

**George IV Bridge to King’s Buildings Quality Bike Corridor  
Minutes from meeting with Grange Prestonfield Community Council**

**1400 – 13 February 2012  
Mercat Room – City Chambers, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor**

Present:

Chris Brace	Strategic Planning (SP)	(CB)
Andrew Easson	Projects Development (PD)	(AE)
Callum Smith	Projects Development (PD)	(CS)
Tony Harris	Grange Prestonfield CC	(TH)
Andreas Grothey	Grange Prestonfield CC	(AG)
Sue Tritton	Grange Prestonfield CC	(ST)

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<b>1</b>	<b>Issues Discussed</b>	
1.1	<p>Discussion centred around the proposals for the Mayfield Road / West Mains Road / Esslemont Road junction, and the process which was undertaken in arriving at the final design for the junction.</p> <p>GPCC distributed a note at the meeting outlining the issues which they have regarding the consultation which was carried out, and previous communications with the Council regarding the junction. A copy of this note is appended to the minutes.</p> <p>In reference to Point Five on the note, AE confirmed that a copy of the TRO letter was sent to GPCC on 13<sup>th</sup> September 2011. Although the letter did not specifically highlight the banned right turn at the junction, this was shown on the TRO drawings on the disc enclosed with the letter.</p>	<p align="center"><b>Note</b></p> <p align="center"><b>Note</b></p>
1.2	<p>AE/CB explained in detail the problems which are currently experienced at the junction, and the options which were explored in order to address these e.g. changes to signal phasing. Details of the modelling and traffic counts which were undertaken were also discussed.</p> <p>ST requested that this information be pulled together for use during this week’s Community Council meeting. PD to prepare.</p>	<b>PD</b>
1.3	<p>AG indicated a concern that southbound cyclists will be unable to reach the shared use area if traffic queues in two lanes due to the width available. AE advised that this will be monitored once the new layout is operational.</p>	<b>Note</b>
1.4	<p>The alternative route to the right-turn from Mayfield Road to West Mains Road was also discussed. AE explained that a route will be signed along West Savile Terrace and Blackford Avenue.</p>	<b>Note</b>

	<p>Traffic modelling indicates that there will be an extremely minor impact on this route (around one additional vehicle every two minutes).</p> <p>TH requested that the diversion route signage only be erected temporarily, and it was agreed that the signs should only be erected for a period of around six months.</p> <p>The potential for rat-running along Lussielaw Road was mentioned, although it is likely that the volume of traffic which may use this route would be so low that it would not be an issue.</p>	
1.5	<p>It was confirmed that monitoring of the junction performance will be undertaken once it has been completed and is in operation. A report will be produced on the findings of the monitoring.</p> <p>CB explained that a Stage 3 Safety Audit will also be carried out once the junction is complete. This will highlight any safety concerns which are identified once the junction is operational.</p>	<b>Note</b>
1.6	<p>CB confirmed the timescales for implementation of the scheme. The first phase will include the improvements along the entire Quality Bike Corridor route, with the exception of the Mayfield Road / West Mains Road / Esslemont Road junction. This first phase will be completed by June 2012.</p> <p>It is the intention to have the Mayfield Road / West Mains Road / Esslemont Road junction completed as a second phase by the start of the new academic year in September 2012.</p>	<p><b>Note</b></p> <p><b>Note</b></p>
1.7	<p>TH was issued with a copy of the junction design drawing for use at the Community Council and Craigmillar Park Residents Association meetings.</p>	<b>Note</b>