-----Original Message----
From: @gov.je>
Sent: Wednesday, 5 July 2023 14:36
To:

Subject: Road changes ... St Johns Road, Old St. J

Dear

Despite being a Representative for District 3, I have received a number of comments regarding the proposed new road proposals. Many are concerned that Helvetia School and Residents of Parade Road will be very adversely affected by the re-routing of traffic coming into St Helier.

The comments I have received make sugges ons to make St John's Road one way down; Old St Johns road one way up (as now) and to leave Parade Road as it is for residents and for those wishing to access Helve a.

Do I need to feed this into any Consulta on, or is it alright to let you know?

Many thanks

Best wishes

DFI From:

Sent: 03 July 2023 10:39

To:

Subject: FW: St John's Rd Meeting

Morning

One for you.

Many thanks

Administrator

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----Original Message----

From:

Sent: Friday, June 30, 2023 4:31 PM

To: DFI <DFI@gov.je>

Cc: infrastructure@sthelier.je Subject: St John's Rd Meeting

Good afternoon,

I would just like say thank you to your staff for last nights informative exhibition at the Town Hall last night. They really were extremely patient and diplomatic with some attendees who were against the scheme.

I am a resident from St John's Rd and

has written regarding the dangers of the narrow road

I have a pile of letters that

There are a number of dog owners and parents with young children in prams living in the road who are increasingly concerned about the number of 'near misses' observed which don't get as far as being investigated. Every day the speed of motorbikes and vehicles are a real worry and I narrowly avoid being hit by vans/ lorries mounting the pavement on my way on a daily basis.

We all wholeheartedly support the trial but at the same time understand the concerns of residents in parade road. I did ask last night if the road was one way coming down, would it be better for parade road residents, but was told it was to try and discourage vehicles using the route into town and encourage more sustainable methods of travelling to work/school.

If you ever need to speak further to residents, we would be more than happy to meet with you anytime. Best of luck with all the plans. As residents we really do appreciate the trial after all these years of asking for St John's Rd

Sent from my iPhone

From: DFI

Sent: 03 July 2023 10:41

To:

Subject: FW: St John's Road / Parade Road traffic calming measures

Morning

One more for you.

Many thanks



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From:

Sent: Monday, July 3, 2023 7:51 AM

To: DFI <DFI@gov.je>

Subject: Fwd: St John's Road / Parade Road traffic calming measures

Sent from Samsung tablet.

----- Original message -----

From:

Date: 03/07/2023 07:47 (GMT+00:00)

To: infrastructure@sthelier.je

Subject: St John's Road / Parade Road traffic calming measures

Good morning

I attended the meeting at the Town Hall on Thursday 29 June 2023 regarding the above and I just wanted to thank you for initiating these changes.

to try to make this area safe for all road users.

I have now and have seen many accidents.

Whilst, as far as I am aware there were no fatalities, we do not want to wait until there is one to try and campaign for change.

I know from some of the comments I heard on Thursday, not everyone is in favour of these changes. The people who live and see the near misses that go on each day are totally in favour of this initiative.

We only have to step outside our front doors to be scared, that one day a young child or parent with them could be squashed against the wall.

Roussel Street, New St John's Road, Old St John's Road and Parade Road were never regarded as Main Roads

These have become main arteries to various locations as St Helier has evolved.

In my opinion, West Park Avenue, Roussel Street and Parade Road are all very similar in that they are all one way roads. All these streets are a mixture of residential properties, schools, care homes, hotels, lodging houses etc. It is paramount that the residents feel safe to step out of their homes without the fear of being mown down. I will watch with interest to see how this trial pans out.

But finally thank all so much for trying to make St Helier a safer place for us all. With Kind Regards



Sent from Samsung tablet.

From: DFI

Sent: <u>12 July 2023 11</u>:27

To:

Subject: FW: St John's Road

Morning

One for you.

Many thanks



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From:

Sent: Tuesday, July 11, 2023 6:17 PM

To: infrastructure@sthelier.je; DFI <DFI@gov.je>

Subject: St John's Road

Can I first say what a ridiculous idea you have come up with which just creates other problems with no justification. I would be very interested in the data showing how many people are injured, namely pedestrians, in this lower part of St John's Road, which you seek to decrease and make safer. I would imagine very few, so how will this "trial" over 3 months (which surprisingly will be when the schools are closed and therefore less traffic, so how convenient), show the changes save lives?

So you want to make the lower half one way and divert all downward traffic in to a narrow residential road to an already congested junction which can't cope at the best of times. You will be forcing all traffic from residents in the area of Roussel Street and Undercliffe road, which are one way, to go down in to Parade road, or to take a long way round, traveling up St John's Road, to then get stuck at the newly created junction with Tower Road. So all residents of St John's Road, Undercliffe and Roussel street are sent down Parade Road, making our journeys much longer (time wise), as the traffic lights with the staggered turnaround of red to green, allows on a good day about 4 cars to exit Parade Road, if the junction is clear. You can be stuck at those lights normally for 5 to 10 minutes at peak times. So increased traffic firstly passing close to a school (not a good idea) and idling with excess fumes outside a school (also a bad idea). I bet the residents of Parade road are not happy at an increase in traffic. So basically increasing car emissions at a time when we should be decreasing.

So to move on to Clubley estate junction, right on the newly created Tower Road junction. There will be a build up of northbound traffic stuck at this junction, which now currently has right of way (and works!), so will stop resident's cars entering, and then exiting heading north, from Clubley. And with the junction so close, and the poor standard of indication, cars will just carry on at speed along St John's Rosd, with no intention of following the newly created right hand corner, and just shoot straight through in to St John's Road, without indicating or leaving it so late to indicate, therefore now making this a dangerously junction for cars turning right, from northbound, in to Clubley. But that's ok, surely, because of the life saving changes you propose elsewhere!! It does not deter traffic numbers though traveling northbound but creates a junction where they will now be stuck at.

Your plan will also generate more traffic along Westmount Road, past the proposed hospital site, so that's not great, and unless the lower junction of Westmount, joining at Cheapside is improved (which I doubt is even considered), you will just generate another congested junction as cars try to navigate crossing 2 lanes of traffic. This will be an increase of cars, as you will be trying to deter car's driving down St John's in the area of Tower road/top of Westmount and cars turning off at Queens Road. At least with St John's Road allowing southbound traffic, it helped Queens road, but now that will just be more congested at peak times.

So in short you are going to create more traffic in Parade Road, increasing traffic flow at an already struggling junction, increased emissions outside of and cars passing where school children congregate. You will create a more dangerous road layout on the junction with St. John's road and Tower Road, where again I would love to see what facts and evidence you have to show this currently does not work and at the end of the day will NOT stop the speeding cars, one of which crashed near the cemetery entrance a few weeks ago in the early hours, debris over the road, having heard the car travel past at ridiculous speed and hearing the impact, which is what the problem is. Not the amount of cars at low speed navigating the lower junction with Cheapside, but the cars which use Northbound, primarily, and sometimes southbound, where what would be money well spent is traffic calming measures, to reduce the chosen few who think Jersey is a race track.

and nothing has been done to reduce speeding cars especially passing "Little sisters of the poor". The lower aspect works with cars filtering in to Cheapside towards town. You are going to ruin the road layout and waste tax payers money, or St Helier rate payers money, which I feel paying towards St Helier rates, we should have a say on how it is spent, and we all know, just like Broad Street and Midvale road, once a trial, you will never return to the original state, as that just costs more money. Once these trial bollards, ramps and signs are in place, I guarantee they will remain, whilst all along there are other areas which money could be spent to improve road safety in St Helier.

I look forward to a response, as I was unable to attend the exhibition in person a few weeks ago, to voice my opinion directly, but I have a gut feeling what response I will receive.

Regards

Sent from Outlook for iOS

DFI From: 27 June 2023 11:02 Sent: To: Subject: FW: St Johns Road Changes Morning One for you. Many thanks Administrator Direct +44 (0)1534 Government of Jersey Beresford House | St Helier | Jersey | JE2 3JX Infrastructure and Environment From: Sent: Monday, June 26, 2023 2:58 PM To: infrastructure@sthelier.je; DFI <DFI@gov.je> Subject: St Johns Road Changes Good afternoon, My name is have just received the information leaflet about the proposed road changes. Unfortunately, , I may not be able to attend the meeting on the 29th and so I am writing here. This new proposal is just another nail in the coffin for who rely on vehicular transport to live their lives. The one way system when I am coming from anywhere other than the avenue already means I have to go up Undercliffe Road and then down St Johns Road, or go all the way round the hospital, down Gloucester Street to the

avenue and around People's Park to access

You're now telling me I will have to go all the way up St Johns Road or Queens Road, down Princes Tower Road, and down via Westmount? How on earth is that traffic calming or eco friendly when you're adding time to my routine journeys?!

You're not solving the problem by sticking in all of these ridiculous one way systems and "pedestrian" areas. You're just pushing the traffic onto other roads and making it their problem, whilst simultaneously crippling the access for people who live in the first area.

This road is busy because of the existing one way system forcing traffic to it. How on earth is adding more one way systems fixing the problem?

Not all of us are fit and healthy enough to walk, cycle or hop from bus to bus, and you're punishing us by making it harder and harder to get around. I would LOVE to leave St Helier and go and live somewhere else where the government are not constantly removing access, but because there is no way for the average person of my age to afford anything but a box flat in the town parish, I am stuck.

Perhaps you should start considering that traffic is bad in St Helier because it is the MAIN PARISH with the majority of the population and workforce. Incentives to make it affordable for people to move out, better bus/public transport systems etc are such a better priority than just making it harder to drive. Much larger cities manage to accomplish this just fine.

I don't know how much more I can emphasise how absolutely against this I am. Is it even an accident blackspot? I live on the road and I can't say I see it flooded with car collisions and pedestrian injuries. Do you have the stats to back this up, or is this another case of a vocal minority getting their way?

I hope I make it to your meeting to see what others think, and to be the voice of mobility and access issues.

But if not, I strongly urge you to reconsider the disabled parishioners you keep cutting off.

Sent from my Galaxy

28 June 2023 19:38

Sent: To:

Tom Binet

Subject:

St John's Road/Parade Road trial scheme

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Dear Deputy Binet,

I am contacting you as a concerned resident of West Park Avenue,

I have 4 major concerns:-

- 1) The traffic lights at the end of Parade Road only allow up to 6 vehicles to exit at peak times, the traffic is backed up along Elizabeth Place therefore preventing cars in Parade Road from exiting right.
- 2) Helvetia School:- the drop-off and pick-up times for pupils requires parents to stop in Parade Road and exit Elizabeth Lane car park, causing traffic issues additional vehicles will create extra difficulties.....student safety is paramount.
- 3) There appears to be a lack of consideration for the Emergency Services located in Rouge Bouillon this proposed scheme will result in no direct access for emergency vehicles into West Park Avenue, Cheapside or Kensington Place and the surrounding roads.

the Ambulance Services to urgently attend patients

- they were there in less than 5 minutes having had speedy access up Roussel

Street, down St John's Road into West Park Avenue.

Emergencies are time critical.

4) West Park Avenue is used as a short-cut by vehicles when Cheapside is busy -this results in additional cars accessing Parade Road, adding to the traffic chaos.

In addition, there was an issue with Parade Road a few years ago when it was seen that the road level near the exit of Le Verger dropped, creating a dip - the extra traffic using Parade Road could cause further issues.

This proposal will create more problems than it solves, especially as traffic will in effect be condensed from two roads into one.

The issue therefore is the speed of vehicles using St John's Road....the solution is to install raised tables to slow traffic using this route.

I trust you will consider all the information I have provided.

Kind regards,

To: Cc: Subject: Date: Attachments: ; Tristen Dodd; Tom Binet: Simon Crowcroft Ke: Parade Koad / St John's Road Accident Data 29 June 2023 01:30:08 RTC. NewStJohnsRd.xlsx New St John's Road RTC All v3.png

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Thank you

This data clearly shows that there are much more pressing areas within the PoSH for the govt/parish to consider making safer rather than addressing the rather short list of incidents on St John's Road If I may make a pedantic request that you refer to road incidents as "incidents" or "collisions" and refrain from the word "accident" as is the correct guideline for reporting these matters. It helps to frame the issues more appropriately (https://www.rc-rg.com/ for future reference)

The proposal of forcing more traffic down Parade Road dramatically increasing the levels of pollution outside a primary school, Helvetia House School is unwarranted and as I have stated on other emails to those copied in, breaks Article 24 of the UN Human Rights - Convention on the Rights of the Child and is therefore unacceptable, particularly when the pollution readings outside the school are already excessive

No govt Dept or parish official should be promoting a scheme which breaks UN conventions, particularly those associated to the rights of a child, so it is surprising that this proposal in the current guise has made it this far

Please provide a summary of the discussions around the pollution impact on Helvetia House School, the largest commercial enterprise on Parade Road and a list of the dates that the Dept met with the school to discuss these plans prior to their announcement

As stated previously, Parade Road should be 20mph and the concept of "car as guest" with essentially "access to premises only" enforced. West Park Avenue direction should be reversed with access from Parade Road only and "car as guest" Elizabeth Lane should also be Access Only and "Car as Guest" with people exiting right into Parade Road. The "access only" can be for residents and those using businesses on Elizabeth Lane and Parade Road only, including BBC Radio Jersey and Helvetia House School

If you wanted to make the lower section of St John's Road "safer" then introduce street furniture similar to St Martin Village/St Mary Village Making the surrounding lanes/roads "car as guest" will encourage more pedestrians and cyclists to use these safer streets

The current proposal, will still have traffic filtering up from Roussell Street and Undercliffe Road, unless you are proposing to make that closed off to those wanting to head south down St John's Road which we know is unworkable

It is my contention that the current proposal is so terribly designed, and completely ignores many factors, not least the unnecessary and excessive increase this will lead to of pollution at the Parade Road/Elizabeth Place junction

If the intention is to make the road network in this area safer there are many better ways to do this, in my humble opinion. There are no feasible reasons why Parade Road and connected roads cannot be made "car as guest" and access only. Technology and strong enforcement at the start and intermittent thereafter can swiftly deal with any issues, along with appropriate signage.

I look forward to continuing the debate and engaging with other related parties on this matter

Kind regards

On 28 Jun 2023, at 09:48,

Hi

Please find attached the accident data for the area around St Johns Road / Parade Road.

Kind regards,

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From:
To: Tom Bine

Subject: Fwd: St John"s Road Trial Scheme

Date: 27 June 2023 15:59:52
Attachments: 18.jpq

Proposal for St John"s Road.pdf

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Dear Deputy Binet,

Please find below an email that I have sent to Infrastructure, Housing and Environment (IHE) and the Parish of St Helier. I would be grateful if you can consider our position with regards the proposed changes to St John's Road.

In essence we strongly support the need for change to the traffic management along St John's Road, however the current proposals will make it impossible

We would like this to be considered before the temporary changes are made.

Best regards

----- Forwarded message -----

From:

Date: Tue, 27 Jun 2023 at 10:16 Subject: St John's Road Trial Scheme To: <dfi@gov.je>, <townhall@sthelier.je>

Good morning

I am writing to express our support for the proposed changes to the traffic layout on St John's Road. I am hoping to see the exhibition on Thursday but I may not be able to make it so I wanted to write to you with our thoughts now.

the difficulties with the traffic on the road.
struck by wing mirrors in the past trying to walk into town.

young
children it is not possible to get the pushchair fully on the pavement and it is pushed part

children it is not possible to get the pushchair fully on the pavement and it is pushed part on the pavement and part on the road.

Something needs to be done and we applaud your efforts.

We do have one negative point we wish to raise.

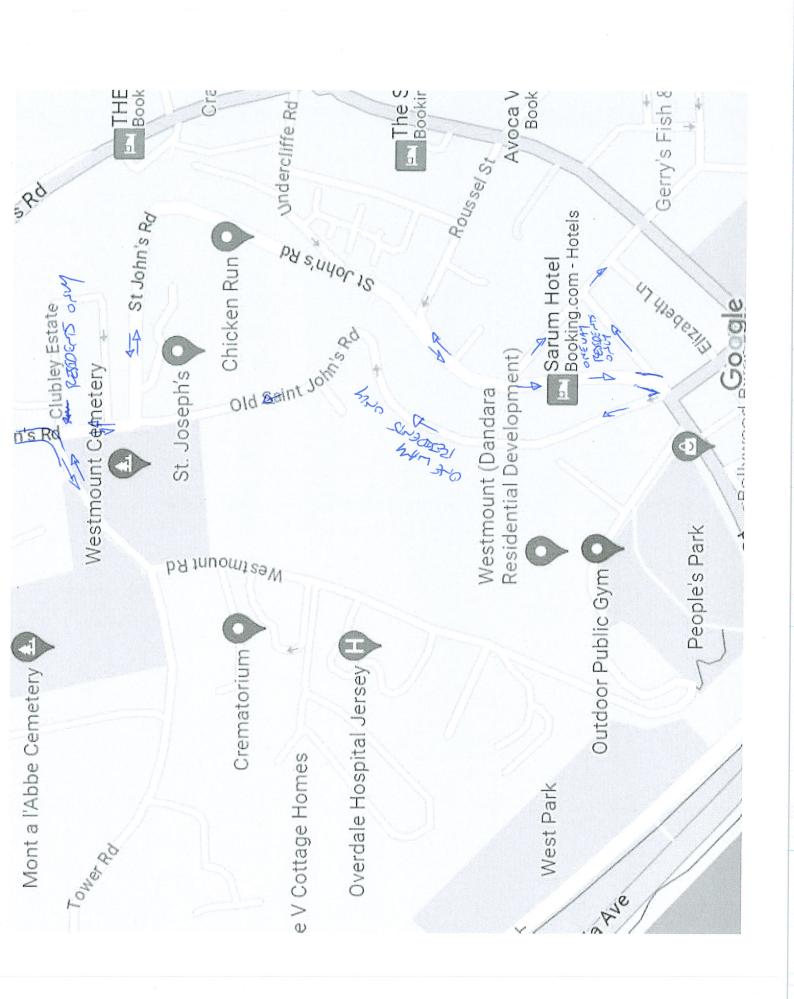
Our proposal we would like to suggest is the following:

- As much as possible the main traffic flows are encouraged to use Rouge Boullion and Queens Road when heading north / south and away from the residential areas around St John's Road and Old st John's Road
- St John's Road, Old St John's Road, Parade Park, West Park Avenue, Roussel Street and Undercliff Road become 'Access to Residents Only'
- Old St John's Road becomes northbound only. Even at the southern end which is currently two way.
- The southern end of St John's Road becomes southbound only
- The junction with Tower Road is modified as the current proposal to make the dominant traffic flow head south down Tower Road and/or Westmount Road
- Pavements are widened and traffic calming measures introduced along Old St John's Road and St John's Road (including the northern two way part, with 'priority to oncoming traffic' introduced)
- Where possible include planting, shrubs, trees and 'greening up' where space allows as part of the changes to make it more pleasant for pedestrians
- These proposals will make a 'loop' around Old St John's Road and St John's Road however if traffic calming measures are in place this should stop it becoming a rat run/race track
- Where pavements are widened allow for dropped kerbs/vague kerb/road boundaries, or unloading bays, for short stops for deliveries, unloading vehicles, tradesmen to drop off materials, taxi's to collect etc. One option may be to make a wide pavement on one side only?

I would be interested to hear from you

Best regards





28 June 2023 21:00

Sent: To:

Simon Crowcroft

Cc:

Tom Binet

Subject:

Parade Road

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Constable Crowcroft

of a child at Helvetia, who drops off and parks in Elizabeth Lane car park daily, I am extremely disappointed to learn of the plans to redirect traffic via Parade Road.

The traffic lights at the end of Parade Road currently only allow 3 at most vehicles through at a time, how long will it take for the traffic to back up, the road and how difficult will it be to exit Elizabeth Lane.

Hopefully this information will be taken into account, as the traffic light system will have to be altered, backing up traffic in all directions, on the ring road.

Sent from my iPhone

28 June 2023 12:44

Sent: To:

Tom Binet; Simon Crowcroft;

Cc:

Subject:

One-way trial on lower part of St John's Road

Attachments:

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Dear Tom, Simon and

Hope all is well.

Just read the, 'One-way trial on lower part of St John's Road' on GoJ newsroom - fantastic initiative. Keen to support and work with you on the three-month trial. Will pop down and see the exhibition tomorrow at the Parish Hall. Also, as pre/during/post trial - happy to share.

Best wishes,



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For wellbeing and work-life balance we are now open:

8am - 5pm Monday – Thursday

8am - 2pm on Friday ... Let the weekends start early!

Sent: 27 June 2023 14:30

To:

Tom Binet

Cc:

Subject:

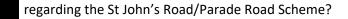
Parade Road One-Way

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Hi Tom

Would I be able to have a chat with you in



I think you've been misled on this and the Parish are going to throw the Government under the bus once the hits the fan.



Simon Crowcroft @S

This is a Government improvement plan while Committee supports a presented at a drop in 5.30.



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they're dressing it up as a road safety improvement plan, which it is not.

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Subject:	Parade Road Traffic	
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Mr Binet		
	Helvetia House School () and am very concerned about the
impact on the v	volume of traffic that the new Parish scheme to divert new	w St John's road traffic via Parade Road.
I consider that t	t the noise from heavy goods vehicles and the exhaust fum	nes may make it impossible for the 90 +
primary age girl	irls to enjoy their schooling and break times in the playgrou	unds.
The environmen	ent trialed air pollution monitoring on the building (in line	with clean air at schools on main roads
)some years ago system never w		received any data and I understand the
•	cern is that the parents collect their children and exit Elizab	oeth lane into Parade Road . This will cause
•	and frustrations for all motorists.	
My last comme	nent is that if the trial period is during school holidays then	it will give a false impression of the traffic
scenario.		
•	nool has been operating since 1889 and it is a shame that	the need to
accommodate r	e noise and pollution .	

Sent from my iPhone

From: Sent:

To:

Cc:

28 June 2023 21:02

Tom Binet

From: Simon Crowcroft
Sent: 28 June 2023 07:54

To: ; Tom Binet **Subject:** Re: Proposed changes to lower end of St John's Road

Hi

Thanks for your email and I'm sorry that the proposed trial has taken you by surprise. The purpose of Thursday's drop in session and the leaflets that have been circulated along with the press release is to elicit just the kind of feedback you have provided and I'm sure that the officers who have designed the trial scheme will take on board your comments.

Kind regards

Simon

From:

Sent: 27 June 2023 20:52

To: infrastructure@sthelier.je <infrastructure@sthelier.je>; Simon Crowcroft <S.Crowcroft@gov.je>; Tom Binet

<T.Binet@gov.je>

Subject: Proposed changes to lower end of St John's Road

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Dear Sir,

I am writing of Old St John's road. I am unable to attend the town hall meeting on the subject of this email, as I am

I wish to register my protest at such a change to the road.

There are two principle reasons.

The first is that much traffic will be forced to use Westmount road, and this will leave that area stretching from St John's road to the top of Mont Pele experiencing a great deal of congestion on a road which is far too narrow and presents a danger to pedestrians and traffic currently, so the proposed changes will only worsen an already problematic situation.

The second is the following. Currently, if I am returning from the ring road, I can turn right into Roussel Street, and join St John's road, which allows me to drive down and access Old St John's road.

When the proposed change is trialled, to return home from the ring road, I will have to perform a ridiculously lengthened journey in comparison, driving down the Parade past the hospital, down Gloucester Street, and onto the esplanade west, only to take a turn onto the road past People's park.

Will you then ban drivers from cutting through from Gloucester Street to Kensington place via Patriotic street car park, to make our lives as residents in that area even more difficult?

So the proposed change to the road will negatively impact the quality of life of residents of the area quite considerably, whilst at the same time increasing the danger to drivers and pedestrians generally, at the top of Mont Pele/Westmount road.

So, please do not consider this change, and certainly register my discontent, despite my absence from the meeting.

I would also like to add that I am extremely disappointed that the proposed changes have been introduced quite suddenly and without any really sufficient period of notice. This is not the first time that this disregard for the importance of public consultation has occurred, the case in point being the changes made recently to Old St John's road, even though I support that change.

Yours faithfully

From: Sent:

27 June 2023 11:18

To: Subject: Simon Crowcroft; Tom Binet St John's road 1 way proposal

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Good morning,

I am writing to you both to slam the proposed idea to turn St John's road into a one way road for cars. this road and frankly I think it has not been thought out clearly at all. As is the case with most government proposals. Clearly nobody has been consulted about this proposal and this will cause far more traffic issues as a result.

It seems to me that these proposals are being agreed to cut the number of cars on the road and to make it as difficult as possible for those using these roads at present.

Do a better job for this island!

Sent: <u>06 July 2023 21</u>:35

To:

Subject: FW: St Johns Road Trial Proposal

FYI...

From:

Sent: Thursday, July 6, 2023 4:56 PM

To: townhall@sthelier.je **Cc:** DFI <DFI@gov.je>

Subject: St Johns Road Trial Proposal

Dear Sirs

Attn: Roads Committee

I attended the Town Hall last week to view the plans for the trial change of traffic flow in and around New St John's Road. As a of Old St John's Road we are accustomed to using Undercliff Road to access New St John's Road and then Old St John's Road when we travel from St Martin (which we do 3-5 times a week). Your proposal will mean we either have to travel up Queens Road, turn into New St John's Road, then Tower Road and down Westmount OR continue round Rouge Bouillon, left into Parade, cross lanes to access Gloucester Street, turn right into Esplanade and finally right into St aubins Road all to access Old St John's Road. This second option involves 7 sets of traffic lights.

Walking round the area it seems obvious that Parade Road will become congested as the lights at the junction with Elizabeth Place typically allow only a few cars to get through. It will also likely mean that vehicles using West Park Avenue will have difficulty accessing the traffic flow in Parade Road.

To deal with both these consequences I wonder if consideration has been given to reversing the traffic flow in West Park Avenue. This would enable residents, deliveries, taxis and visitors to Old St John's Road to have shorter access to their road, saving time and fuel, whilst only adding a little to access (via New St John's Road and Parade Road) for the residents of West Park Avenue. It would also provide an alternative for accessing Parade/Gloucester Street from Parade Road.

Your comments will be appreciated.

Sent: 05 July 2023 07:42

To:

Subject: FW: St John's Road trial scheme

FYI...

From:

Sent: Tuesday, July 4, 2023 5:27 PM

To: infrastructure@sthelier.je; DFI <DFI@gov.je>

Subject: St John's Road trial scheme

Dear Sirs

We attended the exhibition regarding the proposed St John's Road/Parade Road trial scheme on Thursday evening and spent some time discussing it with a member of the Infrastructure Department. For context,

Everyone acknowledges the need to address the safety issue at the bottom of St John's Road, however, the issue has been exacerbated by the Parish's decision to close Old St John's Road to through traffic. It is unclear why this road cannot be reopened.

We would note that in the and used St John's Road to travel to work in town, we have not seen any rush hour monitoring of the traffic by the police/honorary police in order to deter motorists (often commercial drivers) from driving on the pavement northbound or to ensure adherence to the width restrictions in place on that road.

The flyer circulated to residents refers to 430 vehicles being rerouted from St John's Road in the morning, predominantly to Queen's Road or Westmount Road, although some will still go down St John's Road into Parade Road, resulting in significant additional traffic outside Fig Tree House and Helvetia House School. The traffic on Queen's Road is already slow moving given the amount of schools traffic turning left at the roundabout. The impact on traffic should there be an accident on one of those roads or the ring road will result in huge delays as the scheme removes one of the key routes into town.

The routing of traffic to Westmount Road raises further safety concerns as it is also narrow in places. We are sure you are aware of the issues when there is a well-attended service at the Crematorium with cars parked up to the junction with Tower Road resulting in the road becoming one lane with limited visibility. There also does not appear to be any width restrictions here. Additional concerns arise with the amount of increased traffic passing Westmount Nursery as well as the difficulties in exiting Westmount Road onto Pierson Road given the two lanes of traffic to negotiate.

The proposed development of the Overdale site leads to further questions. We recall that the original documents submitted to Planning in 2021 as part of application P2021/1398 stated that Westmount Road would be closed during Phase 3 of the demolition works. Whilst we appreciate that this application was withdrawn, it has recently been announced that Overdale is the preferred site for the new hospital. If the trial scheme is approved, how will it be impacted by the hospital development when/if it happens?

As residents of week and we have grave concerns about the removal of the 'give way' at the junction of Tower Road and St John's Road. This will result in the left turn from Tower Road into St John's Road becoming a fast sweeping turn. This increases the chance of accidents as drivers turning into Clubley Estate from Tower Road will have to stop in the middle of the road to give way to traffic turning right onto Tower Road. There is also the real risk that drivers coming up St John's Road will not stop at the proposed new 'give way' which appears to be

positioned past the entrance to Clubley Estate making it more difficult for residents to access their homes. As you will be aware, there is limited visibility when exiting Tower Road onto St John's Road.

The addition of a sign at this junction to deter motorists from driving down St John's Road will only result in additional traffic coming through Clubley Estate, either to turn around to take another route or to avoid the proposed widened footpath which drivers will not be able to pass easily given the traffic coming up St John's Road which will have to stop at the new 'give way'. The proposed signage on the flyer is contradictory so it is unclear whether the traffic going up or down St John's Road has priority. Either way, there is the potential for Clubley Estate to become a rat run or difficult for residents to access at times.

At the exhibition, it was mentioned that a previous plan had proposed reversing the flow of traffic on West Park Avenue which would appear to be a sensible suggestion as it would retain the third route into town for motorists. We note the desire to move to more sustainable transport options but the Parish and Government must acknowledge that the majority of Islanders work in St Helier and need to be able to travel there.

We look forward to hearing from you as to how our concerns will be addressed prior to the commencement of the trial scheme.

Regards

Sent: 29 June 2023 14:59

To:

Subject: FW: St John's Road trial

FYI

From:

Sent: Thursday, June 29, 2023 2:45 PM

To: DFI <DFI@gov.je>

Subject: St John's Road trial

Hello -

I'm unable to attend the St John's Road one-way trial exhibition today 29th June.

However, I'd like to express that I enthusiastically support any traffic calming measures in the area and fully support the trial.

, I am regularly a pedestrian in the area concerned. While the narrow pavements in the area make me feel unsafe anyway, motorist behaviour is often reckless. I have witnessed vehicles mounting the pavements only to keep up their speed while passing each other. Speeding is also a big problem on that stretch.

The same is true of Roussel Street which is used as a thoroughfare between Queen's Road and St John's Road.

I'm really glad the trial is taking place and hope the measures will eventually become permanent.

Kind regards



Sent from Outlook for Android

From: DFI

Sent: <u>06 July 2023 13</u>:35

To:

Subject: FW: St Johns Road

Afternoon

One for you.

Many thanks

Administrator

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From:

Sent: Thursday, July 6, 2023 1:32 PM

To: DFI <DFI@gov.je>
Subject: St Johns Road

Dear Sir

I write with reference to the proposed St Johns scheme and turning the road into a one way road.

Whilst I have been campaigning to have changes to the road the scheme has had little or no impact to the traffic at the upper end of St Johns Road.

The one way road should be South bound not North bound allowing for the free flow of traffic down the hill not up. This will alleviate the traffic coming down to West Park from Queenas Road as it has done for many years. If the scheme is implemented there will be tail back as the Signal cycle allows only 4 cars on a good day per cycle normally it is 2 and therefore the cycle should be reviewed.

Raised tables should also be installed on upper St Johns Road.

I have lived in this road for a number of years and with the plans in their current form traffic will come to a stand still.

Kind regards

From: DFI

Sent: <u>27 June 2023 1</u>1:01

To:

Subject: FW: St John's road

Morning

One for you.

Many thanks

Administrator

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From:

Sent: Monday, June 26, 2023 11:24 AM

To: DFI <DFI@gov.je> **Subject:** FW: St John's road

Sent from my Galaxy

----- Original message ------

From:

Date: 26/06/2023 11:22 (GMT+00:00)

To: <u>infrastructure@sthelier.je</u> Subject: St John's road

Dear sir.

st John's road

I am always delighted when I get home in one piece lol

So finding out about the one way system today was great news I really hope that it is a success and becomes permanent.

Thanks for this fantastic news

Regards

Sent from my Galaxy

Sent: 03 July 2023 12:40

To:

Subject: FW: St Johns Road/Parade Road

From:

Sent: Monday, July 3, 2023 12:25 PM

To: Simon Crowcroft <S.Crowcroft@gov.je>; DFI <DFI@gov.je>

Subject: St Johns Road/Parade Road

Hello Simon,

I hope you are well.

I attended the meeting re the trial scheme regarding the one way into St Johns Road on Thursday. Whilst it is a step in the right direction, concerns must be raised however when cars directed into the middle of the road when moving back to the two way flow. The cars will join the road in the middle of the road and on the bend, when cars coming down may pull out to turn left into Parade road. This has to be addressed somehow.

Then further along the road the mount view building is still running two or more takeaway businesses of chicken run and funky fish from the mount view. The cars in the road are causing obstruction everyday except Mondays, from around 5.30 to 7.30-8.30. Vehicles are waiting all over the pavement on the top of Roussel street and in the road outside the mount view and in close de balmain while waiting on collecting the deliveries. The drivers then speed off up or down the road with their exhausts popping loudly.

I think the one way part is very welcome but the issues i have raised also need urgently addressing.

with kind regards



From: DFI

Sent: <u>03 July 2023 10</u>:39

To:

Subject: FW: View on proposed change of layout to St John's Road

Morning

One for you.

Many thanks



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From:

Sent: Friday, June 30, 2023 7:02 PM

To: DFI <DFI@gov.je>

Subject: View on proposed change of layout to St John's Road

Dear Sirs

Many thanks for organising the open plan event at the Parish Hall last week.

I had a good chat with neighbours and fellow reisdents. All the people I spoke to generally seemed keen on the temporary new layout. It will reduce congestion in traffic and make the road more accessible for chikdren, infirm people and those with disabilities. However I/we feel that it should be made one way in the other direction. As for residents with parking permits (which I am not one), it eill make it easier for them to drive around to find a space in the area.

Regards

From: 28 June 2023 12:07

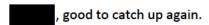
To: Cc:

Subject: Re: Parade Road / St John's Road

Simon Crowcroft;

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Thank you Simon.



Can I ask that you respond to the questions I have raised in the below email regarding incidents, collisions and reports of incidents (including any near misses that were reported) on lower St John's Road in last 5 years. To include if possible by category of incident (motor vehicle, cycle, pedestrian).

I look forward to receiving the data shortly.

Kind regards

On 28 Jun 2023, at 02:26, Simon Crowcroft <Simon.Crowcroft@sthelier.je> wrote:

Hi Government Infrastructure will have the accident data you're looking for, cc'd

Kind regards Simon

From: Sent: Wednesday, June 28, 2023 4:52 am

To: Simon Crowcroft <Simon.Crowcroft@sthelier.je>

Cc:

Subject: Re: Parade Road / St John's Road

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Thank you Simon, I will follow up with the Infrastructure Dept directly on my questions.

As for the road safety on lower St John's Road can you please direct me or provide the data on reported incidents, say for the past five years. I'm sure, like many roads such as Midvale, there will be reports concerning the narrow road at lower St John's, but on this specific stretch it would be helpful to know the specific data on incident reports, actual incidents involving injury to pedestrians,

and other road collisions.

We should be looking to introduce VNPR software to monitor access by vehicles which could easily be introduced at the top of Parade Road and so any pushback on an Access Only introduction can be swiftly and easily rebuked.

I look forward to your response, and will as I say follow up with the govt officers on the other points.

Kind regards



> On 27 Jun 2023, at 08:49, Simon Crowcroft <Simon.Crowcroft@sthelier.je> wrote: > > Hi > This is a government-led scheme which is trying to tackle the road safety problems at the bottom of St John's Rd. It's being presented at a drop in event at the Town Hall on Thursday at 5.30. As far as the info you're requesting that should really come from the Infrastructure Department so can I suggest you contact the department please. > Kind regards > Simon > -----Original Message-----> From: > Sent: 27 June 2023 09:33 > To: Simon Crowcroft <Simon.Crowcroft@sthelier.je> > Cc: > Subject: Parade Road / St John's Road > Dear Simon, > I trust you are well. > I am which means I will miss the short consultation display for the St John's Road / Parade Road changes. > Upon reviewing what is currently publicly available, I am astounded that this scheme was even drafted as a suggestion, let alone going to trial. We have a primary school at the foot of Parade Road where the young children are already exposed every single school day to unnecessary idling traffic as cars are sat on Parade Road or Elizabeth Place waiting at traffic lights. Early indications from the air sensor data from the area exceeded the European limits almost constantly, ensuring the girls are coping with life shortening air and tyre particle pollution when attending school. I believe that the

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those rights.

> If anything we should be seeking to reduce motor vehicle traffic down Parade Road and making it access only for residents and those working at BBC Radio Jersey, and traffic from Elizabeth Lane. There are no good reasons for Parade Road to have any other traffic on it, other than that outlined above.

UN Charter for Children's Rights would seem the proposal in Parade Road as a contravention of

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> The St John's Road section is narrow and the concerns about pedestrian safety can be alleviated by making Parade Road a "cars as guest" so pedestrians are more likely (those who have concerns walking on St John's Road) to use Parade Road.

> Can you please provide highlighted details of the conversations that have been had with residents of Parade Road, and connecting roads, including BBC Radio Jersey, but most importantly with Helvetia House School which has over 100 pupils, and therefore the largest single enterprise on the proposal.

> I look forward to receiving a response in the next couple of days and I will be liaising with the Helvetia Parents Association and with the school themselves.

> Kind regards

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> Thank You.

From:
Sent: 29 June 2023 09:34
To: Infrastructure; DFI
Subject: St John's Road

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Good morning, I am unable to attend the meeting this evening regarding changes to traffic flow on New St John's Road.

I am extremely disappointed that this 'trial" has already been approved without residents consultation.

I live which is already used as a rat run for non residents of Roussel Street, my car has been damaged several times without any ownership of damage. Roussel Street and Parade Road are narrow roads Parade Road where all downward traffic is to be directed is narrow, has a School entrance at the bottom next to traffic lights where cars will have engines running causing more pollution. A road has already been closed to allow pupils to access St Lukes School safely, yet the complete opposite is being done to Helvetia School.

Rouge Bouillon is already grid locked at peak times, making it near impossible to exit if turning left.

There are 2 Emergency Services who exit onto Rouge Bouillon in an already gridlocked road, causing potential delays when responding to emergencies.

As part of this trial is air quality going to be monitored as I am already unable to open my windows at certain times of the day due to pollution and noise of vehicles.

Regards

Sent from my Galaxy

Sent: 27 June 2023 17:01
To: Infrastructure
Subject: St John's road

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Good afternoon.

I have just been having a look at the proposed changes to the traffic flow around new st John's Road, looking at the drawings and proposed diversions it all looks positive to me,

i will feel so much safer

stepping out of my front door each morning not only me but for all the residents, it has been a long time coming but I can only see a positive and safer outcome.

I will endeavour to be at the meeting on Thursday obviously depending on circumstances.

Kind regards

Sent: 12 July 2023 20:06

To:

Cc:

Subject:

St Johns Road new road layout

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In relation to the new proposed road layout at the bottom of St Johns Road I just want to point out an issue for everyone that lives on Old St Johns Road when travelling from the other end of town. I regularly drive from St Saviours Road home to old St Johns Road where I drive down past the filter in turn just past Hotel De France, turning left into Janvrin Road (to avoid the huge grid lock from the top of St Saviours Road, down past Springfield Stadium and then around the gyratory system), right on to Stopford Road, across the lights down Victoria Street, left onto New Street and right onto the road near Garden Lane. I then take a u-turn up Great Union Road (again to avoid a grid lock on Hue Street) right up to the lights on Rouge Boullion. I then cross over the junction onto Roussell Street to turn left on to the bottom on St Johns Road to make a u-turn on to Old St Johns Road. By making the bottom of Sr Johns Road one way at the bottom you are making us travel down Parade Road, past the hospital, down Gloucester Street. Left onto the end of the Esplanade and then right onto either the road past Grand Hotel or around the round about, along the road parallel to People's Park and then up Old St Johns Road! Any other route will result in sitting huge grid locks!

Why can't you operate a filter in turn system at all congested yellow lines to keep the traffic flowing and avoiding grid locks?

Another huge concern I have is that whilst the traffic has significantly reduced on Old St Johns Road since implementing the access to premises only, there is still traffic that ignores this rule and speed way too fast up the road as it starts to incline before the sharp corner. This is only inevitably going to worsen by making St Johns Road one way north ways as you are going to force more traffic up Old St Johns Road. I would like to see the largest and highest of sleeping policemen to at least slow the excess traffic down although another suggestion could be to see the road blocked in the middle where the top half residents can only access premises from the top end and vice versa for the residents at the bottom. Otherwise, I'm not sure how you would police it?

I look forward to your comments but can only see you forcing vehicles to be placed in huge grid locks and having to travel further to get to their destinations which surely is going to have the opposite effect that you are trying to obtain?

Many thanks

resident of Old St Johns Road.

Sent from Outlook for iOS