

Agenda Item 9

Comments of Cllr Fitzpatrick

As a Guildhall Ward Member, I am extremely disappointed that I am not allowed to speak at the Executive meeting on 13 January.

The points I would have made can be summarised as follows:

1. The traffic rat-running through the Groves has been a longstanding issue for residents.
2. Whilst in support of the consultation, I have been disappointed at the lack of updates or information provided to ward Cllrs from the Exec Member for Transport. Often having to hear about developments from the local media.
3. I welcome the decision made to continue the closures. It supports a wider aim for low traffic neighbourhoods.
4. I want to see residents who live next to the existing bollards be properly compensated for damage to their properties due to cars having to make sudden u-turns.
5. I want to see permanent bollards be less intrusive and consultation take place with the local community.
6. As Cllrs for the wider Guildhall and city centre area, Cllr Looker and I regret this is not part of a wider traffic plan. The Groves area will have a knock-on effect for streets like Clarence St, Haxby Road and Lord Mayor's Walk. Piecemeal traffic plans don't sort out the wider problems.