



# TOWN OF WINDSOR

## FACT SHEET

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**SUBJECT:** BICYCLE LANES IN WINDSOR

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**Q:** This is great, thank you for the opportunity 😊

**I'd like to know about bicycle lane plans for the bicycle commuters in town. Can we expect to see bike lanes? And if so around when? And what would it look like...are there any purposed ideas or committees on the subject?**

**A:**

- There are currently no plans for bicycle lanes anywhere inside the town because most of the street right-of-ways are much too narrow to safely provide a separate lane.
- However, the Town does want to be a bicycle-friendly town and promotes and educates in regards to the “Share the Road” concept; and, the Town has signs posted along typical bike routes that depict typical bicycle rider situations that commuters can expect on our roads.
- The signs are described as follows...the first one is a yellow diamond shaped sign with a vehicle in black silhouette and a cyclist next to the curb sharing the road; the second sign depicts a vehicle in black silhouette with a cyclist depicted driving in the middle of the lane ahead of the lane vehicle. Both are self-explanatory signs.
- The Town also encourages cyclists to use the growing network of “AT” (Active Transportation) Trails throughout the region. A map of these trails in the town of Windsor can be found at <https://www.town.windsor.ns.ca/recreation.html>.
- The Town is a member of the Avon Region Active Transportation Working Group, in which the membership is made up of staff from both the Municipality of West Hants and the Town of Windsor, staff from other Government organizations such as NS Transportation & Infrastructure Renewal (NSTIR), the RCMP, other organizations including the NS Cancer Society, plus a number of interested citizens from both West Hants and Windsor. This group has developed a Regional “Active Transportation Plan” (aka ‘AT Plan”); which can be found on the Town of Windsor website at the web link provided above.
- The committee actively communicates with Bicycle Nova Scotia (BNS) and NSTIR in regards to a Provincial “Blue Route” for cyclists among others things. Blue Route information is available on the web link provided above.

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