

## Appendix C- Objections

### Objection 1-

'Can I ask why yet again the private hire industry has been left out over the decision to, not allow PH vehicles to collect customers the top end of Commercial road. Could you please explain how as a transport company we are supposed to pick up disabled, vulnerable and the tax payors of Portsmouth?'

### Objection 2-

'I would like to raise an objection to the bus gate restricting access to two-wheeled vehicles such as motorcycles. As you must be aware that part of the road which is designated as a bus gate also provides access for the purposes of loading/unloading.

The complaints that "loading/unloading" obstructing the buses as the main motivator for the bus gate is unfair to motorcyclists who are not responsible for this obstruction but would be caught by this restriction. The restriction of motorcycles also affects the numerous delivery riders (eg. grab) who are not designated as taxis but perform a similar civic function in service of the portsmouth community. I have personally spoken to these deliveroo/grab riders and they say they are caught by this order.

May I suggest that the authority allow motorcyclists to use the bus gate, and ideally extend this to allow all motorcycles use bus lanes in Portsmouth.

The City of London allows motorcyclists to use bus lanes and access to bus lanes might increase motorcycle traffic which has been shown in studies to reduce congestion.

I would also like to add that the signage and layout on the approach to Lake Road from Spicer Street is confusing. The no left turn does not indicate a bus gate. The one way right arrow on the far side is not clear which lane it refers to as cyclists are able to turn left into the bus gate. The shape of Spicer Road curves left and at the junction there is a traffic island halfway across on the centreline which makes it awkward for a car to turn right without cutting the corner of the "Give Way" markings on the road.

Overall, I contend that allowing motorcyclists access to bus lanes/gates will not cause any additional congestion and will contribute to the service economy of two-wheeled motorcycle delivery drivers.'