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1) 9.1 City Centre Update RES/22/290

The action I wish the Council to take:

Lily, 3rd year at Bridge of Don Academy, and Lara, 3rd year at Oldmachar Academy want:

- The Council to agree to the proposals
- to stay involved in the process and keep being listened to
- to make the City Centre more welcoming for all children and young people

2) 9.4 Beachfront Masterplan Short Term Intervention Update COM/22/292

The action I wish the Council to take:

Tibeche, 4th year at Dyce Academy, and Agnes, P7 at St Peter's Primary School, want:

The Council to agree to the recommendations;

To keep them involved in the design in interesting and challenging ways;

To make the Urban Park fun for all children and young people

3) Items 9.1, 9.2, 9.4, 9.5 of Full Council Meeting

Jon Barron

As Chair of Grampian Cycle Partnership, I implore Council to:-

- finally, follow Scotland's National Transport Strategy by truly embedding the Sustainable Travel Hierarchy in its decision making by promoting walking, wheeling and cycling first, then public transport before all other transport options
- finally, work towards the Scottish Government's 2030 Vision for Active Travel by shaping Aberdeen's communities around people so that walking or cycling can become the most popular choice for shorter everyday journeys
- finally, deliver high quality walking, cycling and wheeling networked infrastructure that is safe and available to everyone.

It is a stark reality that our wonderful city has fallen far behind other places in Scotland in relation to what it provides for those travelling on foot or by bike. For example, Aberdeen's streets still do not have any permanent on-road segregation for cycling, neither is there any road space reallocation for our most vulnerable modes.

All the resulting benefits that active travel brings to our physical and psychological wellbeing, to our local and wider environment and to our economy are well-evidenced. Promoting, supporting and enabling active travel has always been important but, for a variety of reasons, the times we are in the midst of make it increasingly so. Let's begin to lock in these benefits now.

As things stand, our city streets still do not put people before motor vehicles. I urge you all, set aside your political differences, and finally bring about the lasting changes that other cities around the globe, and some much closer to the home, have long since delivered or are already working towards.

It's lasting change that Aberdeen citizens and those who come to visit and work here, have long since deserved.

4) Item 9.1 - City Centre Update

Rachel Martin

The action I wish the Council to take:

To protect cyclists from motorised traffic on Union Street, including buses, by providing physical separation in the form of a segregated cycle track.