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Dear Lord Mayor

Too many months ago you asked me for my view on the most appropriate east-west route for a separated bike lane through the city.

I gave a personal, top-of-the-head answer, but since then have had the matter discussed on the Adelaidecyclists forum and in a committee meeting of BISA.

[The discussion on the forum](#) revealed the dilemmas and multi-faceted nature of any decision. However on balance BISA's preference is for Flinders/Franklin Street, on the grounds this corridor:

- has the space for separated bike lanes
- has the least traffic demand, including no bus routes
- has a good connection to the Central Market
- has reasonable connections to the metropolitan bike network. (They would better still if a direct connection were to be built between the eastern end of Flinders Street and the Parklands Trail at Bartels Road)

By the way, we have been led to believe that Council may be considering extending the Frome Bikeway over the River Torrens before constructing the east-west route. While we of course would welcome a new bridge over the Torrens for cyclists alongside Frome Road, we are firmly of the view that the east-west route should be the priority.

This is especially so given that the extension of the tram network to East Terrace will turn North Terrace from a bad cyclist route to a practically impossible one.

Regards

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