

Consultations Digest Issue 8, Two Busy Thoroughfares Seeking Good Quality Cycle Lanes... and lots more.

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The junction of Eglinton Street, Nelson Street and Bridge Street is not one for the faint-hearted on a bike, but can it be improved? See Section 1.1 below.

We mentioned both of these last time in [Digest 7](#) but we now have more information on both the Tradeston / Clyde Place and the High Street / Saltmarket Consultations and we need your help to press for good cycle facilities on these major roads.

We also have a reminder on Queen Margaret Drive (details issued last Thursday), a Glasgow consultation on Public Transport Services, plus one for Water Row in Govan and for parking around Ibrox Stadium, with, finally, just in yesterday, 20mph proposed for Woodside - something for everyone!

1. Current Consultations

1.1 Tradeston and Clyde Place, Glasgow, closes 04 May, SO PLEASE COMMENT SOON!



It is proposed to redevelop the water front area, south of Clyde Place in Tradeston, with Clyde Place losing through traffic. We are concerned about both the maintenance of the excellent, separated cycleway along Clyde Place (part of the South West City Way) but also the council's failure to direct cycles directly north from Eglinton Street (pictured), to the Glasgow Bridge and on into the city centre.

We have spoken to Glasgow City Council about the plans, see [Digest 7](#) for the links to all the documents, and this plan is the critical one to look at, [TRO_2017_013-002 - Clyde Place, Tradeston \(Publication\) \(1 of 2\)](#). The information was

sent by e-mail and here is the text:

"THE GLASGOW CITY COUNCIL, (CLYDE PLACE, TRADESTON), (TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT) ORDER 201_

The Council propose to consider the introduction of the above named Traffic Regulation Order. Please find enclosed a copy of the press notice of the proposed Order, relevant map, statement of reasons, detailed report and FAQ's. Details of the proposals will also be available on the Glasgow City Council website at www.glasgow.gov.uk/proposedtro.

*As stated in the attached documentation, any person wishing to object to the proposed Order should send details of the ground for their objection in writing to **Andy Waddell, Head of Infrastructure and Environment, Land and Environmental Services, Exchange House, 231 George Street, Glasgow, G1 1RX** or by email to land@glasgow.gov.uk by 4 May 2018 ."*

Our letter of comment and partial objection, giving our view is here: [GoBike Tradeston Clyde Place comment and partial objection letter 010518](#)

1.2 The High Street and Saltmarket, Glasgow, closes 07 May

<https://www.glasgowconsult.co.uk/KMS/dmart.aspx5> Annoyingly, from this link one has to click on

Current Consultations and work through the list to find the High Street and Saltmarket, but, as many of you will know, the High Street and Saltmarket are in a sorry state, with many shops closing and empty units. It's a four-lane highway with heavy traffic volumes and no cycle lanes and next to no bus services. Despite this it is busy with buses as First Bus move their buses from the Gorbals depot to start their daily routes outwith the city centre and then bring them back at the end of the shifts. There's an on-line consultation link from the webpage - do please complete it but we have also submitted this letter: [GoBike High Street Saltmarket action plan comments 010518](#)

There is also to be a drop in event on Thursday 03 May, 5 - 7pm at the [St Mungo Museum](#) at the top of the High Street near the Cathedral. This was originally to be just for local businesses but has now been opened up to everyone concerned about the area. Get yourself there if you want to know any more about what might happen to the area.

1.3 Queen Margaret Drive, Glasgow, closes 18 May

There was a consultation on options for Queen Margaret Drive last November, and now there's a further face to face event **tomorrow Wednesday 2nd May**, as well as an on-line questionnaire. We'll be at the drop-in event and should be able to get our response out by the time of the next digest on 15 May.

<https://www.glasgowconsult.co.uk/KMS/dmart.aspx?strTab=PublicDMartCurrent&NoIP=1>

Here is the wording from the on-line page:

"What do we want to know?"

Glasgow City Council is holding an online consultation and walk-in session to assess how we can improve walking and cycling on Queen Margaret Drive.

We are investigating a number of possible options to improve the environment for cyclists, pedestrians, local residents and businesses.

New designs could see the implementation of:

- *Improved paths*
- *Improved pedestrian crossings*
- *Reallocation of road space*
- *Cycle lane*

This is to, improve public space, increase the number of cyclists, improve road safety and reduce sustainable transport journey times.

ONLINE CONSULTATION available at: www.glasgow.gov.uk/qmd

PUBLIC DROP IN EVENT (meet the project team) Wednesday 2 May from 3.00pm - 7.00pm at Scout Hall, 76 Kelbourne Street, G20 8PR"

This is important because, as you are probably aware, we are awaiting the imminent public consultation for Byres Road, immediately to the south, and wouldn't it be good to have continuous cycle facilities that all can use?

1.4 Glasgow Public Transport consultation on-line, closes 11 May

<https://www.glasgowconsult.co.uk/KMS/dmart.aspx?strTab=PublicDMartCurrent&NoIP=1>



This is one where you can vent your anger at all sorts of things about public transport in Glasgow, so get stuck in!

1.5 Water Row Masterplan - Public Event, 3-7pm , Thursday 03 May 2018 at the Pearce Institute, Govan.



Here's the information we have been sent:

"Please join Collective Architecture and the Masterplan Steering Group on Thursday 3rd May to find out more about the emerging design for Water Row. Development options for the site will be presented to the public for the first time at this event. The different design options have been informed by the huge amount of consultation with local people and groups that has taken place over the last three months and we'd like to thank everyone who has contributed to date. We are keen to get your views on the design and look of the development at Water Row but also all the uses you'd like to see there and how you feel these new uses and activities could bring real benefits to Govan. This a drop-in event and is free to

attend. We look forward to seeing you there.

Public Consultation Event: Thursday 3rd May 2018

3-7pm, Pearce Institute (MacLeod Hall), 840-860 Govan Road, G51 3UU

If you are looking for more information meantime you can catch up with the [Water Row Masterplan Newsletter April 2018](#). This was delivered to more than 2700 homes in Central Govan during April to help keep everyone up to date."

One of our committee members, who is also a Sustrans volunteer, has been following developments in Govan and tells us that "This is quite a crucial scheme since it includes the southern landfall of the Partick/Govan Bridge and parts of a traffic free route towards the Southern General. The scheme is specific to the Govan Cross area, and so the amount of cycling infrastructure is small."

If you live in Govan or hope that the new bridge will help your commute to the area, do please get along to have a look at what is proposed.

1.6 Ibrox Stadium Event Day parking controls.

It seems that many football supporters drive to the game and clog the streets with their cars, so measures are now being taken to limit parking and encourage them onto buses - or even bikes! Here's what we have just been sent:

"THE GLASGOW CITY COUNCIL (IBROX STADIUM) (EVENT DAY EMERGENCY ROUTES AND PARKING ZONE) ORDER 201_

The Council propose to consider the introduction of the above named Traffic Regulation Order. Please find enclosed a copy of the press notice of the proposed Order, relevant map, statement of reasons, detailed report and frequently asked questions.

[Frequently Asked Questions Plan - Area 1 Plan - Area 2 Plan - Area 3 Plan - Area 4 Plan - Area 5 Plan - Area 6 Press Notice Report Statement of Reasons](#)

Details of the proposals will also be available on the Glasgow City Council website at www.glasgow.gov.uk/saferparking.

As stated in the attached documentation, any person wishing to object to the proposed Order should send details of the ground for their objection in writing to Andy Waddell, Head of Infrastructure and Environment, Land and Environmental Services, Exchange House, 231 George Street, Glasgow, G1 1RX or by email to saferparking-ibroxstadium@glasgow.gov.uk by 25 May 2018."

The plan overview is too large to load onto this site so, if you are interested, you will need to look at the council website listed above. GoBike's view is generally that parking restrictions, if controlled, which these will be, are a good thing, so unless anyone tells us otherwise, we will probably write in to approve the proposals and perhaps even suggest that this gives the opportunity to give the good people of Ibrox some cycle lanes. We'd certainly love to see some on Paisley Road West.

1.7 20mph limit proposed for Woodside, closes 15 June

Just in yesterday from Glasgow City Council, another bit of the city is to get the very welcome 20 limit, but will it be enforced? Here's the information from the City Council:

MESSAGE SENT ON BEHALF OF ANDY WADDELL, HEAD OF INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENT, LAND AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Dear Sir / Madam

THE GLASGOW CITY COUNCIL, (Woodside), (20mph SPEED LIMIT ZONE) ORDER 201_

The Council propose to consider the introduction of the above named Traffic Regulation Order. Please find enclosed a copy of the notice of the proposed Order, relevant maps, statement of reasons and detailed report. [Advert](#) [Draft Report- Mandatory 20mph TRO - Woodside Plan 1-1](#) [Statement of Reasons](#)

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We'll be looking at this and drawing up our response in time for the next digest on 15 May.

That's it this time - no feedback, no news of consultations in the pipeline - although the long-awaited parking controls for the bit of Dowanhill not yet covered will be rolling off the drawing board soon.

And keep your peely eyes out for movement on Byres Road. We may well need your help at short notice if things don't look great for active travel there, and we expect that to be very soon.