAN ZONE
No vehicles
Except cycles & for loading 5 pm - 10 am
At any time

CHECK SIGNS AT ENTRANCES TO PEDESTRIAN STREETS
Restrictions vary by street. Always follow the on-street signage.

Work in progress...



London Road

- Work started on London Road
- Supports a greener, cleaner Derby.
- Aims to boost active travel.
- New cycle and pedestrian routes.
- Improved bus stops and traffic priority.
- Works designed to minimise disruption



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Thank you

Questions • Discussion • Next steps

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To investigate...

Chellaston Road Junction

- Completed over the summer
- “A boost for sustainable travel”
- “New cycle lanes and crossings will also boost connectivity for active travel users on the route”

