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22/06/2020		<p>I would like to say thank you for listening to the concerned community of Levenshulme with regards to the Levenshulme Bee Network. I understand that this must have been a hard decision to make. Although we have been made out to look like a group of rebels I assure you that we are not, it could not be further from the truth.</p> <p>We tried to voice our concerns directly with the LBN and put forward other ideas that would go in hand with the project but we were unfortunately met with complete ignorance and abuse from their followers which was not nice to say the least.</p> <p>The fact is that Levenshulme does need change and the majority of us welcome it but we felt very strongly that the LBN were not handling it correctly, I will say that some of the work that they have done is indeed positive, however too much of it was not.</p> <p>So, I thank you for your actions towards this matter and I think that the huge divide that has been caused to the Levenshulme by the LBN and some of their followers now needs to be mended and hopefully we can turn this into something extremely positive for all who live here.</p> <p>I am sure I have missed people off the list to send this to but please ensure that our gratitude is passed on.</p> <p>Kind Regards</p> <p>I also speak on behalf of my Parents for this matter, who are unfortunately dreadful with computers!</p>
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15/07/2020		<p>Dear Sir / Madam</p> <p>Thankyou for your correspondence.</p> <p>The Project is still very much progressing, and we are taking the opportunity to consolidate plans and listen to all members of the community before the trial commences. We felt that there were still some concerns over the detail and specific intentions of the trial and elements were misunderstood. With this in mind, we decided to take the coordination of the remaining engagement and delivery into the Highways Team before the trial commences.</p> <p>Kind regards</p>

14/07/2020	<p>Hello,</p> <p>I was disappointed to hear about the removal of the Levenshulme Bee Network (LBN) from the 'Our Active Neighbourhood Project'. Intervention regarding reducing traffic and increasing the safety of pedestrians/cyclists in Levenshulme is still desperately needed.</p> <p>I understand the critiques of LBN and the narrow reach of their consultation, but the sentiment in Levenshulme is still overwhelmingly pro-intervention, perhaps to an even greater extent than LBN were suggesting, expanding their vision to include larger roads such as Broom Lane, Cromwell Grove and Matthews Lane. I am concerned the problems people had with LBN are being misunderstood to mean those people are against any intervention in Levenshulme.</p> <p>As the COVID crisis continues, we need to prepare for a future where public transport may be too hazardous for some, but people will still need to get to their jobs. This new transport could take two forms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- *Walking and cycling:* Those who are physically able could switch from public transport to walking/cycling, and will require better pavements/cycle lane infrastructure to ensure their safety. They would also benefit from traffic calming to encourage more people to travel in this fashion. This may even include e-bikes and e-scooters in the future.</li> <li>- *Driving: *Those too vulnerable for public transport and unable to walk/cycle will need to drive or get a taxi. This will be more manageable if people who don't require a car use alternate forms of transport such as walking/cycling. By only having those on the road who need to be there you make things more accessible for those who rely on driving.</li> </ul> <p>With this announcement, I am seeking clarification into some details of</p>
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		<p>With this announcement, I am seeking clarification into some details of this project and how MCC intends to carry it forward. I have three questions specifically:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. I understand from LBN's announcement that the project related to the £2.5 million from the mayor's challenge fund is still going ahead, just without the involvement of LBN. Is this correct?</li> <li>2. Is there going to be an announcement regarding the future plans for the above funding and the decision process for which interventions it funds (eg. will all residents be consulted)?</li> <li>3. I understand the mayor's challenge funding has a prerequisite that any interventions must be implemented (trial and permanent measures) by March 2022. Is this still the timeline, and if not what is the mechanism to ensure the mayor's challenge funding is not lost?</li> </ol> <p>Thank you for taking time to read this email, I still believe Levenshulme has the ability to make big changes that benefit all of its residents, but I'm concerned the timeframe to do so is getting smaller by the day.</p> <p>Best wishes,</p>
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14/07/2020		<p>Hi</p> <p>I appreciate you getting back to me, unfortunately I feel your response is just a generic reply and not a true response to my complaint.</p> <p>Local residents are not experts in town planning, air pollution or traffic control - The trial was the only way to test what works and what doesn't - your capitulation on this matter not only undermines the expertise behind the scheme but also hands power over to a minority of nimbies - who will never agree to the trial or project, regardless of how much you water it down.</p> <p>I implore you to use your position to commit to a better future for the people you represent now and for future generations too.</p> <p>Surely you want your political legacy to be a positive one - not a story of missed opportunities and half measures?</p> <p>Kind regards</p>
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		<p>Dear ,</p> <p>I hope you are well.</p> <p>Today I attended the protest in Levenshulme calling for safe cycling routes though the area and along the A6. It is sad that despite dangerous levels of air pollution, rising obesity and the current limited capacity of public transport that Manchester is resisting calls for cycle lanes. Safety is often cited as as a barrier to the wider adoption of cycling that is seen in other countries. High quality cycling infrastructure would help solve many of the problems we face. Additionally there is growing evidence that air pollution worsens the effects of Covid, possibly explaining why some of the poorest and most deprived communities have be worse hit. As we return to work, minimising avoidable car use has never been so important.</p> <p>While Manchester has provided a few great flagship projects like Oxford Road and the new CYCLOPS junction in Hulme, most of the city and suburbs are left behind. Combined with the pause of the Levy Bee Lines project, delay of the clean air zone and continued reduction in bus routes it seems that Manchester commitment to active travel is only superficial.</p> <p>A week ago the Guardian reported that Conservative councils were blocking progress on cycling, but it seems that Manchester Labour Council are no better</p>
		<p>Hi</p> <p>Many thanks for the email. It states that the Councillors are going to be working with the LBN to draw up the new plans. Given the Clean Air targets, what data will be used/gathered to support these decisions?</p> <p>I still have numerous questions outstanding that have not been answered. What do I do with these?</p> <p>Many thanks,</p>
	-	<p>Dear ,</p> <p>Thank you for your response.</p> <p>It is encouraging to hear the project is progressing, but this email only reiterates the Council's previous statement and does not share any further</p>

		<p>regenerates the Council's previous statement and does not share any further information about when and what is actually happening to the project. When should we expect such further detail? Is there a revised timetable you could share in the meantime?, especially as the MCF funding is time limited. What do you mean by: "The project team will also be establishing local community groups to help in the engagement and feedback process in advance of and during the trial period." Which community groups? are these already existing groups or groups that MCC will establish?</p> <p>You also did not address my question over who and what groups have the Council (its officers and Councillors) been engaging with in Levenshulme and Burnage since the Council parted company with the previous community group and project team?</p> <p>I would suggest that you watch the entirety of this recently released video/interview of one of the lead organisers of the objection group in Levenshulme (Both the 'Levenshulme Bee Network: Unfiltered Streets Feedback Facebook Group'; and the 'One Levenshulme &amp; Co' group) with a London based (Tower Hamlets) Labour Councillor who is also opposing Low Traffic Neighbourhoods in his ward also. It contains many mistruths, misinformation and some questionable opinions. It is recommended viewing for not only yourself, but Burnage and Levenshulme Councillors.</p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9CPzoCsate4">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9CPzoCsate4</a>  <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9CPzoCsate4">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9CPzoCsate4</a></p> <p>VOTH #011 - Interview with Grassroots LTN Campaigner (Livable Streets)  <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9CPzoCsate4">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9CPzoCsate4</a></p> <p>VOTH #011 - Interview with Grassroots LTN Campaigner (Livable Streets)  The petition on Livable Streets has reached over 2,000, therefore a full debate should be scheduled. In order to aid the debate, I got in touch with campaigners in a working-class area of Manchester, who stopped the scheme known as Low Traffic Neighbourhood (LTN ...  <a href="http://www.youtube.com">www.youtube.com</a> Yours sincerely,</p>
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		<p>My colleague has been in contact with you recently on behalf of Mr</p> <p>Mr is hoping to acquire the direct contact of the officers who are running the Levenshulme Bee Network Project, Mr has sent in some information but hasn't received a response to date. (see attached correspondence)</p> <p>We would be grateful if you can provide the name and contact details of the officer/s who are dealing with this so I can pass on to Mr</p>
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		<p>Note from</p> <p>I emailed you on 17/08/20 in regards to Streets for People, and since then, I have received a further email and attachments with signatories, attached.</p> <p>Can you, or someone from your team, provide me with a full response to the issues that have been raised as soon as possible as I need to be able to reply back to the writer please?</p> <p>We the undersigned are individuals who live, work or have children who go to school in Levenshulme and Burnage, or are organisations and businesses in those areas.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. We want to make our streets safer and more welcoming places for walking, cycling and other forms of non-motorised travel, through the creation of Low Traffic Neighbourhoods.</li> <li>2. We want to make our streets better places to play and socialise, including the creation of more green areas.</li> <li>3. We want to improve air quality and the health of our residents.</li> <li>4. We want to make travel easier for those of us who struggle to afford cars and public transport.</li> <li>5. We want to help play our part in Burnage and Levenshulme to face up to the climate emergency.</li> </ol> <p>We want these positive changes for everyone who lives, works or goes to school in our neighbourhood, of every age, ability and background, whichever street they live on. We recognise that altering our streets to make this happen will mean a period of adjustment, while travel habits change for the better. We want the whole community to come together to make that positive change happen without delay, and to support and listen to each other in that process.</p> <p>We ask that Manchester City Council (including elected officials and staff) do everything in their power to ensure greatly improved walking and cycling facilities are very quickly provided across Levenshulme and Burnage.</p> <p>Followed by a list of signatories.</p>
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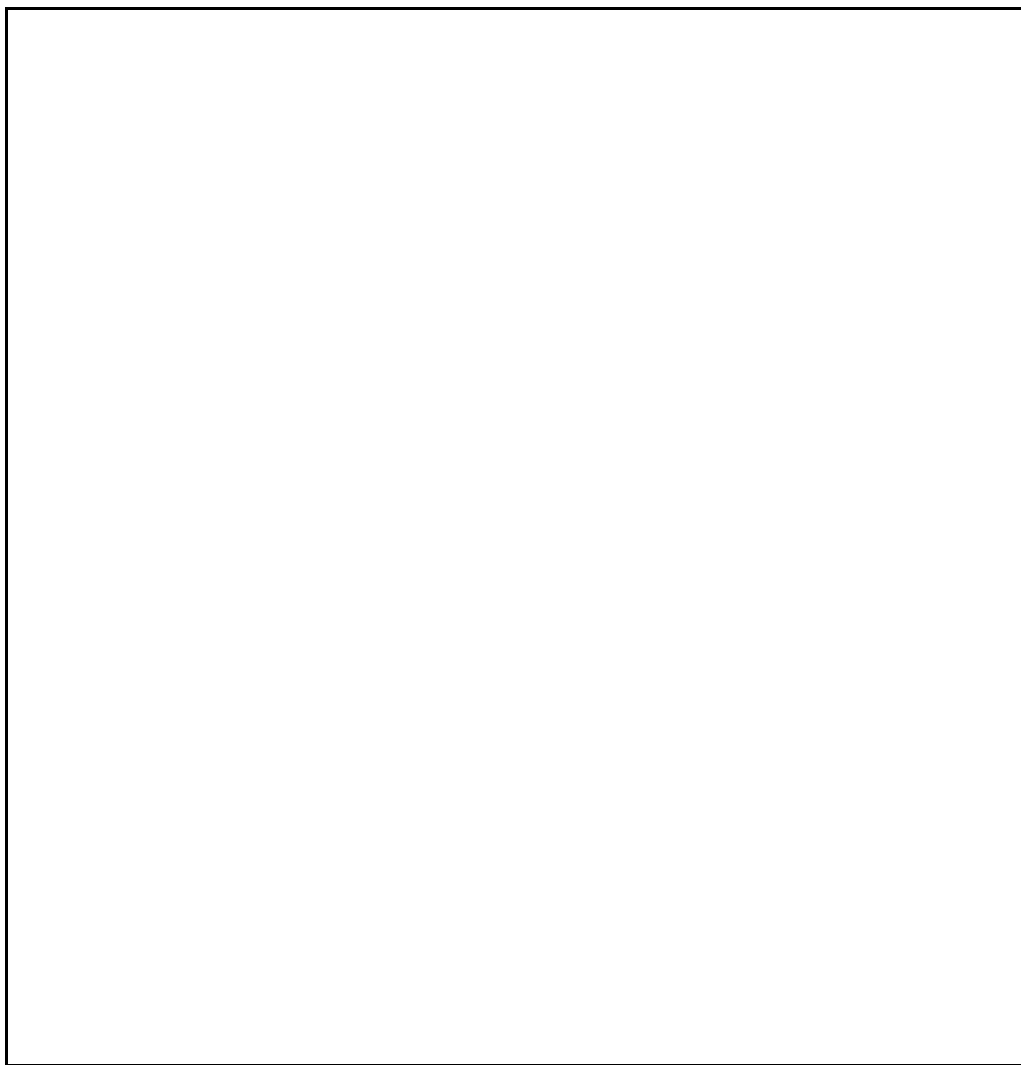
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Yes



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Yes



Dear

Thank you for meeting with us the other week to discuss the proposed plans for the area. I have attached our comments/concerns about the plans.

Can I also mention that we have been informed that in one of the webinars that local residents were advised that the plans were developed in consultation with the schools. We do not consider that the work that you did with our Y5 was consultation on the plans, as the plans were not on the table at that stage, but that the children talked about what they liked and didn't like about their journey to school. You did not bring the proposals for the area into school and consult with the children, the first consultation was after the plans were released to the local community and this is now our feedback on those plans

We look forward to you addressing our concerns





Hello

In your previous email, 17th August, you stated that 'new lines of communication will be established and rolled out over the coming week' - yet nothing happened.

It's two months since the trial should have started. The people of Levenshulme have had no update since the project was abruptly stopped.

It's unacceptable. It's also unacceptable the the local councillors are essentially conducting a media blackout so people can't comment on the huge frustration in the area.

How do I lodge an official complaint about the lack of information and the total absence of the ward councillors?

Kind regards

Response		
<p>Thankyou for your email dated 15th July 2020, the contents of which have been noted.</p> <p>MCC highways team are refocusing the project and further information will be released once a peer review of the trial scheme is completed.</p> <p>Kind regards</p>		

<p>Thank you for your correspondence regarding the Active Neighborhoods Project.</p> <p>Further public engagement will be conducted by Manchester City Highways Major Projects team in due course and clear lines of communication will be established moving forwards. There was a feeling that the engagement to date wasn't deep enough, so we've listened to that, and will be reviewing the design and asking for feedback once more before a trial is rolled out. The focus will be on delivering the trial filters initially and this will inform permanent design through a live consultation period of 6 months, where air quality, traffic movements and volumes will be monitored alongside the changing habits of all highway users.</p> <p>Kind regards</p>		



Thankyou for your email dated14th July 2020.

The MCC highways team are undertaking a review of the work to date and a peer review will be undertaken before next steps are announced in due course. We are committed to delivering this project, and the trial is the first step towards a comprehensive consultation exercise to gather more feedback from residents, businesses and all stakeholders alike. The timelines for funding remain unchanged, though the process starts with a solid trial that feeds into an intelligence lead design for supporting the business case as the scheme progresses. Any interventions we introduce have to contribute to the core benefits required of the business case, the decisions made for the interventions will be intelligence led and the community will be engaged throughout the trial for this purpose.

Kind regards

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Many thanks for your correspondence.

The project is still very much progressing, and we have taken the decision to coordinate the project through the Manchester City Council Major Projects team. Communication lines will be established and rolled out over the coming week. We are reviewing all elements of the design work completed to date, and we want to ensure that the remaining community engagement is completed in good time before the trial is rolled out. There was a feeling by some within the districts that the engagement to date wasn't comprehensive enough, so we need to address those concerns before revising the trial installation date.

Kind regards.

<p>Many thanks for your correspondence.</p> <p>The Project is still very much progressing, and we are taking the opportunity to consolidate plans and listen to all members of the community before the trial commences.</p> <p>Further public engagement will be conducted by Manchester City Highways Major Projects team in due course and clear lines of communication will be established moving forwards. There was a feeling that the engagement to date wasn't deep enough, so we've listened to that, and will be reviewing the design and asking for feedback once more before a trial is rolled out. The focus will be on delivering the trial filters initially and this will inform permanent design through a live consultation period of 6 months, where air quality, traffic movements and volumes will be monitored alongside the changing habits of all highway users.</p> <p>Kind regards</p>		
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The timeline is currently being reviewed in line with the requirements of TfGM and a further engagement strategy prior to a trial installation. Once the dates have been agreed, the information will be shared and distributed with all.

In regards to the local community engagement groups; the groups are currently in existence they will be established as part of the new consultation arrangements. They will include a resident member, people who own local businesses and other services; as you can appreciate we are still in discussion with the Executive Members to determine the exact arrangements of the groups.

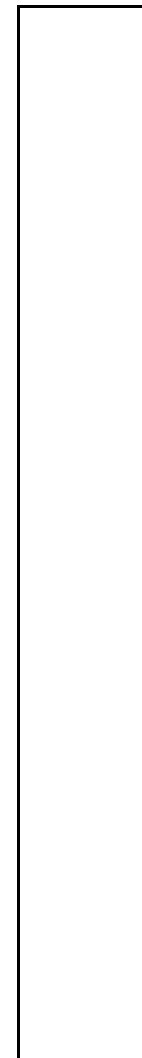
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<p>Many thanks for your correspondence.</p> <p>Mr      will have received a response on (Tina please can you enter the date that Mr response was sent over?)</p> <p>Kind regards,</p>		
	<p>Dear</p> <p>Many thanks for your correspondence.</p> <p>Further public consultation will be conducted. The consultation plan specifically includes school groups and local community engagement groups; . The project team is in the process of formalising the next communications and strategy, once this has been decided everyone will be made aware through the proper channels and everyone will have their chance to comment on the trials</p> <p>Kind regards,</p>	

	<p>Dear</p> <p>Thankyou for your corospondance.</p> <p>The trial plans will soon be available for public consultation and feedback ahead of any decision to install the measures as pat of a trial.</p> <p>The aim of a filtered or active neighbourhood it to reduce rat running traffic by making it less appealing to use in the process.</p> <p>Your suggestions have been passed to the project team for review, whilst we can't guarentee your suggestions will be taken forwards, if they fir within the scope and objectives of the project they will be considered.</p> <p>Kind regards</p>	
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Dear Streets for People,  
Thankyou for your letter and follow up corospondance, the contents of which have been noted.  
Everyone will get their chance to comment and feedback on the scheme proposals in due course. We hope to be entering the next phase of engagement in the latter part of September.  
kind regards





Dear

Many thanks for your correspondence.

We expect formal engagement to commence in September where suggestions and opinions on the proposed trial installation will be gained across the wards before a design review will be undertaken with the highways department and fund coordinator at TfGM. The trial, if taken forward, will be rolled out in due course, signalling the start of a 6 month formal consultation whereby the design and installation feedback is collated and feeds into the permanent design.

Air quality base lines are available in adjacent areas, however if and when the trial is agreed, we will establish air quality and traffic monitors specifically relating to the trial at strategic locations

Kind regards,