

**Lancashire County Council (Coulston Road, Lancaster, Lancaster City)  
(Pedestrian Crossing)**

Legal Reference: LSG4/894.19555/AFR

The purpose of the proposed zebra crossing on Coulston Road is to provide safer road crossing facilities and improve links for pedestrians and cyclists between the proposed residential development and the existing amenities and bus stops on the southern side of Coulston Road.

Following formal consultation one comment was received relating to the location of the proposed crossing raising concern that the proximity of the planned zebra crossing to the junction with Golgotha Road and Cork Road could cause some issues stating the following:

- That traffic is often single-file for the bottomed half of Coulston Road (below Cork) and there is often traffic queuing at that intersection, on Coulston Road and on Cork Road.
- That due to the parking at the top of Cork Road sometimes it can take some time to get out of Cork Road and that it is not an easy junction to see out of.

The respondent acknowledges that the white lines around the zebra crossing may make it easier to see, if fewer cars are parked nearby. However, feels that the crossing would be just as well used to access the University of Cumbria and school foot traffic to secondary and primary schools if it was located further up near to 116 Coulston Road, which they believe would not add as much pressure on the congested junction.

**Officer Comments**

The crossing has been located on the desire line and on the cycle network between the University of Cumbria and Lancaster University. In addition, this location also provides benefit to the residents to access bus stops and amenities as well as for students attending the adjacent education premises.

The location of the zebra crossing was conditioned as part of the planning approval for the adjacent development and is located here to serve the wider use than it would be if this was to be located near to 116 Coulston Road.

The zebra crossing should not have a significant detrimental effect on traffic flows in this area, but this does provide a significant better and safer way for pedestrians and cyclists to cross Coulston Road at this location.

The design has also been considered by an independent safety auditor who did not raise any concerns with regards to the location of the crossing as part of the Stage 1 and 2 Road Safety Audit. A further Stage 3 Road Safety Audit will be undertaken on completion of the works.

There were no objections received to the zebra crossing from the residential properties near the proposed crossing after the consultation was carried which involved posting notices on site at this location.