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Dear Resident

We are writing to tell you about proposals to introduce walking and cycling improvements along the A192 Preston Road and connecting streets to give you the opportunity to review the plans.

Working in partnership with

North Tyneside Council is committed to enabling more people to use active and sustainable forms of travel. The council, supported by its partner Capita, acquired funding from the Department for Transport's Transforming Cities Fund to improve sustainable travel links to Metro stations.

This scheme focuses on improving sustainable travel links between the A1058 Coast/Beach Road and North Shields town centre, including the new transport hub. It forms part of the strategic network of cycle routes throughout North Tyneside.

It also complements and ties into wider regeneration plans for North Shields and supports the local authority's ambition to work towards the borough being carbon net-zero by 2030.

Subject to factors such as the weather, we would expect works to commence in spring 2024. The proposals include:

• One-way cycle track constructed off-road on either side of the A192.

- Proposed toucan crossing on North Road, plus crossing upgrade on Preston Road, outside John Spence High School.
- Raised tables at side road junctions along the route.
- Combined pedestrian/cyclist crossing will be installed just south of junction with Preston Avenue.
- Creation of a signposted cycle route through residential areas starting from Preston Avenue towards North Shields town centre, via Blanchland Terrace and Drummond Terrace.

The above measures will provide a safe link for cyclists, including schoolchildren, between the town centre and the A1058 Coast Road.

The plans are available to view on the council's website - visit www.northtyneside.gov.uk and search 'A192 Preston Road: Healthy Links to Metros'. If you require printed copies of the plans, please contact the team via the details below.

If you have any queries regarding these works please contact us, and include your name and address, by email <u>sustainabletravel@northtyneside.gov.uk</u>, Tel: 0191 643 6500 or write to us using the postal address at the top of this letter.

If you need us to do anything differently (reasonable adjustments) to help you access our services, including providing this information in another language or format, please get in touch using the contact details above.

Yours faithfully, Sustainable Travel Team

