Dear Mel

Thank you for your email to myself and other Cabinet Members.

The representations and interests lodged, regarding the intentions to increase the existing footway width to better support walking and cycling activities along Newham Road, are acknowledged.

The Council is committed to Road Safety and casualty reduction and have completed safety assessments to an appropriate standard, in order to arrive at an informed decision to proceed. We are also satisfied with the level of independence offered by CORMAC in conducting these, a responsibility they have held and performed across the County's highway network for many years.

Newham is an important cog in the wheel of both business and industry in Cornwall, this is valued and is not in any way debated. Designated currently through the National Cycle Network 3, Newham also promotes itself as a vibrant and attractive destination for walking and cycling, having strong links from the core of the City to the Newham Trail and beyond. Strengthening these active travel connections and the benefits such opportunity could provide for Newham should not be readily discounted.

We understand the challenge with accommodating all legitimate users in such environ and have ascertained that there is no other currently viable alternative due to ecological, safety and engineering constraint.

Your concerns are once again acknowledged however, to reaffirm, based on the safety assessments completed, there is little to suggest that the proposals will prevent Newham from continuing to operate as normal following implementation.

Regards,

Linda

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