

Appendix E - Extract from Abbey Fields Consultation Report "Fields for our Future"

1. Please give your thoughts on Cycling at Abbey Fields?

Of the **790** people that responded to this question with comment, there were 3 categories of response

Those in favour of cycling at Abbey Fields: 633 respondents

Example of comments below

- I am a keen cyclist and would like to see a cycle path through Abbey Fields to avoid some of the busy town centre roads
- Cycling is an essential part of future travel needed in the climate emergency. It solves many of society's issues in terms of air quality, obesity, congestion and the negative impact of cars that can create community severance.
- We live in the west of town and going through the park is the main route to the green way. We always cycle through respecting pedestrians, as it is the safest route with primary school age children. Parks should be a great place for children to learn to cycle. Abbey fields is a key link in being able to cycle safely into town for lots of people.
- Please allow cycling through abbey fields and ensure joined up cycle routes so that we can move around the town on a bike. This is particularly important for young children

Of the **633** respondents in favour of Cycling at Abbey Fields there is a clear view that a separate Cycle Path is needed for Abbey Fields as the existing path infrastructure is not wide enough to allow safe dual usage.

Those Against cycling at Abbey Fields:149 respondents

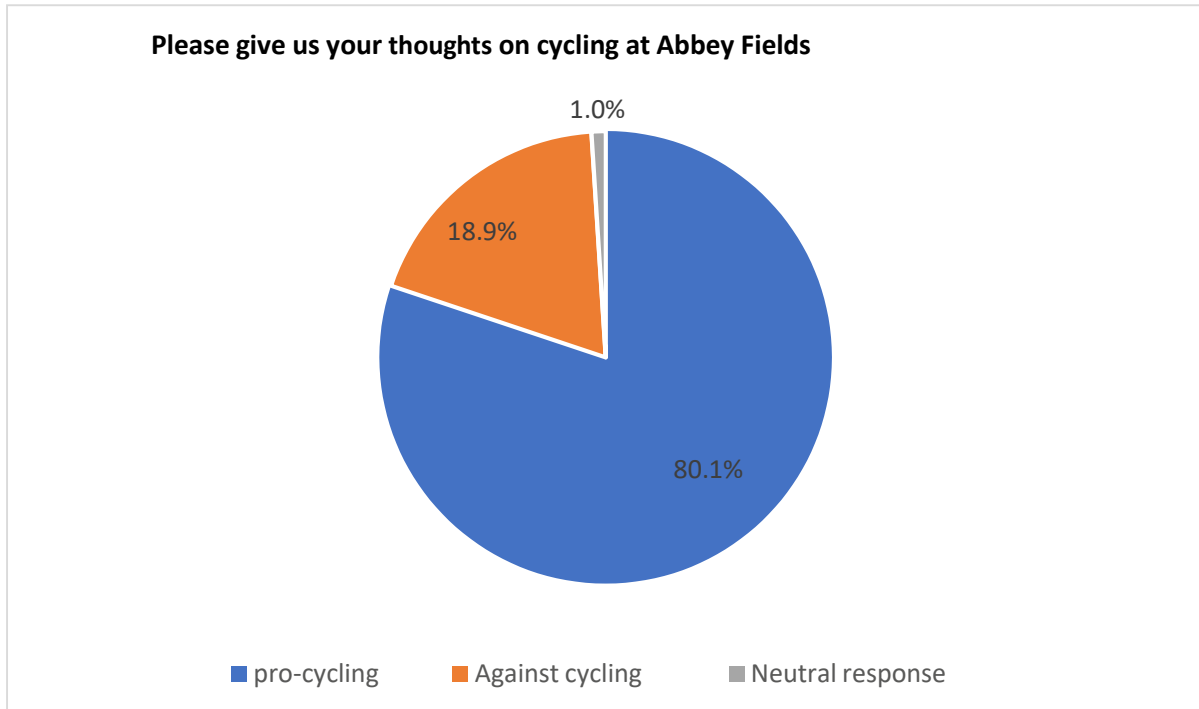
Example of comments below

- Do not allow cycling as it is a danger to walkers and children.
- I believe a cycle route should run around the eastern / south eastern side of the park... linking Castle Farm to the green way... but not through the middle of the park!
- I am a cyclist but believe Abbey Fields should remain cycle free.
- No bikes in/through the centre of the Fields due to children playing and walkers.
Perhaps a cycle path that connects the Greenway to the town centre avoiding the busy roads that runs discreetly up one side of the park.
- Do not allow. Cyclists can push their bikes for that short distance.
- A recipe for disaster! Will change AF forever losing the environmental qualities and peaceful attributes that reside there now

Neutral (neither in favour nor Against Cycling in Abbey Fields):8 respondents

Example of comments below

- Neither for nor against really
- I'm not sure
- Kenilworth and Abbey Advisory Committee (KAAC) is neutral on the issue of Cycling at Abbey Fields



112 people skipped answering this question