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Ms Catherine Vaughan - Acting Chief Executive Cllr Ian Davey - Chair of Transport Committee Brighton & Hove City Council

29th October 2012

Dear Catherine,

Proposed Lewes Road Transport Scheme

I am writing on behalf of all Ward councillors and we would request that this letter from the Moulsecoomb and Bevendean Ward Councillors is placed on the agenda of the next Transport Committee and that one of us is invited to the meeting to speak to it. Our residents are very concerned about these proposals and the lasting negative impact they will have on their lives and those of their families. We hope that you will listen carefully to all of the objections as residents feel you have not taken the expansion of the area into account. They also feel that the traffic data does not take into account Amex, BACA, The Keep and the new proposed Ambulance Station so that it is out of date information.

We acknowledge that at its meeting on 2nd October, the Transport Committee agreed that the proposals for this scheme should move to the next stage of public consultation and we request that the following points are taken into consideration as part of that consultation.

- That during the construction works, and following implementation, safe access to and from the Lewes Road to Moulsecoomb and Bevendean is maintained as a priority, especially at rush hour. This is to ensure that residents in these areas with disabilities, small children and older people can still access shops and other services with ease. It is also important that school buses are not impeded and able to run on time so that children are not late for school.
- That access is maintained to and from the above areas for the emergency services including taking into account the operation of the proposed new Ambulance Station.
- That particular attention is paid to the design and signage at bus stops and the cycle lanes adjacent to them so that there is not conflict between pedestrians and cyclists.
- That careful traffic modelling and assessments are carried out as to the likelihood of 'rat-running' through the adjoining residential areas and, if necessary, mitigation measures are put in place to prevent this.
- That robust measures be taken to ensure traffic flows properly after the proposals have been agreed and implemented so traffic is not built back up through the estates due to cyclists and cars blocking access for residents.

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In addition to the points above we would welcome the setting up of a Residents Liaison Group to which Ward councillors would be invited and that would enable factual information to be given to all residents as the scheme progresses and for their concerns to be heard.

Yours sincerely

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