Application Summary

Address:New Bridge Adjacent To Langton Street Bridge BristolProposal:New bridge for pedestrians and cyclists to the east of
existing grade II listed Langton Street Bridge.Case Officer:Jonathan Coombs

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Customer Details

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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Amenity - Residents Group
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Comments:	The Bristol Civic Society supports the proposa

The Bristol Civic Society supports the proposal to build a new bridge adjacent to the Banana Bridge to meet the increasing demand for greater pedestrian/cyclist capacity across the Avon New Cut. The Society also supports the design of the bridge, which it considers a lightweight, elegant solution of a bridge close to the grade II listed bridge. The Society objects to the application only because it would like to see the new bridge moved a greater distance to the east of the listed bridge. The Society infers that traffic management seeks to align the bridge with a cycle lane in St. Luke's Road. The Society recognises that were the bridge to move to a site that aligned with Somerset Street on the right bank of the Avon New Cut it would create a dog leg cross roads at the intersection with York Road. The advantages of moving the site of the new bridge to create a dog-leg cross-over would outweigh any disadvantage to the new bridge's users because, (i) The new bridge would cease to obstruct the view of the Banana Bridge viewed from the east. (ii) The greater division between the two bridges would increase the likelihood of separation of cyclists and pedestrians across the span of the river. The dog-leg would not inconvenience cyclists who would gain the advantage of the, at grade, new bridge. Non-disabled pedestrians would choose the Banana Bridge whose access steps are an obstacle for cyclists. It is a standard road safety procedure to stagger intersections where minor roads cross major roads.