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To: Executive Economic Recovery Group, City of York Council

Via Lucy Atkinson, Sustainability Project Manager: <u>Lucy.Atkinson@york.gov.uk</u>

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Dear Members of The Executive Economic Recovery Group, City of York Council

I write on behalf of the University of York to express our support for the City of York Council in their ambition to create York's first E-Scooter Hubs trial. We have already provided suggestions for four sites on our Campus East and West, which we foresee as helping to encourage both sustainable travel from the city centre to University, and also aiding inter-campus travel, helping to reduce car trips on local roads. We very much hope that the project will be live by September 2020.

We support this project which we foresee will bring a variety of environmental, economic, and health benefits to York. Our students, staff and visitors are very much part of the local community, living, working and studying here and care very much about their sustainable transport options, together with the broader air quality and carbon savings that this project could contribute to.

As a global University situated well within the local York community, we cannot succeed in isolation and we recognise our role in helping to create a sustainable community. We consider this project as enabling the city to assume a leading position in delivering a sustainable public transport system.

Through our active travel plan, we have invested in sustainable transport for many years and enjoy a productive relationship with local transport providers and City of York Council.

We are happy to provide further information or contribute to the bid dialogue process if that helps.

Yours sincerely,

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