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Subject: Spokes response to Dean Park Crescent/Queensferry Road Consultation

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"Proposals for the junction of Dean Park Crescent and Queensferry Road, with associated improvements on Oxford Terrace and Learmonth Terrace. This project would transform the junction, with improved pedestrian crossings, cycle lanes and simplified vehicle movements." https://consultationhub.edinburgh.gov.uk/sfc/design-cycle-walk-dean-park-crescent/

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Spokes strongly supports proposals to improve facilities for pedestrians and cyclists in this area.

DPC is used as a rat run from QFR to Stockbridge and Fettes - a traffic management plan for the area should be produced to reduce the volume of traffic using DPC.

Spokes support the reduction in the number of turning options - there is currently too much confusion and traffic in all directions.

Spokes supports the proposed pedestrian build-out and or other narrowing of the crossing area for pedestrians at the top of DPC, enabling them to cross more quickly.

Spokes suggest that the 30mph zone should start further down QF road so that traffic at DPC junction is moving more slowly.

Spokes supports the introduction of segregated cycle lanes on QF road with priority over side turnings. (If cycle lanes are segregated, then motorists will not be disadvantaged behind cyclists before passing them as is intimated in the Proposal.)

Spokes believes that cyclists should continue to be permitted to turn right from DPC to Learmonth Terrace, whilst this movement should be banned for motor vehicles. They can go along the terrace and do another right at South Learmonth Avenue where the junction is closer to the light controlled junction at the top of Orchard Brae, that is a much easier and safer turn to make for cyclists.

It is dangerous for cyclists to cycle out of Buckingham Terrace and it may be that this should be completely stopped up with pedestrian access only and a dropped kerb for access, rather than closed just to motor vehicles.

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Also added, in accompanying email...

Overall there are many options to discuss for improving this area and we look forward to further dialogue and a stakeholder meeting in due course.