

13th May 2013

The Highways Dept
Torbay Road Consultation
Torbay Council

Dear Sirs,

As a long time resident who used the Torbay Road very regularly under its two way guise before the central reservation, since that and obviously since the recent two changes I do have views over the best solution which I think it to return it to single traffic on either side of the reservation.

1. Safety – which must be the most important aspect of a key road in a tourist area.

The present road alignment leads to a sense of insecurity in crossing from the sea in slower traffic travelling one way and then the shock of finding that is not the case when one gets to the reservation. I do not know that the accident figures are and I have not seen any actual incidents but I do often see surprise and fear on faces when they realise what the actual position is. The Terrace walkway encourages many more people to cross over the road than before the works so this aspect is of key importance.

2. Parking – extra parking spaces in such a convenient location are gold dust for holiday makers and so to reinstate all the spaces on both carriage ways would be a benefit both to users and to create greater income. A reduction from 90 to 35 places really will have impacted on tourists badly.

3. Traffic flows – it is clearly an important requirement to keep traffic moving on this road but the speed is not key as low speeds are required in the town anyway so the occasional short delay while someone parks really is not material. To my knowledge there was no thought of the current arrangement for the benefit of traffic flows before the Terrace works so to return it, would be going back to a satisfactory solution which would not have been changed had it not been for the longterm Terrace works.

In conclusion I can think of no reason at all to retain the present arrangements which in addition to all the reasons above looks such a

mess with all the paint on the road. This is a very important area for the town and the impression of this stretch of road both to pedestrians and vehicle users is very important for the town and to return to the single carriageway and parking would to my mind benefit everybody and be a much more pleasant entrance to Torquay.

Yours sincerely,

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To: Highways <EX:/O=TORBAY COUNCIL/OU=CIVIC OFFICES
SERVER/CN=ENVIRONMENT/CN=HIGHWAYS/CN=HIGHWAYS.>
Date: 14/05/2013 20:02:14
Subject: Seafront Road

I feel that the road should revert to one lane of traffic and one lane of parking on each side of the carriageway

INCOMING EMAIL

From:

To: Highways <EX:/O=TORBAY COUNCIL/OU=CIVIC OFFICES
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Date: 17/05/2013 15:11:17

Subject: Torbay Road by Rock Walk

Regarding whether the current lay-out of Torbay Road adjacent to Rock Walk should stay as it is or be reverted to how it was originally, I definitely think that it should be reverted to its original lay-out. I was under the impression that, after the maintenance project at Rock Walk, that was what was going to happen anyway.

- 1) The current lay-out is confusing, especially with all the bright road markings on the road surface, all over the place.
- 2) The need, especially at the Princess Theatre end, to suddenly have to swerve onto the right hand road underneath Rock Walk is very confusing and must be even more so for visitors to the area who do not know anything about the crazy lay-out of the road. Besides, as British citizens, we drive on the left hand side not the right so this causes further distraction when driving.
- 3) To have one road as the active 'driving' road as opposed to the other one being predominantly a 'parking' road, means that drivers then have to deal with 2-way traffic on quite a narrow road. There is no leeway when a great big juggernaut or double-decker is careering towards you as you are driving. This does not make for a comfortable or safe driving experience.
- 4) This is the main artery road for Torquay along the sea-front. Surely it is obvious that it needs to be one where you don't have to feel that you are squeezing through all the time. Artery roads need space and this would be achieved by reverting the road to the separate roads for each direction lay-out that it was originally.

regards,

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From: I
To: Highways <EX:/O=TORBAY COUNCIL/OU=CIVIC OFFICES
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Date: 03/05/2013 17:07:03
Subject: Crossing close to Palm Court Hotel site.

Dear Sir/Madam,

My name is . . . , I live at :

Yesterday 2nd May I was proceeding along Torbay Rd in the direction of Torquay Station when I was approaching the Palm Court Hotel site I observed a man about to cross the road, he looked right and crossed the first section and reach the centre island he then looked left and without stoppoing stepped out into the road, ny car virtually grazed his jacket. If I had not swerved there would have been a serious accident. The idiotic street layout in this position has made pedestrians more vulnerable than before. My brother in law contacted you by e-mail about two years ago with an almost exact incident. He had to swerve and nearly mounted the pavement to avoid a couple crossing. He contacted your department at that time, received an acknowledgement but no comment was forthcoming.

I am using his e-mail address to contact you as we both agree that if there is a further incident at this point and someone is injured a copy of this e-mail and Mr previous, will be brought to attention of the relevant authorities.

I look forward to receiving your comments,by post, at the address above.

Yours faithfully.



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29th April 2013

Dear Mr Clewer,

I write in response to your letter dated 22nd March which was recently forwarded to me.

Although I appreciate that you requested responses to be sent before 12th April, I hope that you will add this to any other views that have been expressed already.

Whilst I do agree that the current traffic arrangement on the section of Torbay Road in question allows for easy and uninterrupted traffic flow, I have major concerns over the safety of the road layout for pedestrians.

In the last two years, there have been at least four accidents involving a Stagecoach bus and pedestrians. In each case, the pedestrians involved have mistakenly assumed that the stretch of road adjacent to Rock Walk is a dual carriageway for traffic flowing in one direction, rather than two single lanes for two directional traffic flow. As a result these pedestrians have walked into the road without looking for oncoming traffic in both directions and have consequently stepped out in front of a moving bus.

Please be assured that in each instance the bus driver involved has been cleared of any wrongdoing and the pedestrians were all considered to be at fault. Thankfully none of these accidents have caused anything more than minor injuries to any parties and I put this down to the quick reactions of the drivers.

The current layout provides an area for events and theatre parking, as well as an excellent area for coach parking. However, the carriageway is clearly confusing to many pedestrians and I am in strong support of this being reviewed on safety grounds. As a city which attracts many tourists each year, especially to the seafront area, I have serious concerns that the number of collisions and accidents will continue to increase if measures are not taken to address the issue. Financial constraints will undoubtedly hinder any proposals for drastic reconstruction of the carriageway, but I would argue that surely the risk of a fatal accident far outweighs any costs associated with this.

I would also argue that in improving traffic flow, the current layout also allows the opportunity for vehicles to travel at an inappropriately fast speed. If a new layout was to restrict the flow to some degree, whilst it may cause some inconvenience to road users, it would surely further improve the safety of the area for pedestrians.

On behalf of Stagecoach South West I would like to offer our full support for the proposal to change the layout back to the original dual carriageway arrangement purely on health and safety grounds for the reasons already stated. We certainly welcome and appreciate Torbay Councils plan to review the situation and look forward to the results of the review and any action that will be taken.

I have provided details of the collisions mentioned above to Lesley Dransfield of the Transport Department, however if further information would be beneficial please do not hesitate to contact me directly in this regard.

Thank you for your time.

Yours sincerely,

Stagecoach South West

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To: Highways <EX:/O=TORBAY COUNCIL/OU=CIVIC OFFICES
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Date: 19/04/2013 00:18:19

Subject: proposals to change part of torquays sea front road

Dear Sir/Madam

As a very keen cyclist, born & bred Torquinian, I am asking you to put the road back to a dual carriage way. As the road is at the moment, it is one of the most dangerous roads in the borough for cycling along as there is not enough room for buses/cars to overtake cyclists. When the road was changed to its present layout it was a retrograde step for cyclists.

It seems that Torquay has no people on the council that cycle because if there were we would certainly have better roads for cycling.

I know its a very difficult problem to get more space on the roads for us but please try.

IF YOU NEED ANY FREE ADVICE ON WHERE TORQUAYS ROADS NEED IMPROVING FOR

CYCLISTS I WILL BE ONLY TO PLEASED TO GTVE ADVICE.

P.S. I have been cycling since 1984 & have now retired after running my own business in Torquay since 1975 so I think I have some experience of life & common sense.

yours sincerely

P.p.s. It is great that you are putting in more cycle ways in the Paignton area.

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From:
To: Highways <EX:/O=TORBAY COUNCIL/OU=CIVIC OFFICES
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CC:
Date: 16/04/2013 10:23:16
Subject: Torbay Road consultation

As one of the very few people that sit looking out over Torbay Road all week I and my staff have seen

the effects of the current road layout.

I have reported to the council several times that members of the public/theatre audience have been in collision with cars

as they only look one way when crossing the three lanes of traffic.

Parking is of course much reduced only on one side of the road. This causes our patrons much angst in the evenings

when attending shows which of course is our fault!

Having worked all my life in Torquay () the original road layout worked well.

I appreciate that there are many more cars on the roads now but having to wait a minute or so whilst someone reverses into a parking space would not be a bad thing to improve the parking and safety.

I would make a plea for the road to be resurfaced! The far side is very badly damaged. I would imagine as there will be meters on both sides that there will be marked bays, essential for considerate parking!

On the plan for the proposed new layout there is a loading bay outside of the box office.

We get many complaints from our patrons that they cannot stop for 5 minutes to pop in to book tickets.

The loading bay needs to be between the theatre and the gift shop for deliveries and emergency vehicles.

Directly outside the box office needs to be a 5 minute stopping zone during the day for ticket booking and a drop off/pick up

zone for customers and taxis in the evenings so that when the road is full of parked cars they do not have to stop in the middle of the road.

This zone needs to be clearly boxed off and marked i.e. not just the 2 yellow curb lines for no loading. Even disabled drivers come and ask

if they can park there with the blue badge even though 'no loading' means no stopping, no waiting, no parking for everyone.

Best Wishes

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From: :

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CC: Clewer, John <EX:/O=TORBAY COUNCIL/OU=CIVIC OFFICES
SERVER/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=ENTR150>

Date: 15/04/2013 09:12:15

Subject: FW: Torbay Council News Release: Public's views sought in Torbay Road
traffic scheme review

Hi. Please find below feedback sent to me in error by in response to the
Torbay Road consultation.

Thanks.

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Tel: 0

From:

Sent: 12 April 2013 11:55

To:

Subject: RE: Torbay Council News Release: Public's views sought in Torbay Road
traffic scheme review

I think for Safety's sake we should revert back to how it was

Kind Regards

From:
Sent: Wed 10/04/2013 12:26
Subject: FW: Torbay Council News Release: Public's views sought in Torbay Road traffic scheme review

Torbay Council PR 3798 10/04/2013 [For Immediate Release]

Public's views sought in Torbay Road traffic scheme review

Nearly two years after traffic flows were altered along part of Torbay Road in Torquay, the scheme is being reviewed to decide whether it should remain in place or whether it should revert to its original layout.

Torbay Council's Transport Working Party decided in January to seek the public's views on the scheme along Torbay Road adjacent to Rock Walk.

The current traffic arrangements were implemented in June 2011, and are now up for review, following a request from Mayor Gordon Oliver because of concerns over the number of accidents that had occurred.

The council is considering whether they should continue as they are, have any further alterations or go back to the original layout.

The scheme resulted in a reduction in on street parking spaces, but created a space that could be used for events.

Working party members were told that the scheme had improved traffic flows, but some safety issues had been raised.

Councillors were told it would cost about 45,000 to revert to the original layout if no additional engineering improvements or facilities were introduced as a result.

Officers recommended consultation should be held to consider reinstating the original road layout, but they advised that both the current and original layouts are workable in highways terms.

However, they said there was a risk that the return to a dual carriageway arrangement would adversely affect traffic flows and increase traffic congestion.

Cllr Robert Excell, Executive Lead for Safer Communities and Transport, said: "This is an extremely busy section of road in Torquay.

"It is important that we make the correct decision on this issue, and we are very keen to get the views of key stakeholders and local residents.

"We want to get as much feedback as we can. The comments we receive will be used in the preparation of a report to a future meeting of the Transport Working Party."

An on-line survey, including plans of both the current and previous road lay-outs, can be accessed at www.torbay.gov.uk/torbayroad

An exhibition will go on display upstairs in Breezes cafe next to the Princess Theatre on Monday to Wednesday 15-17 April, from 10am each day. Visitors will be able to leave their comments on the cards provided.

Comments will also be accepted either by email at highways@torbay.gov.uk or by letter to Residents & Visitors Services, Torbay Council, Lower Ground Floor, Town Hall, Torquay TQ1 3DR.

The closing date for comments is Friday 17 May.

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To: Highways <EX:/O=TORBAY COUNCIL/OU=CIVIC OFFICES
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Date: 12/04/2013 07:16:12

Subject: Consultation - Traffic Flow - Torbay Road,

Consultation - Traffic Flow - Torbay Road, Torquay change it back to a safer dual
carriageway

when the cliff was repaired it should have been changed then

yours

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Date: 12/04/2013 22:24:12

Subject: Torbay Road Layout

Dear Sir/Madam,

In

regard to the new lay out which has been in force for 2 years now. I must say i have found the 2 way

traffic lay out on the Rock

Walk Side is waiting for a very serious accident regarding the closeness of the vechicles passing

each other, The speed of

particually large lorrys,buses,etc. is quite frightening. I myself pass this road on a regular basis,

and really have to keep alert

on the very narrowness between vechicles. The previous lay out where we had parking on the

Rock Walk Side allowed a

larger gap between parked cars and the flowing one way traffic. With the previous lay out the

traffic was not going so fast

with cars parked both sides.Surely allowing the wider gap is a far safer option.

I understand one reason for not parking on the Rock Walk Side because of the fear of people crossing

the road to the sea side of

the pavement. I have been living down in Torbay for over 50 years and i can not remember a serious

accident on the Rock Walk Side

of the road (when vechiles were parked their) involving pedestrians. Please correct me if i am

wrong.

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Date: 13/04/2013 15:16:13

Subject: Torbay road scheme

To whom it may concern, my family and I feel that torbay road should be returned to original layout. The road as exists now is confusing ,has increased accidents in the area , non parking friendly and costing local businesses money . spend the money put it back .the cost is imertireal as the councillors voted changes in without any thought for local business or the holiday season .

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Date: 13/04/2013 10:14:13

Subject: torbay road

Please,please revert this area to the original layout.Right now it has the look of a
service area at a Grand Prix circuit.

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Date: 15/04/2013 09:47:15

Subject: Comments on Torbay Road

Good Morning,

Further to your request in last weekd Herald Express for comments on the proposed return to the original road system from the Palm Court Hotel site along the road to the Torbay Hotel.

I use this stretch of road daily and have seen near misses myself. I wrote to your department shortly after the present layout was installed when whilst returning my granddaughter from school we had to swerve violently to avoid two pedestrians who only looked left when on the centre reservation thinking that the road was a dual carriageway, a car had just passed heading towards the Grand Hotel they did not look right and immediately stepped into the carriageway even though the ligts were green. Luckily nothing else was coming from the Paignton direction and I swerved violently to the right glancing the pedestrian's sleeve with my wing mirror. My granddaughter was very frightened and said that she knew something was going to happen the momonet the pedestrians arrived on the central reservation. We were then so close to the crossing to stop.

I did e-mail your department at the time, received an acknowledgement but no further comment.

I have seen similar, though not so near a miss on subsequent occasions, strangers think that this road is a dual carriageway and on reaching the reservation forget to look right.

The original two way system worked well for over fifty years, the ammount of traffic on that section is now much less than in the peak holiday years on the fifty and sixties when cars hardly moved along Torbay Road and all locals avoided the sea-front like the plague.

The authority would also benefit rom having the additional income from meters on both sides of the roa rather than just one.

Yours faithfully,

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Date: 11/04/2013 15:09:11
Subject: Torbay Road

With reference to the council's deliberations concerning the possibility of changing the traffic flows back to what they were before the extended work was carried out on Rock Walk. I and my family think you should do this without delay, the current layout encourages most vehicles to travel too fast, and to revert to the old layout would provide more parking and more income for the council, and most important of all it would be safer for all users.

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From:

To: Highways <EX:/O=TORBAY COUNCIL/OU=CIVIC OFFICES
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Date: 10/04/2013 23:27:10

Subject: Torbay Road, Torquay

I would prefer to return to the previous road lay-outs as I consider the present arrangement quite dangerous.

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Date: 10/04/2013 22:40:10

Subject: Torquay sea front traffic

Dear Sir,

Please revert the traffic layout to what it was before.

Far too dangerous crossing the road from Rock Walk to Theatre & vice versa
now. Take your life in your hands!

Failing a reversal, please insert a couple of zebra crossings, Rock Walk side, between
Palm Court & Torbay Hotel.

I have lived & worked in the Bay all my life & the current road layout should go, for
the reasons just given.

Yours faithfully,

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Date: 10/04/2013 16:35:10

Subject:

As per the news in the paper about the new road layout. I think it should revert back to the normal layout, as it would allow for more parking.

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Thanks

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From:

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Date: 11/04/2013 14:19:11

Subject: Torbay Road consultation

To Whom it may concern, I understand that there is a consultaion into the traffic layout of Torbay Road in front of Rock Walk. I am a 26 year old woman who was born and raised in Torquay and I would like to take this opportunity to express my opinion on this matter. I feel that the original layout would be better and that the road should be reverted back to this. I have several reasons for this opinion;1: The number of parking spaces available will be increased, perfect for the summer tourist season.2: The increase in spaces would also provide the council the opportunity to install parking meters on both sides of the carriageway which would increase the councils revenue along that section of Torbay Road.3: As a local resident and a driver I prefer the original layout. I find the current layout a little bit dangerous where the seaward side of the road meets the Rock Walk side of the road. 4: Even though traffic flow can become congested while people park using the original layout, in the summer season most roads in the bay are congested anyway. This is something that us residents of a tourist community must accept. Well most of the ones I know do, as this is a small price to pay for the ammenities and money that tourism brings to the area. I appreciate the opportunity to have my say in this issue as it affects all of us. Thank you for your time. Yours Sincerely

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Date: 10/04/2013 14:33:10
Subject: feedback on Torbay Road consultation

Hi. Please find below an email I received from Cllr Mark Kingscote after I sent out the Torbay Road consultation PR earlier today (Wednesday). I have replied to him to let him know I would forward his feedback to you.

Peter Surcombe
Communications Officer
Torbay Council
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Tel: 01803 208860

-----Original Message-----

From: Kingscote, Mark
Sent: 10 April 2013 14:21
To: Surcombe, Peter
Cc:
Subject: RE: Torbay Council News Release: Public's views sought in Torbay Road traffic scheme review

Dear Peter

A large number of residents in Torquay and people working in the tourist industry have complained that they do not like the lay out over the last 2 years of the traffic flow along Torquay seafront and want it returned to how it used to be, also local people have mentioned about the large number of parking spaces that have been lost since the traffic flows changed...

Many of these people are not online and or do not have time to reply to the huge number of public consultation that Torbay council do. People voted for their local councillors to make decisions on their behalf.

Yours
Cllr Mark Kingscote

-----Original Message-----

From: Surcombe, Peter

Sent: 10 April 2013 12:27

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Date: 02/04/2013 16:58:02

Subject: Traffic Flow - Torbay Road, Torquay

For the attention of John Clewer

John

Thank you for your letter of 22nd March 2013

With regard to the proposal to revert to the original two way traffic flow along Torbay Road (adjacent to Rock Walk), I fully support the proposal to revert to the original dual carriageway arrangement.

Kind Regards

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Date: 18/04/2013 14:45:18

Subject: Torquay seafront

After reading the latest plans for Torquay seafront, I ask myself how much more money is this council going to waste!! You change the road twice already now planning changing it back. Reminds me of the council's great idea of changing the road layout at Paris road Preston, and guess what 6 months later changed it back again!! I think you should be concentrating on jobs and regeneration, not on more parking bays for money!! Rant over. Kind regards.

Sent from my iPhone

INCOMING EMAIL

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To: Highways <EX:/O=TORBAY COUNCIL/OU=CIVIC OFFICES
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Date: 10/04/2013 14:15:10

Subject: Torbay Road Consultation

Re the proposed changes to Torbay Rd adjacent to Rock Walk:-

An item in the Herald Express regarding these proposed changes mentioned they were being considered because there had been accidents along this stretch of road but gave no information concerning the number or nature of these accidents. Before I state my preference for or against the changes I would like to know how many accidents there have been and what type of accidents (if any) there have been. I believe this information is needed before anyone can state their preference.

Also in the council web site it states that only safety issues have been raised concerning pedestrians crossing from the seaward side and not anticipating two-way traffic when crossing the landward carriageway. Could this problem be not more easily be solved by installing railings along the central reservation with staggered gaps at suitable points along the road?

Best wishes

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Torquay.

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Date: 10/04/2013 12:55:10
Subject: consultation on traffic by Rock Walk

Something is clearly wrong with the current arrangement, and I believe it is the central reservation. It gives the feeling of an 'urban motorway' which it clearly is not. I feel it should be removed. Is there a need for an additional pedestrian crossing opposite the entrance to Princess Pier? I feel this would help to reduce speeds along this road.

Clearly there is space and need for car parking. This could be better arranged by angling the parking slots - probably on the sea-ward side as at present. This would give more usable spaces.

Best regards,