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This supermarket bike park is full



The afternoon school run

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Now, let's see.
How much road space shall we allocate to bikes and pedestrians?



Bikes and pedestrians cannot share the same road space safely (except in Groningen). Advice to sceptical first-time visitors: just maintain eye contact and nobody will bump into you.

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No cars are allowed in the centre of the city, a traffic management measure introduced in the 1970s.



There's just about room for those hundreds of bikes near the shops; they'll be building multi-storey bike parks next!

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About 10,000 bikes are parked at the Groningen bus and railway station interchange, just south of the city centre.



It's easy to park your bike on the second level; remembering where you parked is much harder.

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Good job the (bicycle) traffic lights were there.



Now, we can all cross quickly and safely.

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This secure, staffed bike lock-up is beneath Groningen railway station and has room for 3,000 bikes.



There's no skimping on the cycling signs.

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The investment in cycling started over 30 years ago, and continues today. The space in front of Groningen railway station is being transformed by the creation of a covered bike parking area to provide a better public realm and more bike parking spaces.

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Just have a quick chat after work, pick up some flowers, and then cycle home.



World Cup football fever can even help sell bikes. In Groningen, bikes are simply part of everyday life.