

POSSIBLE NEW LAYOUT FOR SAFETY SECTION & BICYCLE ROAD ON IT

See 2007 lane widths, and suggested new lane widths, below this photograph of the [Safety Section](#).



Safety Section, opposite 23 Beach Road, Beaumaris, between Wells Road and Cliff Grove, 2007-11-18

2007 SAFETY SECTION LAYOUT PICTURED ABOVE (23 Beach Road)	TOTAL WIDTH	On-road east-bound cycle lane on inland side	Motor lane, east-bound traffic	The dusty, very little-used central motor lane (for right-hand turns only)	Motor lane, west-bound traffic	On-road west-bound cycle lane on seaward side	Mown grass verge adjoining the foreshore reserve
Widths (metres)	14.5 <small>[cf. PPCC Inc. measurements]</small>	2.4	3.0	2.9	3.1	1.4	1.7

SUGGESTED NEW SAFETY SECTION LAYOUT, WITH CONCRETE BICYCLE ROAD ENTIRELY ON ROAD RESERVATION	TOTAL WIDTH	On-road east-bound cycle lane on inland side	Motor lane, east-bound traffic	Median pedestrian refuge island strip, of same width as in Beach Rd at Seaview Cres, Love St, Edward St & Abbott St	Motor lane, west-bound traffic	On-road west-bound cycle lane on seaward side	2.5 metre-wide concrete two-way bicycle road for recreational users, with 750 mm buffer strips on each side, as has existed for over ten years from west of Cromer Road to Brighton.
Widths (metres)	14.5 <small>[cf. PPCC Inc. measurements]</small>	1.6	3.0	1.3	3.0	1.6	4.0

The suggested new layout, which would provide room for the standard bicycle road for recreational users that exists from Cromer Road to Brighton, and for an on-road cycle lane on each side of the Safety Section extended to Cromer Road, envisages replacing the existing little-used central motor lane, used for right-hand turns only, with a largely continuous 1.3 metre wide raised median island strip to separate the two motor lanes, and to be a refuge for pedestrians crossing Beach Road.

Vehicles could only enter or leave driveways or streets in this section by heading east, so westbound drivers wishing to enter those would need to drive past and find their way back eastbound, and westbound drivers wishing to leave those would need to drive east and then find their way back. Many locals would adapt by entering Cromer, Wells & Bonanza Rds via Balcombe Rd.

Such an arrangement limiting right-hand turns in this way is common on Victoria's many divided roads.