

Glasgow Third Sector / City Council Concordat

Response made by Tricia Fort on behalf of GoBike, Strathclyde Cycle Campaign, 04 July 2018

(Questions 1 and 2 refer to the response being by an organisation and the name of the organisation.)

GoBike responses given in *italics*

3. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the Commitments of the Concordat? (found on page 1 of the Concordat)

Response – *Strongly agree*

If you believe there are any specific commitments which should be included to those listed within the Concordat, please use the text box below to note them:

No specific commitments are required provided there is a common will for the Concordat to be implemented in the full spirit of its intention.

4. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the Principles of the Concordat (found on page 2 of the Concordat)

As previous comment - the words are good, the actions must meet them.

5. The 4 Priorities within the Concordat are listed below, these will form the basis of the key action areas within the work plan

Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with each one of the Priorities?

Response – *Strongly agree with all.*

6. If you feel any further actions which should be included within the work plan priorities, please outline within the text box below:

The words are good; we now need to work to ensure that what we do meets and even exceeds its expectations.

7. How would you like to see the Partnership between the Third Sector and Glasgow City Council develop when the Concordat has been implemented?

In a meaningful way with third sector organisations fully involved in decision making processes as to how the infrastructure of the city is developed.

8. How can you or your organisation contribute towards Partnership working between the Third Sector and Glasgow City Council?

GoBike currently responds to consultations issued by the City Council but we are not involved at the outline planning stage. By the time that infrastructure developments or changes reach the Traffic Regulation Order stage it is really too late to make constructive comments. Frequently our only option is to object, which is seen as negative, when we would prefer to be involved at the early stages of a development to ensure that cycling, and walking, ie the active travel options are considered from the outset. There is a concern that, in some cases, lip service is paid to the concerns of people who travel other than by private motor car and we need this Concordat to be fully implemented and open so that the views of all may be considered and decisions reached that are in compliance with City Council Strategy documents and plans.

We have been taking City Councillors on tours of their wards to show them the good, the bad and the ugly of cycling and active travel provision and we are keen to get such site visits included as part of the planning process.

9. If you have any further comments please add them in the text box below

None.

You have completed this survey!

Thank you for taking the time to complete this consultation survey. The opinions you have expressed here will shape the Glasgow City Council and Third Sector Concordat.

If you would like further details on Concordat Action Plan please contact Judith.Hunter@glasgow.gov.uk

If you wish further details regarding the Third Sector Interface please contact kathleen.caskie@gcvs.org.uk

A paper which summarises the results of the survey will be published for Glasgow City Council's Wellbeing, Empowerment, Community and Citizen Engagement City Policy Committee, on the below link on 16th August 2018:

<http://www.glasgow.gov.uk/councillorsandcommittees/calendar.asp>