

Bristol Walking Alliance (BWA) welcomes proposed improvements to the public realm around the development of One Temple Way.

We welcome the proposals for improvements to the public realm around One Temple Way.

In particular, we applaud the opening up of the entrance to the Temple Way underpass, which will help to make the entrance to the subway more visible and aid perception of safety. We acknowledge this is not part of the developer's scheme, but we welcome the developer's openness to this proposal, and would suggest a S.106 contribution towards it.

We also applaud the new pedestrian connection following the line of David Street. This will make the primary pedestrian route from Temple Meads to Old Market more convenient by making it more direct for most users. However, it is a pity it does not offer a shorter route for those who cannot use steps.

We also welcome the use of more active frontages on the ground floor, which will add to the oversight and safety of the area. We would also stress the importance of good lighting and use of CCTV to improve safety.

Separately from the development, we are still not confident that the Temple Way underpass will feel safe enough to be the chosen route to cross Temple Way for many pedestrians. We would stress the importance of a future crossing at street level, perhaps at the junction with Avon Street if it is modified to allow two-way bus traffic.

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