



## PARTICIPANT INFORMATION SHEET

Ethics Approval Reference: SOGE 1A-189

**DePICT: Designing and Policy Implementation for encouraging Cycling and walking Trips**

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### 1. *Background and aims of the study*

This study hopes to answer the following questions:

- What community-led walking and cycling infrastructures exist in London and where are they?
- What are the barriers and enablers discouraging or supporting these initiatives?
- Who gets involved, and in what capacity?
- What inspires the participants?
- What is the extent of the initiatives' influence and who benefits from them?
- How do the participants see these initiatives developing in the future?

This study is part of a larger international project, funded, in part, by the UK Economic and Social Research Council. Additional information can be accessed on the study's website:

<http://depictmobilis.org>

### 2. *Why have I been invited to take part?*

You have been invited because you are involved in, or benefit from, a community-led infrastructure initiative that aims to improve cycling and walking in London. We believe that your experience with these types of projects is valuable knowledge that may help others pursue similar initiatives.

### 3. *Do I have to take part?*

You can ask questions about the study before deciding whether or not to participate. If you do agree to participate, you may withdraw yourself (and your data) from the study at any time, without giving a reason and without penalty, by advising the researchers of this decision.

### 4. *What will happen in the study?*

If you are happy to take part in the study, you will be asked to participate in either a one-to-one interview or a focus group with other people involved in your community-led project. The study will take only one session, lasting up to 90 minutes, although we may contact you again with some follow-up questions or to confirm our interpretation of your response. The session will take place in a location of your preference. The researcher will ask you various questions based upon the aims listed above. We are interested in your experiences and reflections – there are no right or wrong answers to the questions. The researcher will audio record the interview lest you decline to be recorded. The recording will be stored securely and separately from any personal and contact data.

### 5. *Are there any potential risks in taking part?*

There are no inherent risks associated with taking part in the study. You are free to refuse to answer any questions which you may find upsetting, or do not want to discuss for any reason, and the researcher will simply move to another question, postpone the interview, or cancel it if necessary. We will not make contact data and information available to third parties.

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**6. Are there any benefits in taking part?**

This study provides an opportunity to network with similar groups and to benefit from the information that we will provide in the form of project briefings and academic publications. It is also hoped that the materials produced from the study will benefit community-led walking and cycling initiatives more broadly.

**7. What happens to the data provided?**

The **research data** will be stored confidentially using a secure University of Oxford server.

Your responses will be anonymised so that you cannot be identified from the information you have provided. **Personal data** will, by default, be stored separately from the research data and confidentially, using a different University of Oxford server location; however, as providing a networking opportunity is a project aim, we will also ask whether you would like your organizational contact information (e.g. name and e-mail) included in a database to be shared among the research participants (only). All research data and records will be stored for a minimum retention period of three years after publication or public release of the work of the research, in accordance with the University of Oxford's Policy on the Management of Research Data & Records:

<http://researchdata.ox.ac.uk/home/introduction-to-rdm/university-of-oxford-policy/>

**8. Will the research be published?**

The research may be published in online briefings and in academic journals and/or books. However, any research data will be quoted in aggregated and/or anonymised form, so that you will not be identifiable from any information you contribute to the study.

**9. Who has reviewed this study?**

This study has been reviewed by, and received ethics clearance through, the University of Oxford Central University Research Ethics Committee (reference number: SOGE 1A-189).

**10. Who do I contact if I have a concern about the study or I wish to complain?**

If you have concerns about any aspect of this study, please speak to the researcher, Dr. Denver Nixon, 07487-828311, or the study's Principal Investigator, Dr. Tim Schwanen, 01865-285503, who will do their best to answer your query. The researcher should acknowledge your concern within 10 working days and give you an indication of how they intend to deal with it. If you remain unhappy or wish to make a formal complaint, please contact the relevant chair of the Research Ethics Committee at the University of Oxford who will seek to resolve the matter in a reasonably expeditious manner: Chair, **Social Sciences & Humanities Inter-Divisional Research Ethics Committee**, Research Services, University of Oxford, Wellington Square, Oxford OX1 2JD, email: [ethics@socsci.ox.ac.uk](mailto:ethics@socsci.ox.ac.uk)

**11. Contact Details**

If you would like to discuss the research with someone beforehand (or if you have questions afterwards), please contact:

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