

Streets for People Levenshulme & Burnage C/O Tom Haines-Doran



31st October 2022

Dear Tom Haines-Doran and Streets for People Levenshulme & Burnage,

## Response regarding a public statement on Levenshulme & Burnage Active Neighbourhood

Thank you for your letter of 18<sup>th</sup> October 2022. I wanted to ensure you are aware I have been away for half term, but in the meantime have requested a detailed response to your questions from TfGM so that I can better direct next steps. I am also in contact with ClIr Bev Craig and will be attending the Design Review Panel meeting when MCC present this scheme for funding consideration.

Currently the scheme, in the form presented on the MCC website, has not yet been brought to Design Review Panel and so there has not been any approval from TfGM to the most recent changes.

When I came in to post I was advised that the GM Streets for All Design guide was being developed by TfGM, of which one aspect will be clearer definitions of the different street typologies. I have made it a priority to better define the role of Active Neighbourhoods within this Design Guide and have been pushing for the completion of this.

Tomorrow I will be launching a refreshed mission for GM's Active Travel programme and it would be great if you are able to join us to hear firsthand about the principles and priorities I will be upholding across the region as leaders and elected members work with myself and our Transport Commissioner, Vernon Everitt, to deliver an integrated Bee Network with active travel at its heart. Active Neighbourhoods are a key component to reducing the need to make short journeys in cars and in addition to the priorities, I will be sharing 10 recommendations to enable the mission to be successful.

Please be assured the scheme currently proposed will be rigorously reviewed and required to fulfil the objectives laid out in Bee Network standards, as agreed by the Leaders. I am

committed to delivering Bee Network standards on all schemes and I will work closely with Leaders to ensure these standards are upheld.

Yours sincerely,

Dame Sarah Storey

Active Travel Commissioner for Greater Manchester