



Your **Cycling** Connection



Safety Concerns for 272 Street (24 Ave to 28 Ave) – Active Travel Route

Dear Mayor

HUB Cycling Langley encourages the Township of Langley to review and improve the safety of the active travel route along 272 Street in the area between 24 Avenue and 28 Avenue.

As a key connection between the new Aldergrove Town Centre and Aldergrove Regional Park, the 272 Street corridor has great potential as a safe and accessible active travel route, particularly for families and children visiting the parks from surrounding areas. Additionally, several schools—including Parkside and Shortreed Community Schools, Aldergrove Community Secondary, and Betty Gilbert Middle School—are located nearby. With improved infrastructure, students and their families could more easily and safely commute by bicycle or scooter.

Currently, 272 Street, particularly on the east side between 24 Avenue and 28 Avenue, lacks a proper shoulder, often forcing cyclists into traffic (see Photos 1 and 2 below). The continuous yellow centerline may also discourage drivers from crossing into the opposite lane to pass cyclists at the legally required 1.5-meter distance, leading to unsafe passing. Furthermore, this road often has vehicles overtaking slower vehicles such as farm equipment, mobility scooters and bikes, creating a hazardous situation. In addition, what little shoulder that exists (in some cases just a few inches) is often obstructed by debris, poor maintenance, and utility infrastructure, further forcing cyclists into the roadway.

As a result, we urge the Township to assess and improve the safety of the east side of the 272 Street route between 24 Avenue and 28 Avenue. This limited section of road is a serious bottleneck for safe family cycling between Aldergrove Town Centre and Aldergrove Regional Park and could be addressed at limited cost. In the longer term, as part of the Transportation and Mobility Strategy, 272 Street should include a safe and separated bike lane for both northbound and southbound bicycle traffic and other active transportation modes such as scooters, electric mobility devices and pedestrians to connect the Aldergrove Town Centre and Aldergrove Regional Park.

We would also like to suggest that the Township use this stretch of road to install signage to remind drivers of the [1.5 m safe passing law enacted in June 2024](#). We suggest signage along this route that alerts drivers to the new law and the safe distance required.

We would appreciate the opportunity to meet at the site to show our specific concerns and suggested solutions to the Mayor, Councillors, and Township staff.

Sincerely,
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PHOTO 1: Looking North on 272 Street at 24 Avenue



PHOTO 2: Looking North on 272 Street, North of 24 Avenue

