



ROUTE AUDIT



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Observations		
Location	Comment	Photo
Junction of IDR and Stanshawe Road	Route signs are badly positioned and are not easily viewed by cyclists approaching from Stanshawe Road.	
Junction of IDR and Stanshawe Road	Poor road condition in junction.	
Great Knollys Street	At the constriction, no priority indications are present.	



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Junction of Great Knollys Street and George Street	Signs are clearly positioned.	
Junction of George Street and Oxford Road	The route crosses Oxford Road, making use of a Toucan crossing. This is not ideal, because of the potential conflict with pedestrians walking along the Oxford Road, but is probably the best solution for this junction. Travelling in this direction the route signs are easy to see, but the cycle marking on the ground is quite worn.	



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Location	Comment	Photo
Junction of Prospect Street and Tilehurst Road	The route marking is a sticker on a lamp post, and is not easy to see. A proper sign should be used. (Stickers are more suitable for route "reinforcement": giving the cyclist confidence that (s)he's on the correct route, not for route signing.)	
Junction of Tilehurst Road and Brownlow Road	For the outbound route, it would be better to turn into Maitland Road rather than Brownlow Road, as this provides an earlier turning off Tilehurst Road.	



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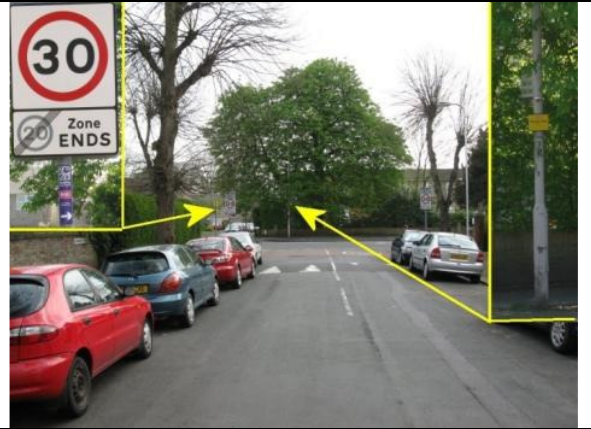

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Location	Comment	Photo
Junction of Tilehurst Road and Brownlow Road	There's clear signing for this turning.	
Junction of Brownlow Road and Downshire Square	No signing is evident at the turning. Once the turn has been made, there is route reinforcement in the form of a sticker on a lamp post.	



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Junction of Downshire Square and Bath Road	Again, the indication of the turn is a sticker on a lamp post. A proper sign, located a short distance down Bath Road at the pedestrian crossing, would be more conveniently located on the lamp post which is clearly visible to cyclists approaching from Downshire Square.	
Junction of Downshire Square and Bath Road	This is a tricky junction to negotiate, and may be somewhat daunting for cyclists who are not confident of their ability. Recognising this, the route planners seem to expect cyclists to use the nearby pedestrian crossing to make this turn: thus the sign post is opposite the crossing. However, there's no indication that the cyclist is recommended to use the crossing. (Even so, the sign would be better placed as described in the previous observation, where all cyclists could see it.)	
Bath Road	The Reading Cycle Map indicates there should be an on-road cycleway	



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	/ shared bus lane in this direction. It's actually in the opposite direction. For the last section of Bath Road, the Reading Cycle Map indicates an off-road cycle path; we were unable to see any markings of such a path.	
Junction of Bath Road and Southcote Lane	A route sign is present, but it's difficult to see on the approach to the turn.	



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Southcote Lane	Poor road surface.	
Roundabout at Southcote Lane and Circuit Lane	The route sign is badly positioned.	



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Location	Comment	Photo
Junction of Coronation Square and Southcote Lane	Here, the route sign is clearly positioned.	
Roundabout at Southcote Lane and Circuit Lane	The route sign is a sticker on a lamp post and is difficult to see.	



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Location	Comment	Photo
Roundabout at Southcote Lane and Bath Road	The route sign is a sticker on a post and is difficult to see.	
Roundabout at Southcote Lane and Bath Road	This is a tricky junction to negotiate: the cyclist is required to cross the line of traffic to get into the right hand lane for the turn; it's on an incline; there are two lanes of traffic approaching from the right (traffic supposedly turning left into Southcote Lane may not do so). Inexperienced cyclists may prefer an easier option to be indicated for them.	



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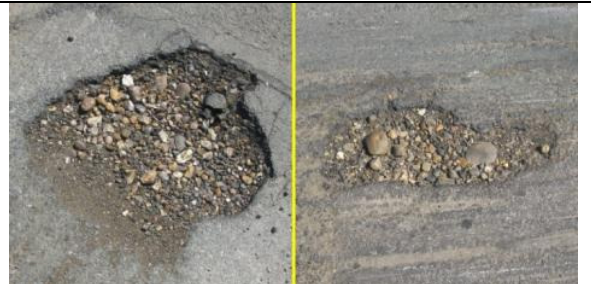

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Location	Comment	Photo
Junction of Bath Road and Downshire Square	The route sign is at a pedestrian crossing a short distance before the turn, but is on the wrong side of the road and partially obscured by trees. It's very difficult to spot.	
Junction of Downshire Square and Brownlow Road	There is no route indicator. (The arrow on a lamp post points in the correct direction but does not seem to be a Cycle Route sign.)	



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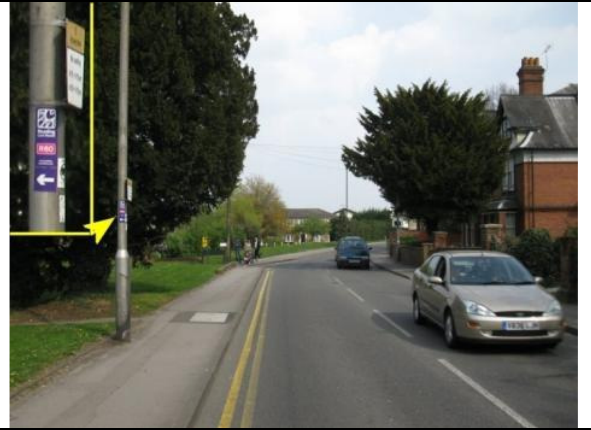

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Location	Comment	Photo
Brownlow Road	Very poor surface conditions.	
Junction of Brownlow Road and Tilehurst Road	The turn is clearly signposted.	



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Junction of Tilehurst Road and Prospect Street	The route sign is a sticker on a lamp post and is very easy to miss.	
Junction of Prospect Street and Oxford Road	Approaching from Prospect Street, the R60 route sign on the opposite side of Oxford Road is next to invisible. Despite the No Entry sign, it may not be immediately apparent to cyclists that they're intended to filter round to the left and use the Toucan crossing.	



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Location	Comment	Photo
Junction of Great Knollys Street and IDR	The cycle entry into Stanshawe Road makes for an unconventional line when crossing from Great Knollys Street. The entry is only just wide enough for some cycles and requires care when entering — Reading Borough Council should not make cycle routes any narrower than this!	