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to spacesforpeople, Spokes

Spokes Response to the Spaces For People Proposal re. Warriston Road.

Thank you for consulting us. I am writing on behalf of Spokes to welcome and give our strong support to this proposal, because:

1. This road and its narrow pavements currently has significantly increased usage by pedestrians and cyclists, but it's still being used by a lot of rat-running cars, vans and taxis as a short-cut between Broughton/Canonmills and Ferry Road.
2. The extra space for walking and cycling is particularly needed here because of how extremely busy the nearby NEPN cycle path and the St Mark's Park paths have become.

We have two comments:

1. We ask that you monitor and keep under review the narrow one-way section at the western end of Warriston Road, between Canonmills and the junction with Logie Green Rd. This currently also has significantly increased pedestrian and cycling use. A recently observed occurrence here are family cycling groups, which having cycled west along Warriston Road, finding their way blocked beyond the Logie Green Rd junction by it being one way towards them, choose to press-on contra-flow because the alternative via the Rodney Street junction is so long and daunting. Whilst some through traffic will be removed by the closure, it remains a traffic rat-run opportunity from Canonmills to Broughton St, by-passing the Rodney Street junction signals.
2. We presume that you will make provision for access from the North end of the closure to still be allowed for access to the entrance to the Warriston Allotments site for allotment deliveries and council vehicles.

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on behalf of Spokes Planning Group