

Piccadilly – Proposal to reduce the size of the taxi rank and install cycle parking

With many more people choosing to cycle into York, this has led to significant shortages in the number of available cycle parking spaces (especially during the day). There has been an increasing demand for new, convenient and well-located cycle parking, especially as the shortages have led to greater incidences of bicycles being locked to lamp-posts and railings – which can cause obstructions to pedestrians and has the effect of making the city look cluttered and untidy (indeed, this has been one of the issues raised within recent Reinvigorate York studies). This becomes self-evident when considering the amount of bikes which are locked to the guard-railing at the junction of Piccadilly / Pavement / Coppergate.

With this increased demand for cycle parking in this area, following a walkaround of the area in question by myself, Cllr Merrett and Alistair Briggs, we are proposing a reduction to the length of the existing taxi bay on Piccadilly, outside the White Swan Hotel (currently space for 4 taxis) by half (to 2) - as it is little used - and provide a bank of sheffield hoops in the space taken from the bay.

The police have stated that this location is their favoured site for any new large banks of cycle parking.



Install
15x sheffield hoops
(parking for 30 cycles)
*Requires 50%
reduction in size of
(little utilised) taxi bay*



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