



To: Business Coordination Board

From: Chief Constable

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ROAD SAFETY

1. Introduction

- 1.1 This paper updates the Business Coordination Board on the Constabulary's response to issues of local concern which have been brought to the attention of the Police and Crime Commissioner.
- 1.2 This paper focusses on concern raised by residents in the north of Cambridge regarding cyclists riding on 'pedestrian only' footpaths and consequently avoiding traffic lights.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 The Business Coordination Board are invited to note this paper.

3. Recent Activity

- 3.1 Following recent enforcement days carried out in the local area in the autumn, over 40 cyclists were given fixed penalty notices. Earlier this month Cambridge Magistrates upheld this activity by giving a criminal record to one man who chose to fight his case by claiming that there was inadequate signage to the footpath. Signage is to be improved as a result.

4. Current Activity - Operation Pedalo

- 4.1 An operation was launched in Cambridge on 17th December to tackle anti-social cycling on the streets of Cambridge. The aim of the operation is to reduce road deaths and casualties amongst cyclists, reduce cycle crime and anti-social cycling in the city. 'Operation Pedalo' is seeing officers and Specials educating and enforcing anti-social cycling and cycling offences to make Cambridge safer for all road users and clamp down on crime.
- 4.2 Officers and Specials will be patrolling hot spot areas in uniform and plain clothes, to reduce cycle crime, check points for lighting and pavement offences. Officers will also be patrolling around the city on marked cycles to

catch offenders in the act. Officers will also be patrolling at traffic light junctions looking out for those who commit red-light offences.

- 4.3 The Lights Instead of Tickets (LIT) scheme will be in action during Operation Pedalo, the scheme gives those caught riding without lights seven days to buy new lights to avoid paying the fine. This is intended to be reinforced as an educational and enforcement tool.

5. Recommendation

- 5.1 The Business Coordination Board are invited to note this paper.

BIBLIOGRAPHY

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