



<b>Subject:</b>	Minister for Infrastructure Response - Belfast Cycle Network's Ravenhill Road Scheme
<b>Date:</b>	15th April, 2026
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<b>Restricted Reports</b>	
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<b>Call-in</b>	
<b>Is the decision eligible for Call-in?</b>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report/Summary of Main Issues</b>
1.1	To update Members on a response received from the Minister for Infrastructure in relation to the Belfast Cycle Network's Ravenhill Road Scheme.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>
2.1	The Committee is asked to note the response received from the Minister for Infrastructure.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>
3.1	At the City Growth and Regeneration Committee meeting on 14th January 2026, the Committee considered a response from the Department for Infrastructure in relation to the Belfast Cycle Network's Ravenhill Road Scheme.
3.2	<p>The Committee agreed to write to the Minister for Infrastructure to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• request that, should any trees be felled as part of the scheme, all trees removed are replaced with semi-mature trees at a ratio of three new trees for every one tree felled;</li> <li>• seek assurance that a pedestrian crossing at the Ardenlee Avenue junction on the Ravenhill Road would be delivered as part of the scheme;</li> <li>• request that double yellow lines be installed on the corners of the streets off the Ravenhill Road, as part of the scheme, to help prevent obstructive parking;</li> <li>• request that the Department proactively engage and consult with local schools, as part of the scheme's consultation process, to ascertain how best the scheme could promote safe and active travel for children to school;</li> <li>• request an update on the Lagan Pedestrian and Cycle Bridge; and</li> <li>• request that the Department engages with the Council in respect of the potential for the Department to support the installation of lighting infrastructure across all Council Parks within the city.</li> </ul>
3.3	Correspondence has now been received from the Minister for Infrastructure (Appendix 1) which provides a response to each of the issues outlined within section 3.2.
3.4	<p><b><u>Financial and Resource Implications</u></b></p> <p>None associated with this report.</p>
3.5	<p><b><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment</u></b></p> <p>None associated with this report.</p>
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Appendices - Document Attached</b>
	Appendix 1 – Minister for Infrastructure Response – Belfast Cycle Network Ravenhill Road Scheme