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Annwyl / Dear Councillor Mitchell

**Environmental Scrutiny Committee – Budget Scrutiny Meeting – 14
February 2017**

Thank you for your letter dated 14 February 2017. In reply, I would like to respond to the Committee's comments on the 2017/18 budget proposals as follows:

20mph Zones

The draft report on the evaluation of the pilot 20mph zone in Cathays is currently being approved and is expected to be published in the Spring of 2017. A copy of the report will be provided to the Committee for its consideration as soon as it is available. The information contained in the report includes a full background of the scheme, including lessons learned, and we are committed to applying the learning to the wider roll out of 20mph limits within Cardiff. Comparative data is also being collated and will be provided to the Committee at the same time as the evaluation report.

Hostile Vehicle Mitigation

The Council is committed to the continued development of a city-wide approach to hostile vehicle mitigation in the light of the sustained threat of global terrorism and the 'Severe' status of the current terror threat to the UK. The proposed budget allocation of £250k in 2017/18 will support the installation of appropriate infrastructure in the city and we are continuing to explore funding options (including with partners) to further develop the city's mitigation measures.

Parking Sensor Apps

The Committee's supportive comments about the use of technology to assist in better managing parking and traffic congestion in Cardiff are noted. As was recognised by the Committee, the Council is helping to pioneer the development

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Mae'r Cyngor yn croesawu gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg a Saesneg a byddwn yn sicrhau ein bod yn cyfathrebu a chi yn eich dewis iaith boed yn Gymraeg, yn Saesneg neu'n ddawieithog dim ond chi roi gwybod i ni po yn sydd well gennych. Ni fydd gohebu yn Gymraeg yn creu unrhyw oedi.

of this technology and any future income opportunities that may be realised from knowledge transfer will be assessed by the Council at an appropriate stage.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yn gwyir,
Yours sincerely,



Y Cynghorydd / Councillor Ramesh Patel
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Cabinet Member for Transport, Planning & Sustainability

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14 February 2017

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Dear Councillor Patel,

**Environmental Scrutiny Committee – Budget Scrutiny Meeting – 14
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On behalf of the Environmental Scrutiny Committee I would like to thank you and the officers from the City Operations Directorate for attending the Committee meeting on Tuesday 14 February 2017. As you are aware the meeting considered the 'Draft Budget Proposals 2017/18'. The comments and observations made by Members following this item are set out in this letter.

- As stated during previous scrutiny Members support the idea of developing further 20 mph zones across Cardiff and welcome the additional £200,000 allocated towards such schemes in the Financial Resilience Mechanism; the Committee looks forward to more 20 mph schemes being rolled out across the city. To further supplement the knowledge of the Committee I would be grateful if you could provide copies of the following when they become available:
 - The Cathays 20 mph pilot scheme evaluation;
 - Details of lessons learnt from the Cathays scheme and an assurance that these will be applied to future schemes;
 - The comparative data on 20 mph schemes gathered from across the United Kingdom; for example, from Edinburgh and London.

- The Committee welcomes the additional funds allocated from the Financial Resilience Mechanism towards improvements of the highway asset, for

example, the £540,000 for highway & footway reconstruction and the £320,000 for continued targeted highway improvement across the city. The Members feel that it is important for the budget process to direct additional fund towards such a citizen priority.

- The Committee agree with the allocation of £250,000 towards 'Hostile Vehicle Mitigation' measures to help protect key areas of the city centre. However, given the scale of the task they are concerned that the sum is not enough. I would be grateful if you could confirm they type of measures that the monies will provide and assurance that the sum allocated is sufficient.
- Members felt that the introduction of 'parking sensor apps' was an exciting new development which illustrates the Council's appetite to embrace new technology to help better manage parking and traffic congestion. As the Council is helping to pioneer the development of this technology the Committee hopes it will one day create future income opportunities, for example, selling the knowledge gained to other local authorities.

I would be grateful if you would consider the above comments and provide a response to the content of this letter.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "P. D. Mitchell". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underlining the name.

Councillor Paul Mitchell
Chairperson Environmental Scrutiny Committee

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