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2024/1397/P	Linus Rees	07/06/2024 08:11:50	SUPC	Our association is in support of this application for the siting of the cycle hire station along with a segregated cycle lane. The planting of trees is also supported. However, we would like to make the following comments:
				The footway that runs along Adeline Place on the western side between Great Russell Street and Bedford Avenue is driven over on a daily basis and several drivers park their vehicles next to the east facing elevation of the St Giles Hotel. Sometimes the vehicles are there all day and sometimes they are parked to make deliveries. We will send a photo separately as evidence of this.
				The carriageway on the western side of Adeline Place is also busy at times with drivers loading, unloading, or waiting and loitering in their vehicles.
				This planning application, and the details set out in the prior consultation for a cycle docking station, aims to improve cycling and walking in this area. But because of the driver behaviour noted above there is the potential for conflict with associated road danger from the movement of vehicles across the pavement. That is drivers are frequently presenting a danger to pedestrians and cyclists at this location. The siting on the loading bay in the proposed drawing would allow drivers ingress and egress to the footway. Drivers could also access the footway from the south and north side of this area from Great Russell Street and Bedford Avenue. This presents a threat of road danger from moving vehicles to pedestrians and cyclists and also the potential of parked vehicles obscuring sightlines through the two junctions at either end of this area.
				We suggest the application is amended to include measures to prevent incursions of the footway by drivers from either the loading bay or the other access points to the pavement we have described.
				Furthermore we are also concerned that the "door buffer zone" between the loading bay and cycle track/lane may not be sufficient to prevent conflict and a danger to cyclists at this location.
				We suggest the application is also amended to address our concern about this aspect.