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Dear Sir/Madam,

THE GLASGOW CITY COUNCIL (PARTICK) (MANDATORY20mph SPEED LIMIT ZONE) ORDER 201_

Support with concern.

Thank you for your e-mail of 28 June and the opportunity to comment on this proposal.

GoBike supports the imposition of a formal 20mph speed limit in this area and thus, in principle, supports this Order. However, we are concerned about the following aspects of the changes being brought in:

- The introduction of the 20mph limit continues Glasgow City Council's very slow, and very piecemeal policy of reducing the default speed limit across the city to 20mph. The council's Petitions committee, 2 years ago, was very supportive of GoBike's proposals to bring in a default limit of 20mph across the city. The current piecemeal policy is expensive and confusing for road users.

- The current speeds are low because of the chaotic parking that has been allowed to develop in this area.

- Both the parking and compliance with the 20mph limit will need to be monitored and enforced if there is to be any benefit to the area.

- We are aware that there are objections to your cycling policy being enacted in this area. Streets have been made one-way to allow for parking on both sides, leaving a very narrow road way. Your cycling policy clearly states that two-way cycling is the default position on one-way streets and yet you are not allowing it on these streets where the regime is being changed. Thus we disagree with your assertion that the introduction of the 20mph limit, along with the parking changes will "encourage walking and cycling".

We look forward to changes in the city that will genuinely encourage walking and cycling but, in the meantime, we recognise this as a step in the right direction.

Yours sincerely,

Convenor, GoBike!