# Agenda Item 8.)

# Queen Street

Update on Temporary Scheme and Further Consultation

### Queen Street-Background

- Weekday- 9000 pedestrians movements
- AADT 6000, main bus and Taxi route,
- Concerns about social distancing

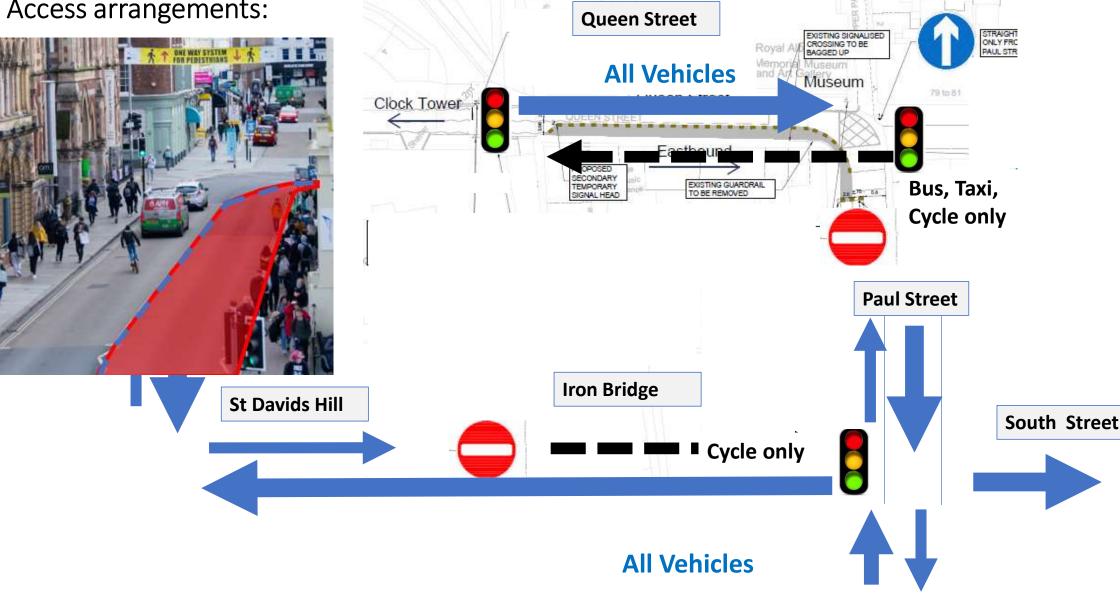


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One-way system introduced in Queen Street, Exeter, in temporary move to boost walking, cycling and social distancing during pandemic



#### Access arrangements:



### **Transport Impact**

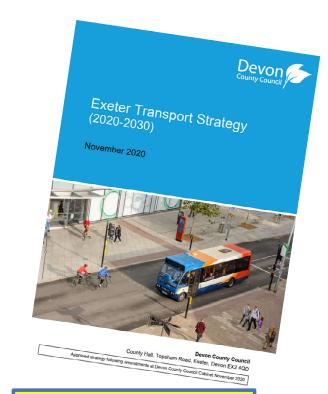
- Impact monitored through regular traffic counts (Ped, vehicle and cycle)
  - Base/before Data 2019 (also Jan 2021)
  - After Data Feb, April and June 2021
- June 2021 data- Citywide Traffic close to normal
- Compare Base/Predicted/Recorded

Iron Bridge			
Two-wa			
Base	3700		
Pred	3800	+3%	
Jan	1770	-52%	
Feb	1710	-56%	
April	2215	-40%	
June	2460	-34%	

## **Summary of Impacts**

Impact of temporary changes to Queen Street on city centre network .

Criteria	Queen Street	Iron Bridge	St David's Hill
Vehicle Volumes			
(June 2021)	- 25%	-35%	+5%
Pedestrians	Wider Footway		
Cycling	Increased	Increased	Increase
Public Transport			
Air Quality	NOx down (RAMM)		



**Increase Active Travel** 

Reduce dominance of vehicles in city centre

**Improve Air quality** 

### **Options**

#### 1.) Removal -

- Undoes positive changes seen through trial

#### 2.) Extend Trial

- More time to evaluate impacts
- Increased costs and may run out of money- forcing removal

#### 3.) Consult on making current scheme permanent

- Get user feedback to inform next steps &/or refine design
- If supported progress TROs

#### **Proposed Next Steps**

- Undertake consultation on making scheme permanent

- If supported progress TRO in liaison with local member and head of PT&E

- Decision on construction of any scheme to come before a <u>future meeting</u> of the Exeter Highways and Traffic Orders committee.