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Comment
<p>DEAR MR FODEN AND SOUTHWARK COUNCIL, I am in receipt of your update re the GREAT SUFFOLK ST STREET SPACE - dated DEC 10 2021 but received 4 JAN 2022 THEREFORE only leaving a few days to get this further further objection in. You recognize in your letter, the access issues to residents in particular in my case this is dreadful at SAWYER ST and during trial periods made access for cabs or deliveries almost impossible as they were having to detour around BLACKFRIARS BRIDGE ROAD AND POCOCK STREET - this could add at busy times half and hour onto access - with traffic backed up - causing more pollution- which defeats the issue completely. Many just refused to come here by road because of inconvenience and the massive detours and difficulties accessing SAWYER ST. Obviously as SOUTHWARK residents paying council tax to SOUTHWARK, we have a right to full access to our homes. I look forward to hearing from you. Thank you, HAPPY NEW YEAR</p>
<p>Through traffic affected by the scheme, linked directly to the The Cut's partial closure at Blackfriars Road, has resulted in huge flow increases on Pocock Street and lesser increases on Surrey Row. This is hazardous for pedestrians and children because the roads are narrow, and layout and sightlines are substandard. I object to the scheme on these grounds only.2. In addition, streets are dark outside daylight hours, lighting is poor, and the opportunity should be taken to repair street lamps that have not worked for years. This is particularly important where new traffic signs are not illuminated. This includes at the Blackfriars Road/Union Street junction; along Blackfriars Road between that junction and St George's Circus; and Great Suffolk Street between Union street and Pocock Street.3. Traffic signage should be reviewed to conform with current regulations and the numerous redundant posts removed and footway surface irregularities made good.4. Any new permanent kerbing should be picked out ion a colour different from the carriageway surface to avoid trips and falls. Black on black as at present is hazardous, particularly for older people and those with impaired eyesight or gait.</p>
<p>Hi, I've just received a letter asking for representations about this streetspace scheme. I live at X Southwark Bridge Road and since I've moved home after the block of flats had to be vacated for 10 months after a fire, I've noticed how difficult it is to gain direct vehicular access to the building. You've blocked off the cycle lane outside the front of the building making it impossible for taxis, delivery vans, removal vans etc to stop outside. It particularly concerns me that taxis can't stop outside as it discriminates against people who are less able. I know why you've blocked off the cycle lane but by trying to improve things for one group of people, you've done the opposite for those of us who live on Southwark Bridge Road. I also think you've made it less safe for delivery drivers as they now have to park somewhere down the road/around the corner and transport their goods across the road. Can you tell me where removal vans are supposed to park please? If they park at the back of the building they're on the pavement or blocking the road, but they can't park at the front of the building. So they can't park near either entrance. That makes it very unsafe for them to load/unload boxes/furniture, particularly large, heavy furniture. Also, can you tell me what efforts have been put into helping everyone muddle along together please? To explain what I mean, throughout this area you've introduced a lot of measures to benefit cyclists. Yet when I'm walking to and from work I see cyclists jumping lights, using the pavement and sometimes being very dangerous. I've had cyclists shouting at me</p>

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for crossing the road on a green pedestrian light and I've experienced cyclists ignoring zebra crossings, even when cars have stopped to let pedestrians across. Your website says 'safety has also been improved for pedestrians', but I don't think you have. Do you have people out and about who can remind people about the rules that are there for everyone's safety? That would include cyclists, people on fast electric bicycles, out in the dark with no lights and wearing dark clothing. I would be grateful if you would take my comments on board and also answer both my questions. Many thanks

Good afternoon. I hope you are well. I am writing to you in regards to the above scheme. My complaint is not just in regards to Great Suffolk Street but also regarding all of the road changes which have come into effect during covid and prior to that as well. I live on Lancaster Street. The only access points I have to enter my area is through Milcote Street, the tip of Great Suffolk Street which leads onto Webber Street and Pocock Street. Exit points are only Lancaster Street and Webber Street. During peak traffic periods, just travelling round to a single one of these points to enter or exit can add 30 minutes or more to travel time. Belvedere Buildings was a great exit point which has now been closed off. Milcote Street is not suitable for vehicles. The state of the road and turning subsequent turnings are not favourable for any driver but since Lancaster Street was unnecessarily made one way, all vehicles are now forced to use that tiny road. Previously, no car would ever use that road but now everyone is forced to. My request for the bare minimum is to return Lancaster Street, Webber Street and Great Suffolk Street to a two way system and open up Belvedere Buildings to cars. I look forward to hearing back from you. Yours sincerely