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Dear Sir/Madam,

**The Glasgow City Council (Paisley Road West – Streamline Review) – (Traffic Regulation) Order 2010 (Amendment No.2) – Response**

GoBike notes the council's proposal to introduce traffic lights at the junction of Paisley Road West, Tweedsmuir Road, and Cardonald Place Road. We welcome the provision of a contraflow cycle lane on Cardonald Place Road, the extension of parking controls, and the introduction of new pedestrian crossings.

We would, however, like to see further improvements. We fear that drivers emerging from Tweedsmuir Road will not expect to see oncoming cyclists; therefore, we request the provision of coloured surfacing and cycle symbols through the junction to highlight the likely presence of cyclists. We also suggest the provision of advanced green lights on the Cardonald Place Road arm, to give cyclists a 5-second head start and allow them to clear the junction before motorists start moving.

We further recommend that the contraflow cycle lane on Cardonald Place Road be mandatory, rather than advisory. An advisory lane, as currently proposed, would provide little reassurance to cyclists that they would not meet motor vehicles coming head-on towards them on "their" side of the road. A mandatory lane would also highlight the need for drivers to anticipate cyclists travelling in the opposite direction. Advice from the national cycle charity CTC for contraflow cycling in one-way streets is that cycle lanes should be mandatory (<http://bit.ly/1HE6lcR>).

Finally, we request the deletion of the proposed ASL feeder lane on Paisley Road West. Such lanes encourage cyclists to adopt hazardous road positions that bring them into conflict with left-turning vehicles. Left-turning heavy goods vehicles, in particular, present severe risks to cyclists and road design must not exacerbate these risks.

We attach an altered version of your drawing, illustrating these changes, and we look forward to receiving and fully approving your revised plans.

Yours sincerely,

Tricia Fort, Convenor, GoBike!

# Proposed junction design, Paisley Road West/Tweedsmuir Road/Cardonald Place Road

