

DELIVERING THE GOODS?

Lorries are disproportionately dangerous to cyclists. CTC Road Justice campaigner *Rhia Weston* spoke to lorry drivers about possible solutions

L arge Goods Vehicles (LGVs) are hugely over-represented in collisions where cyclists and pedestrians are killed. They make up just 5% of the traffic in the UK but are involved in 18% of cyclist fatalities and 15% of pedestrian fatalities. This figure rises to over 50% in London. LGVs are involved in fewer collisions than other

vehicle types, but due to their vast size and weight, the collisions they are involved in are more likely to be fatal.

One solution to the danger that LGVs present to cyclists is to separate them from each other, for instance, by constructing segregated cycle paths. This, however, would require many miles of segregated cycle paths to be constructed in areas where the two road users most commonly share the road: densely populated inner-city roads, which often lack available space. This solution is unlikely to be implemented in the short term, and highly unlikely to be implemented everywhere it needs to be.

Another possible solution that CTC has