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Hastings Community Association

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Saturday 7th December 2013

Dear Sirs

Loughborough Town Centre : Proposals for Pedestrianisation options

At the November meeting of our Association I was authorised by members to inform you of the decision of this Association's members regarding the options offered in the recent consultation on pedestrianisation of the town centre as part of the improvement scheme which has also involved the construction of the Inner Relief Road.

The meeting was unanimous in its decision, namely that we support the third option for <u>complete exclusion</u> of buses from the designated pedestrian zone. The proposal had the 100% support of members attending and wide consultation of members and residents produced only one supporter of an option to allow buses access.

This matter has been under consideration for several years and the views of the community could not be clearer.

If you proceed with the proposal to enable access by buses to the pedestrianized area you will be acting in defiance of the expressed will of the overwhelming majority of residents of Hastings Ward, the area of Loughborough most directly affected by the scheme.

Please ensure that this settled judgement of the local community is relayed to the Councillors and others involved in the decision as to which option is accepted.

The people in our community have borne and will bear the major impact of this scheme the prize should at least be a truly 'walkable' and safe town centre.

Yours sincerely

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