15 October 2019

Dear Sir/Madam,

THE GLASGOW CITY COUNCIL, (DALMARNOCK WEST) (TRAFFIC REGULATION) ORDER 201_

Thank you for your email of 04 October and the opportunity to comment on the proposals for the prohibition of waiting in the area to the west of Dalmarnock Railway Station.

Comprising people who cycle, GoBike has concerns about on-street parking, particularly when it makes cycling more hazardous, as it generally does. We fully support this proposal to encourage more people to take the train and to use active travel to get to the station or their place of work, leaving the streets clear for moving traffic, particularly cycles and buses.

However, along with our support, we do have concerns about parking and active travel in this area, particularly in respect of the new Police Scotland offices. Our members have expressed concern in the past that employees from these offices have been leaving their vehicles on the cycle lane on Shawfield Road just across the river. This puts people at risk of collision with moving vehicles as they must cycle out into the road to get past them. Please see the attached screenshot, which shows Shawfield Road and the advisory cycle lane that starts at the South Lanarkshire border. We request that you liaise with South Lanarkshire Council to ensure that there is a safe cycling facility on this busy road linking the two local authority areas.

Our other concern is the lack of direct cycling access from the Police Scotland offices to National Cycle Route 75, the route along the north bank of the Clyde. The access points are stepped, rather than ramped and this will deter people from cycling to and from their work.

We consistently mention the need for all parking controls to be managed, which we hope they will be in this area and we would also be pleased if you will ensure that our concerns with respect of Shawfield/Glasgow Road and NCN 75 are addressed.

Yours sincerely

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