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Dear Sir/Madam,

**THE GLASGOW CITY COUNCIL,
(NORTH KELVIN AND NORTH WOODSIDE) (TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT AND PARKING
CONTROLS) ORDER 202_**

Thank you for your email of 28 February plus the clarification message of 03 March and the opportunity to comment on the proposals for changes to parking and travel directions in North Kelvin and North Woodside.

GoBike is delighted that you are proposing moves to significantly remove commuter parking from this area. We are pleased that you are not removing 2-way cycling on Jardine Street when the street is made 1-way for motor traffic and it is good news that you propose to open up cycle access to the filters that allow through movement to cycles, but not cars, along several of the residential streets in this area. For too long it has been difficult to negotiate this area because of all the stationary cars; we hope you will be able to enforce the parking improvements.

We are also pleased to see 2-way cycle access through the Bus Gate on Hotspur Street and through the Fire Path on the north carriageway of Wilton Street. We look forward to these moves being appreciated by people cycling in the area and to more of our city being opened up to cycling in similar ways.

We understand that the local Community Council supports these proposals; it is reassuring to us that more and more residents are realising that the unfettered storage of cars on residential streets is a blight on an area.

We have some comments to make about the parking proposals, which we hope you will consider:

1. Angled, or perpendicular to the kerb, parking by motor vehicles should be reverse-in and drive forward to leave. This is widely recognised to be the safer situation for all road users but particularly for people cycling. It is regrettable that the situation of drive-in parking has been allowed to develop in Glasgow and we look forward to you taking steps to change this practice.
2. We note with interest your encouragement to people to adopt usage of Car Club vehicles rather than owning their own car. However, Car Club vehicles and electric cars in general will not reduce congestion but modal shift to cycling will. We thus suggest that, for every on-street EV charging point and associated parking place that you provide, you also install a secure on-street cycle storage unit incorporating at least one electric bike charging point. This will be a move that will be appreciated by a significant number of local residents and will allow people to store their bikes responsibly rather than attached to railings, in close stairways or in their flats.

We made similar points in our response to the Stage One consultation on your proposals and we are naturally disappointed that you have not adopted our suggestions. However, we recognise that progress has been made and we look forward to similar, and more progressive, moves across the city to improve access to cycling and reduce the dominance of the private motor car.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tricia Fort', written in a cursive style.

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