

## for Leicester (City and South)

	REGULATION 28 REPORT TO PREVENT FUTURE DEATHS
	THIS REPORT IS BEING SENT TO: The Chief Coroner
	Leicester City Council,
	The family of Miss Thouvenot
	Leicester Campaign Cycling Group.
1	CORONER
	I am Dr Christina Swann ,Assistant Coroner for Leicester (City and South)
2	CORONER'S LEGAL POWERS
	I make this report under paragraph 7, Schedule 5, of the Coroners and Justice Act 2009 and regulations 28 and 29 of the Coroners (Investigations) Regulations 2013. http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2009/25/schedule/5/paragraph/7
	http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2013/1629/part/7/made
3	INVESTIGATION and INQUEST
	On 17/11/2014 I commenced an investigation into the death of Anais Chantal Thouvenot, who was 22 years of age, at the time of her death. The investigation concluded at the end of the inquest on 17 March 2015. The conclusion of the inquest was Road Traffic Collision. Miss Thouvenot suffered a traumatic brain injury following a road traffic collision whilst riding her bicycle and died on 16th November 2014 at Queens Medical Centre, Nottingham despite supportive measures. The cause of death was given as cerebral Infarction due to traumatic brain injury.
4	CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DEATH
	Miss Thouvenot was involved in a road traffic collision at the junction of Upper Kings Street and Regent Road in Leicester on 9/11/14 when she was knocked from her pedal cycle by a passing vehicle sustaining a serious head injury. She was taken to QMC, Nottingham, where she died on 16/11/14.
5	CORONER'S CONCERNS
	During the course of the inquest the evidence revealed matters giving rise to concern. In my opinion there is a risk that future deaths may occur unless action is taken. In the circumstances it is my statutory duty to report to you.
	The MATTERS OF CONCERN are as follows. —
	During the course of the investigation I was made aware of specific concerns regarding the safety of the road traffic junction at Upper Kings Street and Regent Road, Leicester. These concerns were highlighted to me by the Leicester Cycling Campaign Group (LCCG) and a member of the public who has also raised these concerns for the attention of Councillors
	The LCCG have informed me that they believe the junction to be inherently dangerous quoting a number of 'near misses' as experienced by their cycling group.
	The specific concerns relate to visibility at the junction and absent or inadequate filter lanes, exacerbated by heavy traffic and the contour of the road at this junction. It is also known to be or a major cycle route into the city.

## **ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN** In my opinion action should be taken to prevent future deaths and I believe you have the power to take such action. I would appreciate if you would kindly review the inherent safety of this junction in the course of preventing future deaths. YOUR RESPONSE You are under a duty to respond to this report within 56 days of the date of this report, namely by 29 April 2015. I, the coroner, may extend the period. Your response must contain details of action taken or proposed to be taken, setting out the timetable for action. Otherwise you must explain why no action is proposed. COPIES and PUBLICATION I have sent a copy of my report to the Chief Coroner and to the following Interested Persons namely the family of Miss Thouvenot. I have also sent it to the Leicester Cycling Campaign Group who may find it useful or of interest. I am also under a duty to send the Chief Coroner a copy of your response. The Chief Coroner may publish either or both in a complete, redacted or summary form. He may send a copy of this report to any person who he believes may find it useful or of interest. You may make representations to me, the coroner, at the time of your response, about the release or the publication of your response by the Chief Coroner. Dated 18 March 2015 Signature for Leicester (City and South)