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## USEFUL www. LINKS

### Cycling

[norwichcyclingcampaign.org](http://norwichcyclingcampaign.org)  
[eastangliancc.org](http://eastangliancc.org)  
[cycleweb.co.uk](http://cycleweb.co.uk)  
[whycle.co.uk](http://whycle.co.uk)  
[bikeweek.org.uk](http://bikeweek.org.uk)  
[bikeforall.net](http://bikeforall.net)  
[biceberg.es/INGLES/index.htm](http://biceberg.es/INGLES/index.htm)  
[cyclenetwork.org.uk](http://cyclenetwork.org.uk)  
[ctc.org.uk](http://ctc.org.uk)  
[Eurovelo.org](http://Eurovelo.org)  
[ecf.com/discover/index.htm](http://ecf.com/discover/index.htm)  
[nationalcyclingstrategy.org.uk](http://nationalcyclingstrategy.org.uk)  
[socialcycling.org](http://socialcycling.org)  
[angliancyclist.org](http://angliancyclist.org)

Our very own website  
East Anglian Cycling Club  
Cycleweb cycling directory  
Whycle. Advice site  
2006 Bike week  
Bike For All  
Underground bike storage  
Cycle Campaign Network  
Cyclists Touring Club  
European Cycle Route network  
European Cyclists' Federation  
National Cycling Strategy  
Social Cycling  
Anglian Cyclist

### Other sites

[norfolk.gov.uk](http://norfolk.gov.uk)  
[norwichareatransport.org](http://norwichareatransport.org)  
[dft.gov.uk](http://dft.gov.uk)  
[norfolk.police.uk](http://norfolk.police.uk)  
[broads-authority.gov.uk](http://broads-authority.gov.uk)  
[transport2000.org.uk](http://transport2000.org.uk)  
[brake.org.uk](http://brake.org.uk)  
[onerailway.com](http://onerailway.com)  
[travelinesoutheast.org.uk](http://travelinesoutheast.org.uk)  
[firstgroup.com/ukbus/eastanglia](http://firstgroup.com/ukbus/eastanglia)  
[centraltrains.co.uk](http://centraltrains.co.uk)  
[greenhoustrust.co.uk](http://greenhoustrust.co.uk)  
[eveningnews24.co.uk](http://eveningnews24.co.uk)

Cover: Mary, a RiverCare volunteer, carting rubbish from the Wensum by Marriot's Way cycle path. (see p. 7)





# More Mutterings from Matthew

'Fair is foul, and foul is fair: Hover through the fog and filthy air.' Such was Shakespeare's description of cycling in Norwich, and assuming you have survived it pedalling through the winter months, you would no doubt agree with him. Give or take a bit of climate change, we will hopefully soon be able to put away the cagoules, leggings and capes... 'What are these, so withered, and so wild in their attire...?'

Stern look from Editor: Mr Muttering, kindly note this is not an English lesson, please get on with your article. 'The attempt and not the deed, confounds us'.

Indeed, couldn't have put it better. I would now refer the humble reader to items 4, 9, 13, 14, 18 and 20 of last newsletter's Mutterings agenda, by way of matters arising, sort of thing, Mr Chairman...

Modest rejoicing occurred following the City Council's response to our campaign for reinstatement of cycle parking on Gentleman's Walk. As a temporary measure, five stands fashioned from short scaffold poles have lately been installed, pending replacement with some flash cool permanent stands in a year or three's time. You can see from the photograph taken on a cold winter's day, a couple of weeks after they appeared, that there was indeed a certain 'demand' for these stands, as we had suggested. One feels that the council could have put in even more, but I suppose people would then only go and use them.



The antics on Millennium Plain never cease to amaze, and we're steadily building up a photographic dossier of the Forum Trust's ever more bizarre attempts to hinder 'cycling' on the cycle link between Bethel Street and Theatre Street, usually by encouraging motor vehicles to be placed all across the plain (photo) as a civilising influence on the savages.

Our correspondence about the gross deficiencies of the Earlham Green Lane 'cyclepath' blew up into a lengthy email exchange with the highways engineers. Suffice to say that the West Earlham traffic calming scheme was eventually given the go-ahead without sorting the Earlham Green Lane cycling problem, don't rock the boat kind of thing. 'What's done cannot be undone...' So please, dear reader, will you provide me with feedback on your ongoing experiences of life on this route if you are a regular user, to assist in our future campaigning on this and similar poor-quality paths. In connection with this work, Norwich Cycling Campaign has now felt obliged to object to a proposed conversion of the pelican crossing near Cadge Road to a toucan, on the grounds that the 'cyclepath' is not of an acceptable quality in terms of surfacing and continuity.



Back on the rejoicing, the King Street barrier (as shown in Newsletter 63) is no more. The fence was finally replaced (just before Hell froze over) by some tasteful bollards that do rather less damage as you cycle through them. The redundant pavement markings remain, but when was the last time we cyclists ever took notice of such things anyway?



