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Dear Mr [REDACTED],

Thank you for your email of 15th May 2014 requesting follow up information based on the previous FOI request on cycle routes within the trunk roads network.

Your request has been handled under normal business practices and not in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act/Environmental Information Regulations.

In your email you asked for the following information:

a) Your answer covers all of England; whereas I was looking for information for those parts of your network in Hampshire. Can you identify that portion from your records?

The Agency does not record cycle tracks for Hampshire specifically. However, the A3, A27 and A34 trunk roads in the Surrey, Hampshire, West Sussex area have approximately 12.3km of cycle track. We cannot confirm if they are hard, segregated.

Row Labels	Sum of Length (km)
A27	2.3
A3	5.1
A34	4.9
Grand Total	12.3

b) In your answer to question 6 (and later in 8), you state that you work with cycling organisations to provide safe access and crossing points to the SRN. Can you provide examples of this in Hampshire? (There has been a long-running campaign to make the exit from your A34 at Tufton safer for people who cycle there but to no avail).

Our remit covers all of England. Where there is a need to work with local cycling organisations for particular schemes, our service providers will endeavour to do so as part of a consultative and inclusive approach. In the past we have consulted the national cycling charity, the CTC, about a scheme in this area.

c) You state that you do not distinguish between hard segregated cycle routes and other types of provision (which I take to mean things like a white line on the road, as I have seen on A34 north of Whitchurch, Hampshire); Do you have any record of what amount of hard segregated cycle lanes have been installed?

d) If not, then will you be including this distinction in the future, as they provide much better cycle provision? (Andrew McMenigall and Toby Wallace were killed as they cycled along the A30 near Newquay last July - the case for you to install hard segregated roads is there; and I would like to encourage you to collect information about how much you install).

The Agency uses specific terminology regarding cycle lanes. Cycle lanes are designated parts of the carriageway cross-section and can either be discretionary (with a dashed line allowing entry by motor vehicles) or mandatory (solid line and vehicles excluded). The vast majority of those on the strategic road network (SRN) are discretionary. Additionally, there are cycle-tracks, which are off-carriageway, often shared with pedestrians, two-way and intended for cyclists riding at below 30kph. Faster cyclists would remain in the carriageway. We understand the majority of the cycle provision on the SRN comprises these two-way shared use paths off the carriageway.

e) In question 8 you state that you are developing a training package for highway engineers - may I see it please?

The referred to training package is an 'e-learning' package that the Agency has yet to produce. The package will be developed as part of an imminent and wider cycling project. However, there are no specific details at present to share.

f) Also in question 8 you state that you are developing a cyclists safety campaign - again, may I see it please?

The Agency is trying to better understand specific safety issues experienced by cyclists on the SRN and to communicate any related safety messages via appropriate channels.

Examples of specific schemes can be found on the News section of our [website](#). You can also keep up-to-date with our latest press releases by subscribing to our [RSS feed](#).

g) You state there is a 'cycling champion' for various regions - could you tell me who that is for Hampshire and how I can contact them?

Alan Miles is the south east cycling champion. Alan's contact details are:
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If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

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