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Reference: Main Issues Report (MIR)



Dear Mr. Brownrigg,

The Bon Accord Residents Association (BARA) have registered their concerns with ACC Roads and Planning Office, regarding the possible pedestrianisation of the Justice Mill Lane / Langstane Place neighbourhood, as outlined in the EN03 traffic planning document. While no reference is made in that report to the pedestrianisation being a conduit for increasing the night time economy, reference is made to an increase in the footfall through the area, about which we were concerned. Increased footfall would, in our opinion impact on the families living in the Bon Accord Terrace / Hardgate vicinity and lead to further incidents of anti social behaviour and criminal activity already well documented with Police Scotland.

In reference then to the MIR, I would like to personally register my concerns regarding the reference in the document to the "aspiration to a 24 hr city centre economy", particularly if that were to include the Justice Mill Lane / Langstane Place and adjacent Bon Accord Terrace neighbourhood. As mentioned above the residents in the area are already significantly impacted by the actions of bar/nightclub customers and a further increase in night time economy would undoubtedly further impact on the families who reside (and desire to live safely) in the city centre.

It should be known that BARA have recently submitted a 'freedom of information' request to establish:

- 1) details of the areas mentioned in ACC, CEO letter referring to "encouraging night time economy in specific areas"
- 2) in reference to MIR, request for details of the anticipated zones of 24 hour night time economy
- 3) request for documents outlining any Police comments and/or input received on the pedestrianisation of the area outline in EN03.

Should you wish any further clarification on any of the points made herein, please do not hesitate to contact me on  or by email at .

Yours sincerely,

Michael Gray