
June 6th, 2016

Attn: Civic Works Committee

On behalf of the Cycling Advisory Committee, we would like to give this letter of support for the work being done in regards to the Thames Valley Parkway North Branch Gap project.

During the budget process our committee presented this project as a top priority for cycling in the city for its potential to enhance activity and increase rider safety.

The Thames Valley Parkway is one of London's premium assets, quite unique in the province. It improves the quality of life of all that use it and attracts not only youth, but people of all ages involved in a full spectrum of activities, not the least of which is cycling. Of all the cycling facilities the City provides, none compare to the levels of use the TVP achieves. Closing this gap will open a number of neighbourhoods to not only safe routes to nearby schools and business, but to the entire parkway.

In particular we'd like to applaud the thorough engagement and environmental assessment process. It has set the bar to a level we hope to see more of.

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