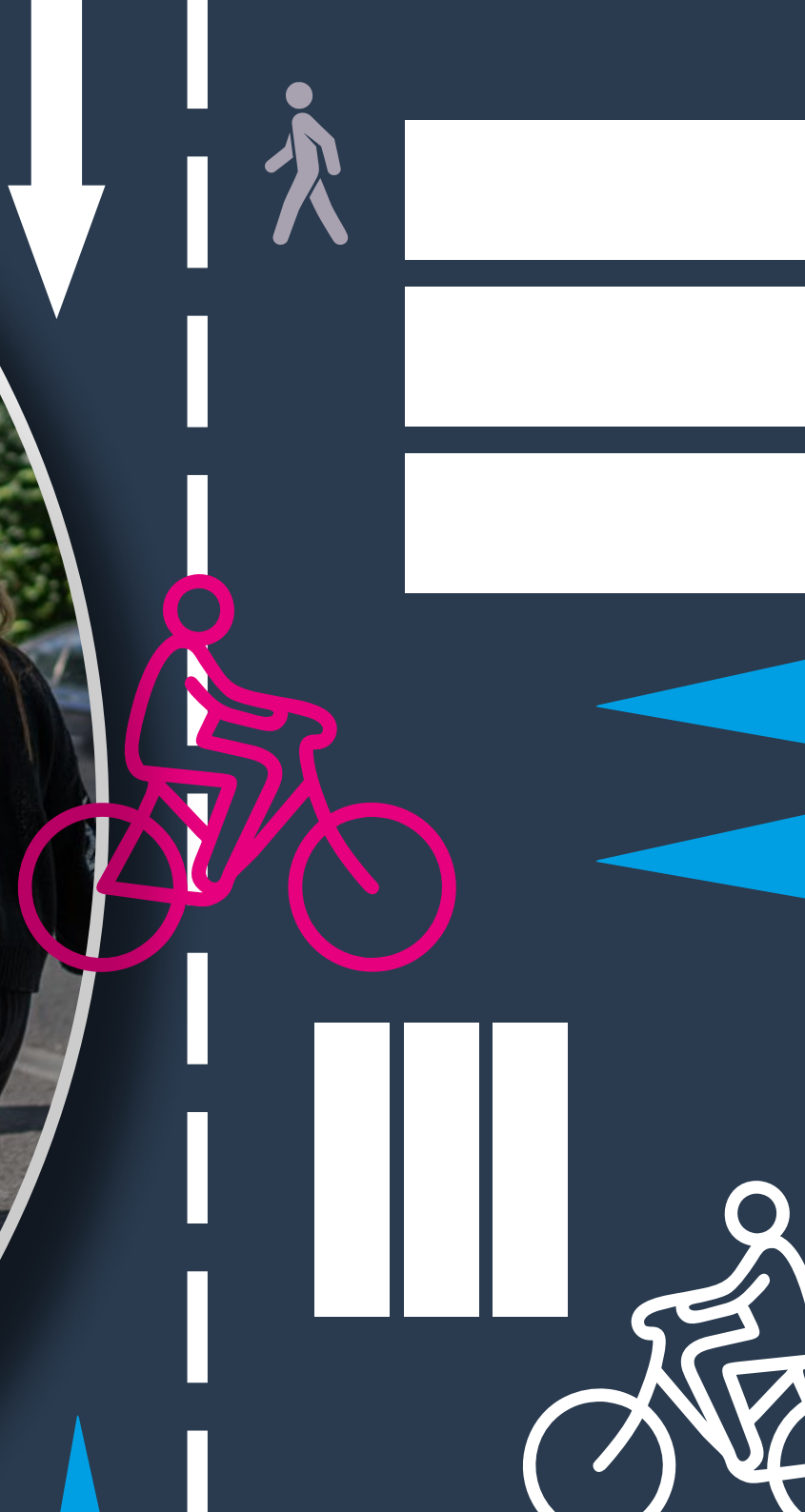
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Continuous Footway Crossing

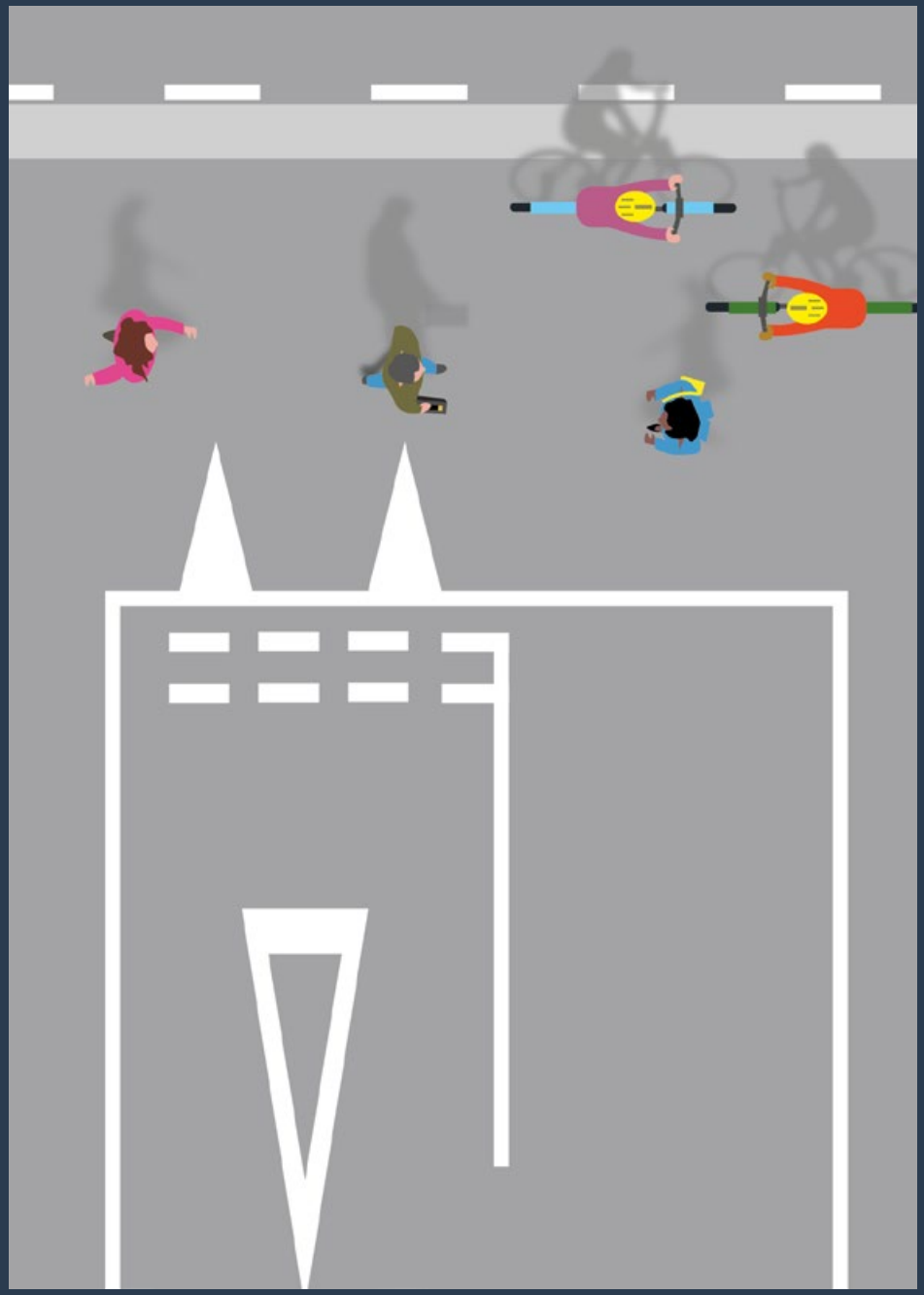


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NEW **Continuous footway crossings**

Hampshire County Council are currently installing new continuous footway crossings across some parts of the county. These crossings support the New Highway code priority rules.



What is a continuous Footway crossing?

A continuous footway crossing gives pedestrians increased priority when crossing side road junctions. This includes people walking, using wheelchairs, mobility scooters, pushchairs or other mobility aids. The footway continues across the junction without a break, making it clear that people walking have priority over vehicles turning in or out.

In some locations, where the crossing is part of a cycle lane, cyclists may also use a continuous footway, but only where this is specifically permitted and clearly signed.

It's important all road users know how to use this new crossing correctly and understand who has priority.

Drivers



As a driver or rider of a motorised vehicle be aware. As you drive towards the crossing, you must slow down and travel up and over the footway using the ramp.

If you are turning out of the junction, you will notice the give way markings have moved to before the raised hump. You must Stop at the give way markings and give priority to pedestrians waiting to cross and cyclists where they are permitted.

If you are turning into the side road, across the footway, you must be prepared to give way to any pedestrians waiting to cross and cyclists, if the footway is part of a cycle lane.

If you are behind a vehicle and they are indicating to turn into the junction across the continuous footway, they will stop to prioritise pedestrians and cyclists crossing. Please be patient and wait until it's safe to continue.





Pedestrians

As a pedestrian, you have priority at the crossing. Be aware that cyclists may use a continuous footway crossing where there is a cycle lane. This will be clearly signed.

- Always check that traffic has stopped before you start to cross.
- Cross only within the continuous footway crossing markings keep looking left and right, being aware of cyclists and vehicles.
- If cyclists are permitted, remember to share the space respectfully.
- Give the road your full attention and avoid distractions from your phone and music.





Cyclists



As a cyclist, remember to check for signs, not all continuous crossings permit cyclists. If you are riding towards the crossing, you have priority over vehicles turning into the side road.

Slow down when approaching the crossing and be aware of pedestrians who have priority; share the space safely.

Always check that traffic has stopped before you start to cross.

Cross only within the continuous footway crossing markings.
Keep looking out for pedestrians using their part of the crossing.

Give the road your full attention









Know who has priority, share the road safely

Find out more about Hampshire's Active Travel Fund schemes and the improvements being delivered across the county by visiting our **Active Travel Fund webpage** or scan the code.

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