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Dear Sir/Madam,

**THE GLASGOW CITY COUNCIL, Planning Application 18/02021/MSC Buchanan Wharf**

We have been made aware of Planning Application 18/02021/MSC and we wish to take the opportunity to comment on the proposals for this area of Tradeston.

We are pleased to see that the area, empty for so long, is to be redeveloped, that the listed buildings are to be protected and that a major bank now plans to have a significant presence on the site.

You will be aware, of course, that the South West City cycle way skirts the site to the west and north? This route is arguably the best cycle route in Glasgow and forms an essential link for people cycling east-west on the south side of the Clyde and for people travelling from the south of the city across to the city centre. It is a good quality route and is used by commuters, shoppers, tourists, students etc and has contributed positively to the recent rise in cycling in the city.

It is thus essential that the route is maintained throughout the works. However, we aren't naive and we accept that minor diversions may be needed at times for service diversions or for the very occasional crane lifting manoeuvre, but we trust that these will be kept to the minimum and adequately signposted so as not to delay the cycle traffic.

We note that the cycle route is shown on the graphics advertising the development of the site but, while there are pedestrians, no bicycles are shown. The route is well-used, the Tradeston/Squiggly bridge is at capacity at times with pedestrians and cyclists and we trust that there will be no downgrading of facilities for active travel around this development. Indeed, with a significant office presence on the site with residential, hotel and shopping facilities, we would expect there to be an increase in active travel facilities.

Could you please confirm that the cycle route will not be downgraded either during the works or when complete?

Yours sincerely



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