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Dear Mr Lazarowicz.

Thank you for your follow up letter dated 5 August in relation to access changes at Waverley station.

Network Rail recognises that, as far as practically possible, all passengers should be able to use and enjoy the facilities provided. To that endeavour, Waverley station is now more accessible than at any time in its history. We have three fully accessible entrances to the station. Lifts permit step free access to and from Princes Street, Market Street and Calton Road.

In relation to the points you raise regarding cyclists, the removal of all private vehicles from the station has necessitated a change in the usage of the north ramp. The closure of the south ramp has meant that the north ramp will now be used throughout the day for deliveries via transit and long wheel base vans. As a result we can no longer permit passengers and cyclists to use the roadway. The turning circle has been fenced off to prevent passengers and cyclists from being put at risk by vans manoeuvring while making deliveries.

Deliveries are vital to allow station shops to continue to trade. While we concentrate most of our deliveries to the station prior to peak time travel, the only access through which it is viable to do this during the day is via the north ramp. Looking ahead, the station team will look at other options to improve the station delivery process.

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However, in the meantime, all cyclists should dismount before walking into the station with their bikes.

Network Rail recognises the importance of cycling as a mode of transport within and across the city. To enhance the facilities for cyclists within the station new cycle racks have been installed on the west side of the station, near the north ramp to minimise inconvenience to cyclists. We have also installed cycle ramps on the stairs at the entrance at Calton Road and also on the stairs at the back of the main concourse which run up to the upper level of the station. These minor improvements will help cyclists access the station and transport their bike within the station.

In relation to your points on station signage for taxis, I attach plans of how our revised sign cubes will look following planned amendment. These will be in position by Monday 18 August. The station currently has a Lothian Buses information point and I also attach a picture for your reference. We have a meeting scheduled with Lothian Buses and Transport for Edinburgh to discuss messages and input into our new digital screens, to ensure that information provision for all modes of public transport provides travellers with accurate, up to the minute details.

We understand that recent changes implemented at Waverley have not been universally welcomed but it is our job to balance convenience with the safety and best interests of all our station users. Station staff will keep current arrangements under review.

I trust the information provided answers the questions raised.

Yours sincerely,

David Dickson

Route Managing Director, Scotland

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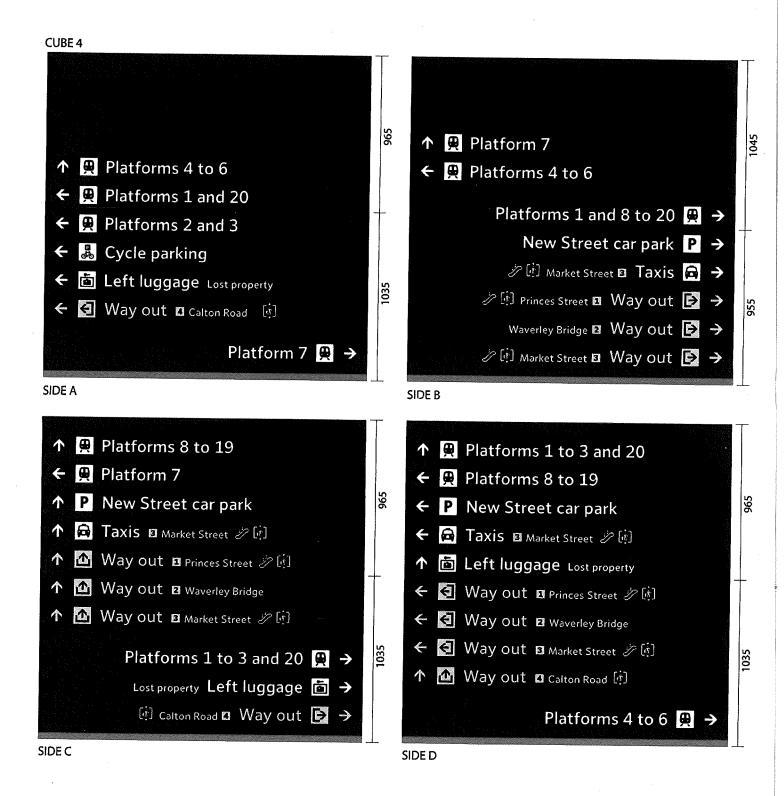
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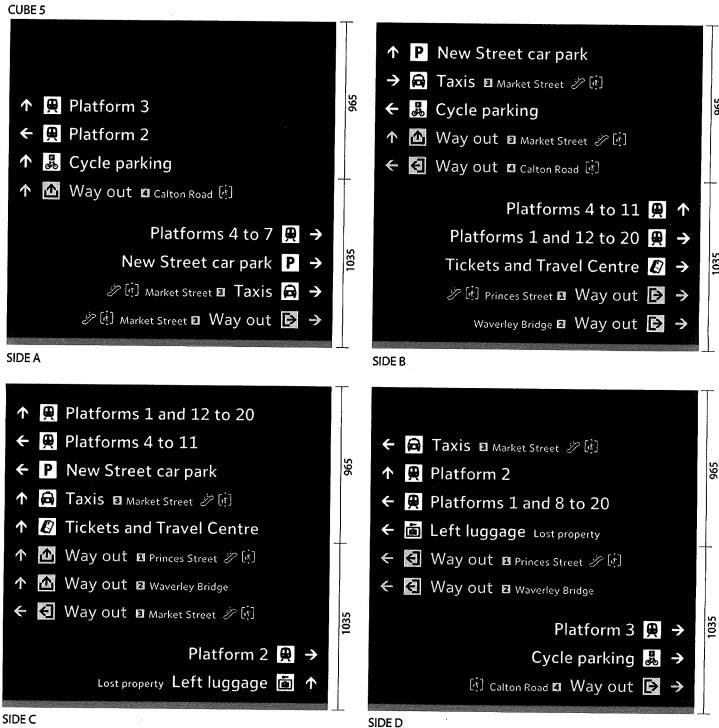
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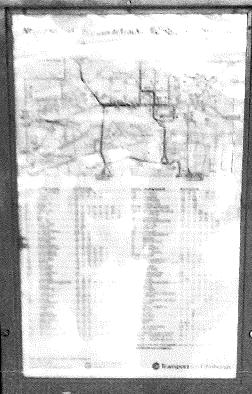
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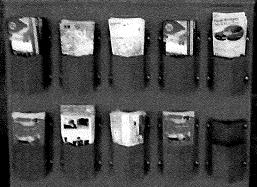
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