

Advisory Committee of Council Memo



Date	January 31, 2025
To	Accessibility Advisory Committee
From	Benita van Miltenburg
Service Area	Infrastructure, Development and Environment
Department	Transportation Planning
Subject	College Ave at Edinburgh Rd Protected Intersection is complete

Purpose

To follow up on previous presentations related to the College Avenue cycletracks and specifically the protected intersection at College Avenue and Edinburgh Road.

Memo message

This memo is to inform all members of the Accessibility Advisory Committee that construction of the College Avenue at Edinburgh Road protected intersection is now complete. While some final features have yet to be installed (such as green thermoplastic paint) the intersection is open and functioning as intended for all road users.

The cycletracks and sidewalks on College on either side of Edinburgh are mostly complete, however some final paving and pavement markings are still anticipated. The College at Edinburgh westbound stop (#155) is still under construction. Contractors encountered issues on site and the project team will be working through finalizing those details over the course of the winter, for implementation in the spring. Some of the feedback AAC members previously shared which was integrated into the design for this project includes:

Measures to remind cyclists to yield at all transit stops:

- Signage, directing cyclists to yield to pedestrians at transit stops
- A yield pavement marking (small triangles called sharks teeth) directing cyclists to yield the right of way in front of all ladder crossings of the cycletrack
- Narrowing of the cycletrack at the approach to transit stops

Winter maintenance:

- Special attention is being paid to this location to ensure it can be maintained for all users during all seasons
- City of Guelph Operations crews are adjusting their equipment and practices as required to ensure maintenance is completed correctly. We anticipate this may take one or two seasons, but no issues at this location have been flagged to staff thus far

Staff are now proceeding with the detailed design of College Avenue Phase II (University Ave to east of Gordon Street). This will include a protected intersection at College and Gordon, following similar design standards to the intersection at College and Edinburgh. Staff welcome any thoughts or feedback based on experiences at College and Edinburgh, which can be integrated into the design for College at Gordon. Benita van Miltenburg will be attending the April 15th AAC meeting to receive comments verbally, or they can be emailed at any time to Benita.vanMiltenburg@guelph.ca.

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