

Spaces for People

Scheme Review Form

Location	Original justification
Morningside Town Centre	To provide safe space for pedestrians to walk, exercise and access local shops. To provide safe cycling routes and prioritise public transport as an alternative to driving.

Overall Programme Monitoring Objectives

To protect public health by:

- a) creating safe spaces for walking and cycling that encourage more people to choose active methods of travel as a safe, physically-distanced way to move around the city, preventing a growth in private car use and associated congestion and air pollution
- b) enabling safe physical distancing for everyone during their journeys, daily (government-approved) activities and exercise in the city's streets
- c) mitigating any increased road safety risk as a result of people physical distancing in the city's streets
- d) Supporting adaptation and resilience

Spaces for exercise objectives:

- a) to improve distancing opportunities and road safety at popular exercise spots.
- b) to provide spacious alternatives to paths and routes that are busy with pedestrians and cyclists
- c) to safely link together off-road walking and cycling routes to provide spaces for exercising that are safe from traffic.

Travelling safely objectives:

- a) To facilitate the safe movement of people by foot and cycle across the city, providing an alternative form of travel to private car that still allows the public to feel safe from Covid and road safety risks
- b) To provide an effective, physically distanced alternative means of travel around the city to public transport, whilst PT capacity is reduced due to physical distancing requirements.
- c) Continue to protect and prioritise the city's bus and tram service in order that public transport can operate reliably, thereby maintaining a service frequency that can deliver social distancing for passengers.

Space in the City Centre and town centres objectives:

- a) To enable physical distancing to be practised in the city centre, on local high streets and around neighbourhood shops
- b) To create more public space around shops, cafés and restaurants to support business recovery
- c) To free up space for physical distancing, whilst not subjecting the bus network to significant extra delay

Project Review:

Do the SFP measures meet the project objectives:	YES	NO
implement safe physical distancing to support cycling and walking travel for exercise and essential journeys;	Y	
reduce infection risk on heavily used routes by providing traffic control measures and alternative routes;	Y	
prioritise the implementation of measures in areas of deprivation where car use or public transport access is limited;		N
prioritise access to local exercise and greenspaces, employment centres, and service hubs(e.g. hospitals & schools)	Y	
Improvement for pedestrians	Y	
Improvement for cyclists	Y	
Improvement for public transport		N
<p>Have additional measures been introduced – if yes provide details:</p> <p><u>Previous changes have been made after Design Review Group (DRG) approval from previous reviews, these are detailed in previous review documents.</u></p> <p>Further changes were discussed with traders, Local Councillors and Community Councils. The below changes were made 5th and 6th May 2021</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Footway widening at Sainsbury's – Reduce by 2 pay & display parking bays on north side of section. 2. Footway widening outside Booze & Vape/ Quick Bite – reduce on north side by approximately 3 metres. 3. Footway widening outside Houseproud of Morningside Ltd – reduce on northside by 5m. 4. Footway widening outside Chalmers Church (junction with Newbattle Terrace) – review on going to allow more loading/unloading for church. 5. Footway widening outside Bravado – remove short section of footway widening. 6. Footway widening outside S.Luca – reduce on the south side by approximately 3 metres. 	Y	

Road Safety Audit feedback:
Results of Stage 3 Road Safety Audit discussed in December 2020 review.

Public Feedback / Complaints

Since the February review the below feedback/complaints have been received.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• X3 contact from Chalmers Church regarding footway widening on east side just north of Newbattle Terrace – to allow access for weddings and funerals.• Discussion with Traders, Community Council and Local Councillor's regarding current measures and desired adjustments -see changes section above.• Service request – negative feedback about all Spaces for People measures causing visual pollution.• Service request – detailing difficulty accessing right turn lane at Church Hill (heading northbound) from designated cycle lane.• 1 report of member of the public tripping on segregation unit – no claim submitted yet.• 1 further report of member of the public tripping on segregation unit – no claim submitted yet. |
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Review Groups recommendations:

Design Team's recommendation would be to keep the current measures in place.

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Site visits were carried out regularly between February 2021 to April 2021.

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