

## Platform for Prosperity Public Consultation Responses

Comments	No. of people raising this issue	Response
<b>Endorsements</b>		
Access to Queen's Park will be improved	9	Noted
Traffic noise will be less audible in Queen's Park and along Queen's Terrace	3	Noted
Approve of the plans for a new footpath and planting in Vokes Memorial Gardens	1	Noted
Approve of the plans to move the Titanic memorial to Vokes Memorial Gardens	1	Noted
Approve of the plans for works to improve existing public open space	1	Noted
The scheme will promote a café culture along Queen's Terrace	1	Noted
Properties along Queen's Terrace will be more desirable	1	Noted
Traffic flow through Oxford Street onto Orchard Place or Queen's Terrace will be reduced	1	Noted
Encouraging to see that the loss of parking for day time businesses will be minimised	1	Noted
Access to the port will be improved	2	Noted
Traffic flow in the area will be improved	4	Noted
The area will be more attractive to visit	2	Noted
Quality of life in the area will be improved	1	Noted
Cycling facilities along Platform Road will be improved	1	Noted
I think it is just what the area requires.	1	Noted
<b>Objections/Concerns</b>		
Queen's Terrace should remain a through route for local traffic	2	The improvements to Platform Road are designed to accommodate the through traffic, which currently uses Queen's Terrace. This closure aims to reduce the existing severance between Queen's Park and the areas of the city centre to the north and west and allows expansion the existing café culture in Oxford Street into Queen's Terrace. Retaining Queen's Terrace as a through route would compromise this aspiration. Alternative routes are available for local traffic movements to access Queen's Terrace and other adjacent streets.
Changing Terminus Terrace/Marsh Lane into two way single lane traffic will exacerbate existing southbound congestion issues	1	This part of the scheme adjacent to Central Bridge will be designed alongside the proposed Local Sustainable Transport Fund east-west cycle route, which will be subject to further public consultation. Capacity will be considered as part of the design process, but this proposal aims to reduce eastbound congestion in Canute Road.
There will be too many sets of traffic lights along Platform Road	6	Due to the high traffic volumes, the traffic signals along Platform Road will provide a number of benefits compared to other junction layouts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Different timing plans can be applied to optimise traffic movements, particularly during periods of busy demand;</li> <li>It is possible to incorporate controlled pedestrian crossing movements.</li> </ul> Consideration was given to implementing a shared space roundabout at the Canute Road / Platform Road / Terminus Terrace junction at an early stage in the design. However, this was rejected as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It would not have provided operated as efficiently during periods of busy traffic demands;</li> <li>It had the potential to block the route from Terminus Terrace to Platform Road when the level crossing in Canute Road is in operation;</li> <li>Pedestrian flows aren't high enough to create the necessary inter-action with vehicles for a successful shared-space scheme</li> </ul>
There needs to be a right hand turn from Canute Road onto Terminus Terrace if Queen's Terrace is to be blocked up	3	The proposal is now to allow this right turn.
Is Canute Road to become one lane driving towards Dock Gate 4? This will cause congestion as the road is currently two lanes	1	This will be reconsidered at the detail design stage. The traffic island currently shown on the plan at the end of Canute Road is probably not necessary.
There should be no parking along Queen's Terrace / Concerned about proposed parking arrangements	2	The proposed layout intends to improve Queen's Park by removing the existing off street car park and replacing it with on-street parking in Queen's Terrace. It is likely that the majority of the parking will be in the section west of Latimer Street. A working group will be established to design the layout in Queen's Terrace.
There no commitment to implement traffic routing up Terminus Terrace onto Central Bridge	2	It is intended to deliver the scheme, which will permit traffic from Terminus Terrace to access Central Bridge.
Closing Queen's Terrace will not generate increased usage of Queen's Park	1	Current traffic movements around Queen's Park create severance between surrounding areas. The scheme will significantly reduce traffic flows along the northern and western frontages of the car park, which will improve its accessibility. We anticipate that this will increase usage of the park.
The proposed traffic lights at the junction of Canute Road and Terminus Terrace combined with the railway crossing on Canute Road will bring traffic to a standstill	1	The City Council will liaise with Network Rail to provide a link between the proposed traffic signals and the level crossing, to operate a specific timing plan when the level crossing is in operation. The scheme will allow eastbound

		traffic to avoid Canute Road by using Terminus Terrace and Central Bridge.
Has access into Union Castle House and Pilgrim House been considered?	1	Vehicular access to Union Castle House and Pilgrim House will be via an uncontrolled access within the proposed Canute Road / Platform Road / Terminus Terrace traffic signal junction. Whilst this is not an ideal situation, there are other examples within the city and they have not created any specific road safety problems.
Residents living along Lower Canal Walk will now be unable to turn right onto Platform Road	2	For road safety reasons, it is proposed to ban the right turn out of Lower Canal Walk. Traffic will be able to U-turn at the new traffic signal junction at Gate 5.
It should be possible to turn right into Lower Canal Walk from Platform Road	2	For road safety reasons, it is proposed to ban the right turn into Lower Canal Walk. There is an alternative movement available via Orchard Place, Briton Street and the High Street for traffic approaching Lower Canal Walk from the east.
The proposed width of Platform Road seems quite wide	1	The scheme has been designed to accommodate peak travel demands for cruise traffic, which required two right turn lanes into Eastern Docks. The lane widths throughout the scheme are narrower than traditional road designs.
Traffic speeds along Platform Road will increase	2	Platform Road is currently a wide road with no specific constraints to prevent vehicles from speeding. The proposed layout has narrower lane widths than the existing layout, so there is no reason why speeds would increase. This situation will be monitored.
Will access for delivery vehicles be permitted along Queen's Terrace?	1	Yes. Although it is proposed to close Queen's Terrace as a through route, it will still remain open for local access including delivery vehicles.
This scheme will only benefit Associated British Ports	5	A key reason for delivering the scheme is to improve access to and from the Port of Southampton. However, the Port is extremely important to the local and national economy. The scheme will also improve traffic movements for local people using the route, improve the accessibility and setting of Queen's Park and allow expansion of the existing café culture in Oxford Street to Queen's Terrace.
The scheme will not result in economic growth	1	The scheme will ensure that the Port of Southampton can maintain and increase its economic activity in line with the Port Master Plan. The scheme will also provide infrastructure to support further regeneration in the city centre, including the Royal Pier and Town Depot redevelopment sites. The economic growth anticipated from the scheme was included as part of the bid to Central Government for Regional Growth Fund monies.
There will be an increase in traffic flows as a consequence of the scheme	6	The Port Master Plan anticipates an increase in port activity over the period to 2030. This will lead to increase overall traffic movements to and from the Port, including Platform Road. This is offset to some extent by the City Council's balanced transport strategy, which is aiming to maximise the number of journeys, which can be made by alternative modes to the private car. The City Council recently secured nearly £4m from the Local Sustainable Transport Fund to promote sustainable travel choices.
There will be an increase in noise and air pollution as a consequence of the scheme	3	The City Council has commissioned detailed to work to assess the noise and air pollution impacts of the scheme.
Will there be any monitoring of air pollution and where will the equipment be housed?	2	A detailed Air Quality Assessment will be undertaken using the advanced dispersion model, ADMS-Roads, in accordance with Local Air Quality Management Technical Guidance, 2009. The assessment will compare the pre and post works pollutant concentrations at key receptor locations and assess the significance of those changes in accordance with Environmental Protection, UK (EPUK) guidance. Verification of the model will be carried out using three local diffusion tubes (Town Quay, SWH and 6-7 Canute Road). Locations of continuous analysers are not considered representative of air quality within the study area and therefore will not be considered.  At this stage we do not envisage carrying out any monitoring after the scheme is complete, however, this is dependant upon the results of the assessment. The Environmental Health Officer has not raised any concerns or requested additional monitoring to be carried out. The Local Authority will continue with the ongoing monitoring of air quality within their district in line with Part IV of the Environment Act.
There will be an increase in anti-social behaviour along Platform Road as a consequence of the scheme	1	There is no specific reason for this to occur.
The scheme will just move traffic to bottlenecks in neighbouring areas i.e. the single carriageway section outside the Red Funnel Terminal	3	Short term improvements are being considered along this section of Town Quay to address this issue in advance of more permanent improvements, which would be implemented alongside the Royal Pier redevelopment.
The scheme will decrease the value of properties in the area	6	Compensation can be claimed for a property that has been reduced in value caused by the physical factors of the use of a new or altered road. Compensation is available in these circumstances and details of the claims procedure will be published towards the end of the works, when the Compensation Statutory Timetable commences.
The scheme will cause inconvenience and disruption	1	There may be some disruption during construction of the scheme, but we will aim to keep this to a minimum.
The scheme will lead to a loss of earnings within the area	1	The scheme aims to increase economic growth in the port

		and surrounding area, so this is unlikely.
The scheme will remove the disabled and City Car Club parking bays outside Union Castle House	1	These bays will be relocated nearby into Queen's Terrace.
Will the traffic lights at Canute Road allow residents to exit and drive up Terminus Terrace or will they be limited to turning up Platform Road	1	It is now proposed to permit the right turn from Canute Road into Terminus Terrace.
There should be a filter lane out of Dock Gate 5 rather than an additional set of traffic lights	1	The filter lane would not allow controlled pedestrian crossings to be provided at this junction and would only operate as a single lane. The proposed junction has two left turn lanes for traffic exiting the Port. During periods when high volumes of traffic exit the Port, the signal timings can be adjusted to maximise capacity for this movement.
Concerned about car parking at Admiralty House	4	The scheme has been modified to provide an on street parking lay-by on Platform Road in front of Admiralty House, which could accommodate six spaces. Whilst resident only permits are not currently available in the city centre, the policy on this is under review. For Admiralty House residents who rent spaces from ABP in the Pan Handle Car park, ABP will offer alternative spaces in the Triangle car park further west.
Concerned that there may be a reduction in passing trade along Queen's Terrace	1	Whilst the scheme will reduce the volumes of traffic using Queen's Terrace, the proposed scheme will make Queen's Terrace a much more attractive place, which should encourage higher levels of pedestrian activity.
The scheme has not considered the needs or well being of residents in the area	2	The scheme will potentially disadvantage some residents and others will also benefit. For large scale infrastructure projects, it is usually impossible to design a scheme, which meets everybody's requirements. Compensation can be claimed for a property that has been reduced in value caused by the physical factors of the use of a new or altered road. Compensation is available in these circumstances and details of the claims procedure will be published towards the end of the works, when the Compensation Statutory Timetable commences.
Will adequate provision be made for cyclists as part of the scheme / More detail is needed	5	A shared use cycle route is provided along the whole length of the route from Town Quay to Canute Road. The existing north south route from Gate 4 via Latimer Street will also be maintained. Signal controlled crossings will be provided for cyclists at the main junctions along Platform Road.
Will the bus stops along Queen's Terrace be relocated elsewhere?	1	The eastbound bus stop on Queen's Terrace will be relocated to Platform Road.
More detail on traffic movements into and out of Terminus Terrace is needed	2	It is anticipated that northbound traffic flows will increase to some extent, as some eastbound traffic that currently uses Canute Road will divert via Terminus Terrace and Central Bridge. This part of the scheme will be subject to further consultation as part of the east west cycle route proposals in the area. As part of this work, we will estimate future traffic flows in Terminus Terrace.
More detail on the landscaping proposals for the car park at the end of Queen's Terrace is needed	2	This will be developed alongside the public realm enhancements in Queen's Terrace and a working group will be established to deal with this.
More detail on the hard surfacing proposals adjacent to God House Tower (an ancient monument) is needed	1	Appropriate materials will be used that are sympathetic to the ancient monument. The City Council is liaising closely with English Heritage about the scheme proposals.
More detail on access arrangements for Lower Canal Walk is needed	1	The current proposal is that the access into Lower Canal Walk will become left-in / left-out only. Alternative routes are available for traffic affected by the banned right turns.
More detail on access/parking arrangements for Queen's Terrace is needed	2	A working group will be established to develop the detail design of Queen's Terrace, including parking arrangements.
The scheme will lead to the loss of part of Vokes Memorial Gardens / Landscaping arrangements will not be adequate	4	The Pan Handle Car Park will be acquired to replace the section of Vokes Memorial Gardens, which will be taken by the scheme.
Does the landscaping have the approval of SCAPPS?	1	SCAPPS have been fully consulted on the Open Space proposals. The City Council are awaiting the formal response from SCAPPS, although they have indicated that in principle they are in favour of the scheme, subject to set conditions.
Will the proposed angled parking make up for the loss of the car park at the end of Queen's Terrace?	1	Yes. There will be no net loss in public car parking spaces.
Admiralty House is a Grade II Listed Building and the proposed scheme will encroach on the visual appeal of building	3	English Heritage has been consulted about the scheme proposals. The scheme will provide a park directly in front of Admiralty House, replacing the existing Pan Handle Car Park, which will improve its setting.
Are there any plans to block off the route along Orchard Place?	1	No. Orchard Place will become two way, providing local access to the area.
If Red Funnel is moved, will there still be a free bus?	1	This scheme would not result in the relocation Red Funnel. This may happen at a future date as part of the Royal Pier development. This issue will be addressed at that stage.
Will abnormal loads continue to enter Dock Gate 4?	2	Yes.
The scheme may affect a colony of bats at Admiralty House	2	A detailed survey of bats is being undertaken as part of the assessment of the scheme's impact on the natural environment.
Do the proposals provide a routes for cyclists trying to head east from Dock Gate 4	1	Yes. A shared use route will be provided as far as the junction with Canute Road.
The plan is lacking vision with cycling treated almost as an afterthought. It sees the creation of a shared path split by two sets of traffic lights.	1	A shared use cycle route will be provided along the whole length of the scheme from Town Quay to Canute Road, where there is currently no facility. In addition, the downgrading of Queen's Terrace will make this an attractive east-west route for cyclists. The existing north south route

		from Gate 4 to Latimer Street will be maintained.
<b>Suggestions</b>		
Could southbound traffic for the docks be diverted via Northam Road, Britannia Road, Marine Parade, Endle Street and Canute Road or HGVs made to use the Western Approach? (i.e. away from City Centre residential areas)	2	The majority of HGV traffic to / from the Port of Southampton does currently use the Western Approach. Delivery of the Platform Road scheme will make this an even more attractive option. The alternative route suggested would also pass residents.
Could Keep Clear markings be placed on the High Street at the junction with Winkle Street to allow easier to turn into and out of this side road?	1	This will be considered separately from the Platform Road scheme, but should be feasible.
Could Keep Clear markings be placed on Terminus Terrace at the entrance to South Western House to allow easier access into and out of this entrance?	3	This will be considered separately from the Platform Road scheme, but should be feasible.
The railway line crossing Canute Road needs to be converted to a barrier controlled level crossing due to increased usage	3	The City Council will be liaising with Network Rail as part of the scheme. The understanding is that Network Rail do not currently have plans to add barriers to the crossing.
The railway crossing needs to be sequence with the traffic lights	1	The City Council will liaise with Network Rail over this issue.
Could a roundabout be installed at the junction of Canute Road and Terminus Terrace to facilitate right hand turns from Canute Road?	2	<p>Consideration was given to implementing a shared space roundabout at the Canute Road / Platform Road junction at an early stage in the design. However, this was rejected as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It would not have provided operated as efficiently during periods of busy traffic demands;</li> <li>It had the potential to block the route from Terminus Terrace to Platform Road when the level crossing in Canute Road is in operation;</li> <li>Pedestrian flows aren't high enough to create the necessary inter-action with vehicles for a successful shared-space scheme</li> </ul> <p>It is now proposed to permit the right turn from Canute Road into Terminus Terrace.</p>
Is there to be some form of traffic control to facilitate easier access onto Central Bridge from Saltmarsh Road for traffic travelling eastbound?	1	There are no current proposals to change the layout in Saltmarsh Road, although the roundabout with Central Bridge and the Itchen Bridge will be looked at as part of the proposed east west cycle route.
The car park at the end of Queen's Terrace is well used. If it is to be closed, provision for parking needs to be met elsewhere in the local area	1	The spaces in this car park will be re-provided in Queen's Terrace. There will be no net loss in public car parking spaces.
Could there a kerb build out at junction of French Street and Town Quay to prevent people driving up what is a one way street?	1	This will be considered as part of the works in Town Quay.
Could a filter be put on the traffic lights at Ocean Village to allow a right hand turn from Canute Road onto Royal Crescent Road	1	It is not possible for traffic to turn in and out of Royal Crescent Road at the same time, as the swept path of larger vehicles uses the full width of the carriageway.
Please retain the coach stops along Platform Road opposite the Platform Tavern	1	We will consider alternative locations for these coach bays, which will be advertised through the Traffic Regulation Order changes.
Could traffic flows be permitted to continue along Marsh Lane onto Kingsway?	1	There are historic proposals to remove the Threefield Lane Gyratory and make Marsh Lane a two-way through route. This will be considered as part of wider transport proposals to support the City Centre Master Plan and is not proposed for implementation as part of this scheme.
Please ensure that the additional footway width alongside the Old Bowling Green is carried forward	1	Noted.
The road needs to be desirable to walk along	1	The scheme will provide footways along both sides of Platform Road. In addition, a path will also be provided through Vokes Memorial Gardens. Queen's Terrace will become a much more attractive pedestrian route due to the significant reduction in traffic volumes.
The left hand turn out of Dock Gate 5 should be suitable for HGV loads	1	We will look at this issue as part of the detail design to ensure these vehicle movements can be accommodated.
Could good vehicles be prevented from accessing Bernard Street?	1	There are no proposals to prevent HGV access to Bernard Street. There are legitimate access requirements for HGVs in this street.
Could one way signs along Bernard Street be improved?	1	This will be considered separately from the Platform Road scheme.
There should be some form of new public art or display in Queen's Park for the benefit of cruise passengers	1	This will be considered as part of the detail design of Queen's Terrace and the eastern end of Queen's Park.
It would be good to see more cafes, restaurants and food retail in the area including within Queen's Park (similar to Café in the Park in East Park)	3	The changes in Queens' Terrace will make this a more attractive location for this type of business.
A "You are Here" sign displaying local walking routes should be installed in Queen's Park	1	As part of the detail design, consideration will be given to extending Legible City signing.
Please ensure proposed landscaping of the scheme is used to increase visual appeal and reduce noise pollution	5	These issues will be considered in the detail design.
Could a link road to the car park adjacent to Admiralty House be provided or the issue over access to car park across ABP land resolved?	5	ABP are not willing to allow access to be provided to the vacant land adjacent to Admiralty House, although they are willing to maintain parking provision for residents who currently lease a parking space in the Pan Handle Car Park, with new spaces provided in the Triangle car park to the west. The scheme has been redesigned to accommodate an on street parking lay-by on Platform Road in front of Admiralty House. Current policy means there are currently no on highway resident only permit zones in the city centre, although this is currently subject to review.
Terminus Terrace needs resurfacing	1	This will be considered at the detail design stage.
Why not build a tunnel along Platform Road	1	There is insufficient funding available to build a tunnel.
The abandoned partially completed buildings on the corner	1	This is outside the scope of the scheme.

of Canute Road/Royal Crescent Road should be pulled down		
Cruise passengers should be encouraged visit Southampton's local attractions and businesses	1	This is outside the scope of the scheme, but the improvements to Queen's Park and existing improvements to Oxford Street are creating a more attractive environment close to the part of the Port used by cruise ship passengers.
Could a boulevard feel be created along Platform Road? (additional landscaping etc)	1	The detail design of the scheme will focus on creating a boulevard feel rather than an urban motorway. Landscaping on the south side of Platform Road will include new trees to complement the existing trees on the north side in Queen's Park.
Could reduced rate parking be introduced for residents?	1	Current policy means there are currently no on highway resident only permit zones in the city centre, although this is currently subject to review.
Traffic flows along Canute Road could be improved by removing parking bays on this road	1	There is no proposal to remove parking bays in Canute Road.
Plans do not go far enough to help reduce congestion along Canute Road. Suggest the Platform Road are contingent on a prior agreement to adopt the changes to the Central Bridge and / or remove parking bays along Canute Road.	1	The proposals would provide an alternative route for eastbound traffic to bypass Canute Road when travelling to the Itchen Bridge. This should improve congestion.
Scheme will increase traffic along Terminus Terrace. Suggest scheme introduces TRO banning HGV's from using The Avenue / Terminus Terrace route to the Eastern Docks.	1	The Platform Road scheme should make it more attractive for HGVs to use the Western Approach when accessing the Port of Southampton. For contingency purposes, alternative access has been maintained to the Port via The Avenue / Terminus Terrace. It is recommended that this issue is reconsidered separately from the Platform Road scheme.
During construction, please ensure the cycling can safely travel in all directions from Dock Gate 4.	1	Noted. This will be considered when the detailed traffic management plan is developed for the implementation of the scheme.
Under the public realm improvements to Queens Terrace, will there be more improvements to Queens Park.	1	Queen's Park will be enhanced at its eastern end, where the off street car park is currently located. Unfortunately, the recent application for Heritage Lottery Funding for wider upgrades within the park, was unsuccessful, although there is some S106 funding available for improvements.
Under the public realm improvements to Queens Terrace, is there any plans to offer residents and businesses permit parking.	1	Current policy does not permit on street resident or business permits within the city centre. However, this is currently under review.
Extend Environmental Improvements along Queens Terrace west of Latimer Street to incorporate Havelock Chambers	1	This can be considered during the detailed design of Queen's Terrace.

