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Aberdeen City Council

By email to: [transportstrategy@aberdeencity.gov.uk](mailto:transportstrategy@aberdeencity.gov.uk)

Dear Sirs,

**Low Emission Zone proposals**

Thank you for the opportunity to respond on this proposal. Our comments at this stage are as follows:

- 1) We are pleased to see that the proposed scheme includes Denburn Road. That was the only sensible option.
- 2) We are disappointed that you are proposing the maximum period of grace prior to any enforcement. This effectively sacrifices public health for the convenience of motorised road users.
- 3) Given that the LEZ is shown to not fully address air quality in the city centre by itself, and the need for further measures is highlighted, we cannot reconcile this with the Council's proposal to take forward schemes which will add traffic capacity in the College St and Berryden corridors.
- 4) Such additional measures are yet to be identified, but increased provision of cycle lanes in some streets has been suggested. Welcome as that would be, provision of cycle lanes will only make a significant difference to traffic levels more widely, and hence to air quality across the city, if a comprehensive and connected network of high quality routes is provided.

Yours faithfully,

Gavin Clark,

Chair, Aberdeen Cycle Forum

Cc Cllr Sandra Macdonald, Transport Spokesperson