# Consultation: A329 Reading **Road Active Travel Scheme**

# Sadler's Lane to Emmbrook Road

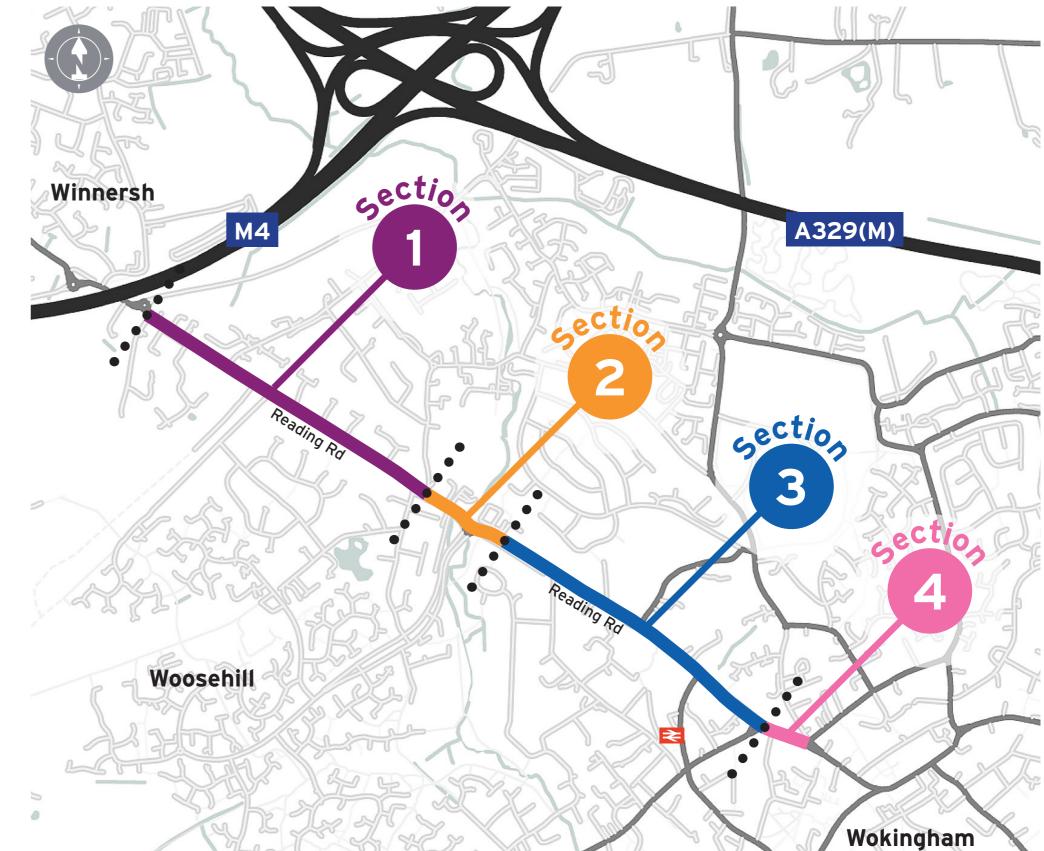
Wokingham Borough Council has been awarded funds to design improvements for walking and cycling along the A329 Reading Road from Sadler's Lane to Wokingham Town Centre.

This is being designed in 4 sections. We are consulting on the first of these, which is between Sadler's Lane and Emmbrook Road.

### Why do we want to improve our Active Travel routes in Wokingham?

More than a quarter of commuting trips in Wokingham Borough are under 5km (three miles), yet more than 70 per cent of these shorter trips are made by car.

These journeys provide the biggest opportunity to swap driving for active, healthy and cheaper alternatives and we



want to help you make the most of them.









## Why Reading Road?

This is one of the key routes identified in our borough-wide Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) which we consulted on last year.

You told us that this section of Reading Road feels unsafe, it's difficult to cross the road, there isn't enough protected space for cyclists and you're worried about traffic speeds.

### What are we proposing?

A one-way segregated cycle track on each side of Reading Road. The proposed cycle track is 2m wide (narrowing to 1.8m where necessary) and is stepped above the level of the road and below the level of the pavement. Below are examples of potential layouts for the key features along the route.

### **Other key features are:**

A speed limit reduction from 40mph to 30mph to improve safety.



Side road junction improvements on both sides, including raised crossings to give cyclists priority and make it easier for pedestrians to cross.



Replacing traffic islands on Reading Road, between Sadler's Lane and Aspen Place, with toucan (signalised pedestrian and cycle) crossings and sections of shared-use path.



New bus stop layouts, with the cycle track routed behind them to separate motor traffic from cyclists. Informal zebra crossings would be installed to give bus users priority over cycle.



# Please view the plans and take our short survey by 22nd October.

For help completing the survey, or to view it in an alternative format, please call us on 0118 974 6000



https://engage.wokingham.gov.uk/en-GB/projects/a329-cycle-pedestrian-improvements

