## WEST LOTHIAN COUNCIL LABOUR GROUP

## Notice of Motion from Councillor Tom Conn for the Council meeting on 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2022

## Item 14 – Spaces for People Consultation Feedback

Council notes the recommendations set out in the officer's report.

Council also notes that the Scottish Government's Active Travel (AT) budget has been growing year on year since its inception, doubling to £80m pa in 2018/19 and currently £150m pa in 2022/23. The Bute House Agreement committed to increase the AT budget to at least £320m pa, or 10% of the total transport budget by 2024/25.

With this background and recognising that as a Council we need to improve the environment which increases walking, wheeling and cycling activities within our built environment. Indeed, Transport Scotland defines and sets out its commitment to active travel as "a vision of enabling walking, wheeling and cycling to be the most popular mode of travel, everyday journeys. We want to make Scotland's towns and cities friendlier, safer, and more accessible for people of all ages and abilities."

In further consideration of how improvements can be taken forward Council agrees that;

in <u>Linlithgow</u> the east Loaning parking existing permanent TRO should be revoked to remove the permitted footway parking to improve pedestrian movement on this footway for both residents and visitors, cost estimate £6000; make permanent the B9080 temporary cycleway to make this stretch of road safer for both cyclists and drivers; remove the cycle lane on the west side of St. Ninian's Road (cost estimate £7,500) but retain the cycle lane on the east side and remove the existing temporary measure and review the design and drainage of the extended footway in the High Street with a view to making it permanent to improve pedestrian movement for both residents and visitors

In Station Road, <u>Kirknewton</u> that the footway "build outs" are made permanent (cost estimate £25,000).

In Main Street, <u>East Calder</u> that the footway "build outs" are made permanent (cost estimate £15,000).

All of the above to be developed as projects within the Active Travel programme as funding becomes available through Transport Scotland.

All other temporary footway build outs are removed.

The advisory cycle lanes in Blackridge and Broxburn are retained, however any temporary kerbing and bollards are removed.