Online Comment

Application	H16-0521-23
Location	Land North of B1173 Barrier Bank and West of A16 Spalding (Lincs Gateway) Spalding
Proposal	Erection of buildings to comprise up to 70,000 square metres (Gross Internal Area) of Class B8 (storage or distribution) floorspace to include ancillary Class E(g) (office) floorspace and provision of associated infrastructure including utilising existing vehicular access from B1173. Outline with means of access to be considered.

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For/Against	Comments

From PEDALS (Spalding's Cycle Action Group)
1. PEDALS welcomes the developer's stated intention to encourage active travel to the site through providing new pedestrian and cycle links which connect to the existing network.
2. The route for employees actively travelling from the direction of Little London will be along the B1173 as far as Burr Lane. Pedestrians and those using scooters and wheelchairs will be obliged to use the existing footway, and cyclists will be obliged to use the road. The footway is narrow, poorly surfaced and impassable in places. The road is fast (60mph limit), carries heavy traffic, and has no provision for the segregation of cycles.
3. We note that these concerns are recognised in the Transport Statement and are being discussed with LCC. We urge that any solution to the problem is engineered to a high standard as required by the DfT.
4. Catering outlets at the handy 'Applegreen' services will probably be attractive to employees. To access the facilities they will need cross the B1173 on an uncontrolled crossing. To protect them, a 30mph limit should be imposed, starting at the exit from the A16. To protect vulnerable road users at what will be an increasingly busy Little London end of the B1173 a further lowering of the speed limit to 20mph should be considered.
5. PEDALS wishes to draw attention to the existence of a public bridleway (New River Drove) which leads from near Little London bridge to 'Applegreen' services. This drove road, if enhanced through suitable surfacing and the creation of less than 100 metres of linkage alongside the A1175, could provide an attractive, traffic-free route to the site.
6. Finally, through its 'on the ground' local knowledge of cycling in Spalding, PEDALS wishes to freely offer its help and support to the site developers, SHDC and LCC in their ongoing discussions on the provision of active travel facilities.