

# Govan Ward

## Spaces for People Commonplace Report

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### About this report

The Glasgow Spaces for People [Commonplace Mapping Tool](#) allows members of the public to highlight areas across the city centre and local neighbourhoods where emergency temporary measures such as pavement widening and new cycle lanes could be introduced to help people maintain physical distancing and suppress a resurgence of COVID-19.

This report summarizes the suggestions made by members of the public in the five weeks between 5 June 2020 and 10 July 2020.

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### The total number of contributions in Govan Ward is 936

The ward with the most contributions is Anderston/Yorkhill/City with 3279 contributions.

The total number of contributions across the city is 16,922.

## Most Popular Ideas So Far in Govan Ward

	Location	Suggestions	Further Comments
1	<a href="#"><u>Mavisbank Gardens South Clyde Path</u></a>	Remove gates & fencing to allow access to path	<p><i>While the north bank of the Clyde has a cycle/walking path along its length, the southern side has no such single direct path into the city centre (from Govan/Ibrox/Kinning Park.</i></p> <p><i>There used to be an open path between the Arc bridge, past Mavisbank Gardens and the Quay, and into Tradeston - however the Mavisbank Gardens section has been closed to the public for a few years (I have seen that this is because it is a "private space" for the landowners.</i></p> <p><i>This is hugely frustrating, as connecting to the north side cycle route is not easy from the south - it involves joining traffic across the Clyde Arc bridge, or haphazardly cycling across the pavement of this bridge, which should be avoided at the best of times.</i></p> <p><i>We really need this south side path to be reopened for 2 reasons:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>1. To ease congestion on the north side path leading to the city centre via Broomielaw, and allow safe space for social distancing while commuting.</i></li> <li><i>2. To provide a safe and *direct* cycle route to the city centre for inhabitants of the Glasgow, west of Tradeston.</i></li> </ol> <p><i>If this is not an option, cycle crossings of the Clyde Arc bridge must be made easier and safer.</i></p> <p><i>Note: this path need only be reopened from the Arc Bridge to The Quay. From there, cyclists can then make use of the A8 Tradeston cycle lane, so avoiding</i></p>

			<i>the collapsed riverbank east of the Kingston Bridge.</i>
2	<a href="#">Path On South Bank Of Clyde</a>	Remove barriers reopen path	<p><i>Riverside path is blocked west of Springfield Quay. Please, reopen this.</i></p> <p><i>Cyclists are forced onto one of the busiest major roads in the city, west of the Tradeston cycle path. This stretch of PRW could be bypassed by cyclists if they were allowed access to the existing (but fenced off) cycle path between Springfield Quay and the Squinty Bridge.</i></p> <p><i>Traffic on this stretch is particularly daunting, as much is coming off or going on to the motorway at Kingston Bridge. Please find a way to allow cyclists from the South West to avoid this stretch and access a Clyde side route into the city easily.</i></p>
3	<a href="#">A77</a>	Add protected cycle lane to main road	<i>Very dangerous having to turn left under railway bridge and share road with heavy vehicles, cyclists along the a77 should be able to continue straight and go over the bridge into town that way.</i>
4	<a href="#">Tradeston Cycle Path</a>	Add protected cycle lane to main road  Extend this route westwards via Clydeside	<p><i>The (excellent) Tradeston cycle lane ends abruptly here, forcing cyclists onto the pavement, or onto one of the busiest most intimidating stretches of road in the whole city.</i></p> <p><i>In essence, entire stretch of Paisley Road West between Clyde Arc and this point has no safe route for cyclists. This (very good) stretch of cycle lane is extremely difficult to access for anyone west of the Kingston Bridge, wanting to journey eastwards into the city.</i></p> <p><i>It's frustrating as the Tradeston path is very high quality, and connects into the city AND the south side via the South West City Way.</i></p> <p><i>Please find a way of extending access to this Tradeston route westwards. Either through an on street segregated route for</i></p>

			<p><i>cyclists on Paisley Road, or by reopening and using the existing Clydeside path which runs past Springfield Quay and Mavisbank Gardens.</i></p> <p><i>This would have benefit of offering alternative access route into city centre and southside for people living in Kinning Park, Ibrox, Govan, Dumbreck etc. without needing to use the Clyde Arc Bridge (which is difficult for cyclists to cross in normal traffic any case).</i></p>
5	<a href="#"><u>Kingston St</u></a>	<p>Extend pavement</p> <p>Remove street clutter/railings</p> <p>Improve crossing</p>	<p><i>There is no pedestrian crossing, and cycle crossing is complicated and hard to use, itâ€™s also extremely slow and leads to cycles stacking up.</i></p>

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## Most Common Reported Problems in Govan Ward

1. Amount of traffic (36%)
2. Speed of traffic (29%)
3. Sharing paths with other users (25%)
4. Pavement parking/clutter (22%)
5. Pavement too narrow (19%)

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## Most Common Suggestions in Govan Ward

1. Add protected cycle lane to main road (45%)
2. Restrict or suspend vehicle parking (23%)
3. Extend pavement (18%)
4. Remove street clutter/railings (15%)
5. Improve crossing (14%)