2018 PeopleForBikes Tape Measure Tour NETHERLANDS

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Program Tour Background

Part of Big Jump Project

- ▶ Built from momentum of Green Lane Project (2011-2016)
- Grant-funded project for 10 cities to radically reimagine their bicycling infrastructure
- Cities: Memphis, Austin, Baltimore, Fort Collins, Los Angeles, NOLA, NYC, Portland, Providence, Tucson

Program Tour Overview

City Builders Symposium

- ► Hosted by PeopleForBikes since 2009
- Focuses on policy and concept development for communities
- Attended by Elected Officials, Executive Agency Staff, Community and Business Leaders, and Local Funders

Tape Measure Tour

- Inaugural event co-hosted with Portland State University's Initiative for Bicycle and Pedestrian Innovation (IBPI)
- Engineering and planning of bikeway design and transportation innovation
- Transportation Engineers and Urban Planners

Our Group

















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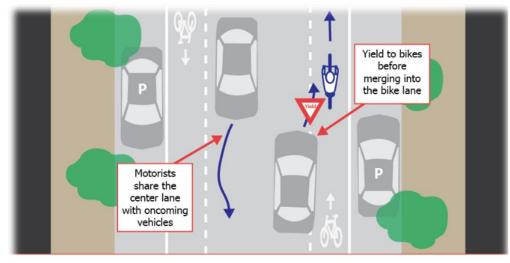


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Advisory Bike Lanes:

- Widely used in Europe
- Also present in Minneapolis, Hanover, Portland & Burlington



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Communicating from the pavement upward...





Rails to Trails...Alive and Well!





What do the Dutch do when a school is in the path of a bike/ped path?



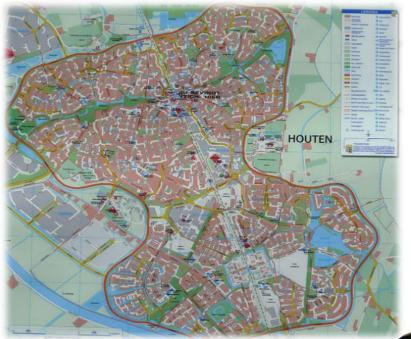


They buy the property they need and build the bike/ped path on top of the school!



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The city that is a mix between the...









The city center looks like this!



A road near the ring road...

- Short tangent sections to reduce speed
- More convenient to use bike when traveling across town





A picture of the ring road

- 70 kmh
- No bikes allowed















Bike parking is a huge problem!





A roundabout design on steroids!



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Aerial view of roundabout on steroids!



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A complex intersection indeed!





One country's innovation is another country's fading past.



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A different approach to controlled access!





Another example of communicating from the pavement upward...







Can you say multimodal?



...and again?



Biking for all ages and purposes...



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Amsterdam, we have a problem!



Key Takeaways



Takeaways

Network Principles

- Continuity: No Dead-End Connections
- ▶ Intuitive: Homogenous & Recognizable
- ▶ Direct: Path of Travel Minimizes Detours
- Priority: Separation Necessary & Deliberate
- Attractive: Appealing for All Ages & Abilities
- Forgiveness: Humans are Vulnerable & Make Mistakes

Mode Shift Principles

- Calm Arterial Roadways
- ▶ Take Space from Cars
- Make it Harder to Drive
- Create Connections to Transit
- Expand Bike Share Access

Takeaways

- Evaluate by network, not project
- Transport studies indicated the high wait times were not perceived in attractive facilities
- Important to set time limits on deliveries
- Develop a phased plan with acceptable changes for each project
- ► Focus on positive phrases to sell new concepts

Takeaways

Sustainable Safety Key Concepts

- Avoid Conflict in Direction
- Avoid Conflict in Congestion
- Avoid Conflict in Speed

Questions?

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