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Mr David Dickson
Route Managing Director, Scotland
Network Rail
(By e-mail: David.Dickson@networkrail.co.uk)

Dear Mr Dickson

Re: Waverley Station to Close to All Vehicles

Thank you for your letter of 26th May informing me that following a review of access arrangements, Waverley station has now become a private vehicle free zone.

Whilst it is understandable that Network Rail is looking to improve pedestrian safety and air quality at Waverley station, I and many of my constituents are extremely concerned about the impact of these changes on the station's access arrangements.

These changes have made travelling to and from the station an unwelcome experience for many cyclists, and risks disenfranchising a method of travelling we should be doing everything to encourage. Banning access does not encourage sustainable or integrated travel.

Cyclists do not add to congestion or air quality problems in the station and I cannot see what issues could be caused by cycling down either of the main ramps into the station.

I urge Network Rail to seriously reconsider this change and listen to the views of cycling charities in order to permit safe access to the station for cyclists.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

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