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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Dundas Bike Lanes

Hi Elizabeth,

I wanted to share some concerns around the proposal for Dundas Street.

First, I'm thankful that the city is thinking about how to get cyclists moving through downtown. It's a major gap and the fact that they are thinking of plans to close this gap is very exciting.

I do see a great safety concern for this plan, however.

The cycle track needs to be protected. As the plan stands, cyclists are put in danger of traffic and parking. The cycle lane, paint only, is in the door area of parking putting cyclists in danger of both traffic crossing paint and driver's exiting their vehicles. This could be solved easily with protected lanes, like the one we see in King Street (sadly for only 31 more days.) Cyclists should have dedicated space that is safe for all riders from traffic.

Could we not put the two way cycle track on one side and parking on the other? (I would argue we don't even need parking, but I still believe we can do both safely.) This way we could protect the cycle lanes and separate it completely from traffic.

What we have on King is brilliant. It's safe and it's effective. Why are we not replicating it?

As designed, Dundas is unsafe and we can do better. We need to be better. We need this cycling access, but we need it to be safe.

Please consider adding protected lanes to keep all Londoners safe.

Thanks,

Justin Riedstra