

Transport and Environment Committee

10.00am, Thursday, 18 August 2022

Objections to TRO/21/16 and TRO/21/25 – Communal Bin Review Phase 3 (Zones N1 to N5 and Zones S1 to S4)

Executive Wards	5, 7, 9, 10, 12, 15
Council Commitments	C23, C25

1. Recommendations

- 1.1 It is recommended that the Transport and Environment Committee:
 - 1.1.1 Note that the implementation of these Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) is fundamental for the delivery of Phase 3 of the Communal Bin Review (CBR) project;
 - 1.1.2 Set aside the objections that do not relate to TROs matters as outlined in Appendix 4;
 - 1.1.3 Note that the Project team has considered the feedback received and taken on board comments and objections with 10 locations proposed to not being progressed under these TROs as detailed in Appendices 1, 2 and 3; and
 - 1.1.4 Having considered the objections received to the advertised TROs, approves the making of the TROs as advertised with some amendments contained within this report and detailed in Appendices 1, 2 and 3.

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2. Executive Summary

- 2.1 On 2 July 2021 a report authorised by the Executive Director of Place under Delegated Powers commenced the legal process to promote and change parking and loading restrictions on zones N1, N2, N3, N5, S1, S2, S3 and S4 of the Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) as detailed in Appendix 5.
- 2.2 The draft Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) detailing the extent of the scheme were advertised on 12 November 2021 at which point those interested in the scheme were invited to make their views known to the Council.
- 2.3 This report details the results of that consultation and addresses the objections received, which are mainly themed around noise and air pollution, loss of parking, overflowing bins, fly tipping and road safety concerns. A total of 67 objections, 3 support responses and 3 general comments were received in relation to the advertised TRO/21/16; and a total of 32 objections and 3 comments received in relation to the advertised TRO/21/25.
- 2.4 The report recommends proceeding to make the TROs with 395 out of the 405 changes advertised related to the new bin hub sites. The rest of the advertised changes, related to transforming historic bin locations into parking space where the new bin hubs are not utilising the old locations, are also recommended to be included in the making of the TRO.
- 2.5 Out of the 10 sites recommended to be excluded from the final TROs, 8 sites would require an additional TRO to promote alternative locations, 1 site does not require a TRO and 1 site is no longer needed. This is detailed in Appendices 1, 2 and 3.

3. Background

- 3.1 The [Communal Bin Review](#) (CBR) project involves the redesign of the existing waste and recycling communal bin services that the Council provides to multi-occupancy and flatted properties.
- 3.2 The project is aiming to:

- increase and improve recycling services to residents in multi-occupancy and flatted properties providing integrated waste and recycling services;
- improve overall recycling performance;
- review the existing bin locations to develop more formalised collection hubs to improve the perception of the service and enhance the streetscape;
- improve waste and recycling service reliability; and
- ensure the service reflects changes to legislation and policies within and outwith the Council.

3.3 The Communal Bin Enhancement Update at the Transport and Environment Committee on [27 February 2020](#) outlined the city-wide parameters and criteria required to determine the new waste and recycling on street collection hubs.

3.4 In order to accommodate the revised bin layout, changes are required to the existing layout of parking places and other road-related restrictions. These changes will ensure that the new bin hub locations adequately meet the agreed parameters, as far as is feasible and practical, to support the Council's commitments to improving service delivery within waste services and increase recycling rates.

3.5 The proposed changes will improve the streetscape. Where possible, locations are being moved from pavements onto the carriageway, with barriers installed around the hubs to demarcate their space and to avoid containers from moving. Also, hubs are being proposed at least 10 metres away from junctions and crossings to improve visibility and road safety for all pavement and road users.

3.6 A Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) is required to implement these changes. This is a legal proceeding to consult on the changes proposed to the current parking and loading restrictions. As such, as part of the TRO process only matters related to these changes need to be legally considered by Committee on the making of the Orders.

3.7 The advertised TROs cover the majority of bin hub locations of Phase 3 of the Communal Bin Review (CBR) project which has already delivered most of Phase 1 and will soon start delivering Phase 2.

3.8 Without the proposed changes to the parking and loading restrictions, the new bin hubs cannot legally be introduced in these zones and Phase 3 of the CBR project could not be implemented.

4. Main report

4.1 The Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) to introduce changes on zones N1, N2, N3, N5, S1, S2, S3 and S4 of the Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) at selected locations where bin hubs would be installed was advertised between 12 November and 5 December 2021. TRO/21/16 covered N1, N2, N3 and N5 areas. TRO/21/25 covered S1, S2, S3 and S4 areas. Links to the drawings with the proposed changes can be found on Appendix 6.

- 4.2 The TROs were publicised in the following ways:
- 4.2.1 Online publication of the Orders via the Council's Traffic Orders webpage;
 - 4.2.2 Advertisement in the Scotsman;
 - 4.2.3 Notification to key stakeholders via email as per statutory requirements including local Councillors, Community Councils and emergency services.
 - 4.2.4 Three hundred ninety-seven information posters installed in the streets where the changes were proposed.
 - 4.2.5 The Communal Bin Review (CBR) project section within the Council's website was updated with links to the drawings showing the bin hub proposals, information on how to access the TRO drawings and instructions on how to submit comments. Links to the drawings with the proposed bin hubs can be found on Appendix 7.
- 4.3 TRO/21/16 was advertised with changes that would allow the implementation of 163 bin hubs. At the end of this formal consultation period, the Council had received 73 responses related to this TRO: 67 objections, 3 support responses and 3 general comments. Five additional comments were received outside the consultation period.
- 4.4 Appendix 1 identifies the issues raised by objectors related to the TRO measures proposed by TRO/21/16, with responses and recommended actions.
- 4.5 TRO/21/25 was advertised with changes that would allow the implementation of 242 bin hubs. At the end of this formal consultation period, the Council had received 35 responses related to this TRO: 32 objections and 3 general comments. Three additional comments were received outside the consultation period
- 4.6 Appendix 2 identifies the issues raised by objectors related to the TRO measures proposed by TRO/21/25, with responses and recommended actions.
- 4.7 The majority of objections and comments were from individuals. One objection was received from a business owner and one comment was submitted by the New Town and Broughton Community Council, making a number of suggestions and queries about 11 of the bin hubs proposed within zone CPZ N1.
- 4.8 It is important to note that many of the comments and concerns raised in responses are not TRO matters. For example, there were responses in relation to noise and air pollution, overflowing containers or aesthetics of the bin hubs between others. As such, these comments and concerns are not material to the TRO process and Committee are not required to take account of them in taking a decision on the making of the Orders.
- 4.9 Notwithstanding that, and in the interests of completeness, these non-TRO issues have also been logged in Appendix 4 along with a response on how the team is managing those concerns at a project level.
- 4.10 Some of the correspondents have also made suggestions, which again are not material to the making of the Orders. In the interests of completeness these have been captured along with the objections and summarised in Appendices 1 and 2.

4.11 The changes proposed would introduce parking and loading restrictions where the bin hubs would be located to ensure there is enough space for the upgraded service and to allow for enforcement of the rest of parking restrictions present.

4.12 Below is a summary of the main three themes raised by objectors:

Loss of Parking

4.13 The majority of objections raised concerns over the loss of parking. These highlighted the impact on residents not being able to utilise removal vans etc. or park outside their properties with problems for access to those with mobility issues. The only business that submitted a response also expressed concerns about the loss of parking and the potential impact to their company and customers.

4.14 Due to the nature of the project requiring changes to the current parking and loading restrictions within the CPZ areas to deliver the new bin hubs, it is not possible to avoid loss or movement of parking spaces due to the number of locations being changed and implemented. However, on those streets where bin hubs are not proposed on historic bin locations, these spaces will be transformed into parking bays as soon as the new hubs are implemented. The concerns raised have been summarised on Appendices 1 and 2 and have been considered individually on a site-by-site basis.

4.15 The Project team acknowledges that on sites N1-56 (Brunswick Street) and N2-01 (Inverleith Avenue) there are alternative locations where the net loss of parking could be reduced by siting the hubs on alternative locations without compromising the criteria and parameters. In the case of N1-56 a new TRO would need to be advertised. Site N2-01 was mistakenly advertised and it is not part of a CPZ and therefore does not require an additional TRO to be implemented. Further engagement with the residents will be carried out to progress an alternative location in Inverleith Avenue.

4.16 It is therefore recommended that objectors that cite the loss of parking as the grounds of their objections are set aside apart from those for sites N1-56 and N2-01 as detailed in Appendices 1 and 2.

Road safety concerns

4.17 Some objections mentioned road safety concerns related to reducing visibility for all road and pavement users, stopping flow of traffic, reducing the space for turning traffic or eliminating crossing points for pedestrians. These concerns have been summarised in Appendices 1 and 2 and have been considered individually on a site-by-site basis.

4.18 The Project team acknowledges that on sites N1-26 (Broughton Road), N1-61 (Montgomery Street), S1-10 (Marchmont Road), S2-09 (Morningside Road) and S3-20 (Merchiston Crescent) these concerns are founded.

4.19 It is therefore recommended that objectors that cite road safety concerns as the grounds of their objections are set aside apart from those for sites N1-26, N1-61, S1-10, S2-09 and S3-20 as detailed in Appendices 1, 2 and 3.

Non-TRO issues

- 4.20 Many residents raised non-TRO issues as their grounds for their objection. The Project team has considered each issue and has logged them in Appendix 4 along with a response on how these are being managed at a project level.
- 4.21 The Project team acknowledges that on site N3-33 (Learmonth Gardens) some of the concerns raised are founded.
- 4.22 As these are non-TRO related issues, it is therefore recommended that objectors that cite non-TRO related issues as the grounds of their objections are set aside.
- 4.23 However, the Project team wishes to revise the location of sites N1-33 (Learmonth Gardens), N3-53 (Learmonth Grove) and N3-48 (Cheyne Street) as detailed in Appendices 1 and 3. It is anticipated that a new TRO will be advertised to full fill the CBR requirements for the bin hubs in these streets which will include engagement with stakeholders and residents.

5. Next Steps

- 5.1 If the recommendations are approved, the team will:
- 5.1.1 Make the order as advertised excluding the following bin hub locations: N1-26 (Broughton Road), N1-56 (Brunswick Street), N1-61 (Montgomery Street), N2-01 (Inverleith Avenue), N3-33 (Learmonth Gardens), N3-48 (Cheyne Street), N3-53 (Learmonth Grove), S1-10 (Marchmont Road), S2-09 (Morningside Road) and S3-20 (Merchiston Crescent).
 - 5.1.2 Advertise a new order with amendments to the aforementioned locations and as detailed in Appendices 1, 2 and 3.
 - 5.1.3 Proceed with the implementation of the bin hubs and associated road works for sites of Phase 3 of the Communal Bin Review (CBR), currently anticipated to start in early 2023.
- 5.2 An update report on the Communal Bin Review project will be provided to Transport and Environment Committee on 6 October 2022.

6. Financial impact

- 6.1 The cost of design and construction work, including the installation and adjustment of signage, as well as road marking alterations associated with the changes proposed by these two Traffic Regulations Orders will be covered by the Communal Bin Review (CBR) budget allocated for road works as approved by the [Finance and Resources Committee on 7 October 2021](#).

7. Stakeholder/Community Impact

- 7.1 Statutory consultation has been carried out as part of the TRO process. The draft order was advertised between 12 November 2021 and 5 December 2021. All interested parties have had the opportunity to make comments and/or objections to the TRO proposals. All consultation data received can be found in Appendix 8.

- 7.2 The principles behind the communal bin review project have been designed after the public consultation which was carried out in 2018 by Changeworks on the Council's behalf. A copy of the report was presented as Appendix 1 within the [Enhancing Communal Bin Collection committee report](#) approved by the Transport and Environment Committee on 9 August 2018.
- 7.3 Where possible the bins are being moved from the pavement onto the carriageway, improving the streetscape and the walking infrastructure, improving safety and making active travel options more attractive and accessible.
- 7.4 Every effort has been made to avoid or mitigate losses to parking spaces. There will be no removal of disabled persons' parking places or dropped crossings as a result of these amendments. On those streets where bin hubs are not proposed on historic bin locations, these spaces will be transformed into parking bays as soon as the new hubs are implemented.
- 7.5 The changes proposed by the TROs will allow the implementation of the improved service changes which are expected to reduce overflowing waste incidences, thereby enhancing street cleanliness, and improving the local environment.
- 7.6 The improved quality of the waste services will contribute towards reducing the amount of waste to energy recovery, increasing the rates of recycling and improving the quality of Edinburgh's local environment. In addition, increasing the amount of waste recycled supports the delivery of the Council's carbon reduction target.
- 7.7 An [Integrated Impact Assessment \(IIA\)](#) has been carried out and reviewed throughout the project. The IIA identifies a majority of positive impacts for people with protected characteristics and proposes mitigation measures for the negative impacts identified.

8. Background reading/external references

- 8.1 [Enhancing Communal Bin Collections - Item 7.7](#) Transport and Environment Committee of 7th December 2017
- 8.2 [Enhancing Communal Bin Collections- Update following trial to implement every other day collections - Item 7.11](#) Transport and Environment Committee of 9 August 2018
- 8.3 [Communal Bin Enhancement Update](#) Transport and Environment Committee of 20 June 2019
- 8.4 [Communal Bin Enhancement Update](#) Transport and Environment Committee of 27 February 2020
- 8.5 [Communal Bin Enhancement Update – Business Bulletin](#) Transport and Environment Committee of 20 November 2020
- 8.6 [Communal Bin enhancement Update](#) Transport and Environment Committee of 22 April 2021.

- 8.7 [Contract Award Recommendation Report – Supply and Installation of Corraling for Bin Hubs and Associated Road Works](#) – Finance and Resources Committee of 7 October 2021.
- 8.8 [Communal Bin Project update - Business Bulletin](#) Transport and Environment Committee of 7 January 2022

9. Appendices

- 9.1 Appendix 1 - A schedule of the main issues raised by objectors against TRO/21/16, with responses and recommended actions
- 9.2 Appendix 2 - A schedule of the main issues raised by objectors against TRO/21/25, with responses and recommended actions
- 9.3 Appendix 3 – A schedule of other changes that are proposed to both TROs.
- 9.4 Appendix 4 – A schedule of all other issues raised by objectors, with responses and recommended actions
- 9.5 Appendix 5 – Controlled Parking Zones where changes are being proposed
- 9.6 Appendix 6 – Advertised Traffic Regulation Order drawings
- 9.7 Appendix 7 – Proposed Bin Hub Locations
- 9.8 Appendix 8 – Consultation Data

Appendix 1 – Objections to Traffic Regulation Order TRO/21/16

ISSUE	SUGGESTIONS	RESPONSE TO OBJECTION	RESPONSE TO SUGGESTION(S)	ACTION
BIN HUB N1-04 – McDonald Road			1 OBJECTION	
Objection to this hub on the grounds of loss of parking; also, on the grounds of road safety due to the hub being proposed close to a traffic calming measure and delays to traffic flow during collection.	<p>1. Move the location to Dryden Terrace, by the side of the fire station or at the end of the street.</p> <p>2. Move the location across the road, near the trees.</p> <p>3. Move the location onto the existing extended pavements.</p>	<p>Net loss of parking cannot be avoided in certain locations. It is anticipated that in some streets there is a net gain due to old bin space being transformed into parking spaces.</p> <p>The hub takes the same space as vehicle parked therefore it will not worsen the visibility.</p> <p>Due to all the traffic calming measures on the street it is not possible to avoid obstruction to traffic during collection.</p>	<p>The suggestions would not meet the following criteria:</p> <p>1. Same side of the road as the properties served and in front of properties with a different service.</p> <p>2. Same side of the road as the properties served</p> <p>3. Bins are being moved from the pavement to the carriageway.</p>	It is recommended that no further action be taken as a result of this objection and that the Order be made as advertised.
BIN HUB N1-11 – Annandale Street			1 OBJECTION	
Objection to this hub on the grounds of road safety due to the hub being proposed close to a temporary traffic lights and stationary vehicles.	Move the location further away from the junction with Leith Walk.	The hub does not pose any road safety risks as users will access it from the pavement and traffic flow will not be affected.	Moving the hub within the parameters would increase walking distance for some of the properties allocated to this hub.	It is recommended that no further action be taken as a result of this objection and that the Order be made as advertised.

BIN HUB N1-15 – Bellevue Road			5 OBJECTIONS	
Objection to this hub on the grounds of loss of parking; also, on the grounds of traffic hazard (no specific reason).	<p>1. Move the location to the far west side of Green Street or Annandale St West.</p> <p>2. Move the location in front of the corner shop on the pavement.</p> <p>4. Move the location 10/15 metres up or down the street so that one building is not continually prejudiced and others share the burden.</p>	<p>Net loss of parking cannot be avoided in certain locations. It is anticipated that in some streets there is a net gain due to old bin space being transformed into parking spaces.</p> <p>The hub does not pose any road safety risks as users will access it from the pavement and traffic flow will not be affected.</p>	<p>1. and 3. Would be beyond the 50/60m walking distance for the properties allocated to this hub.</p> <p>2. Bins are being moved from the pavement to the carriageway. The hub needs to be on the same side of the road as the properties served.</p> <p>3. There is permanent corralling associated with the hub and therefore moving the location regularly is not possible.</p>	It is recommended that no further action be taken as a result of these objections and that the Order be made as advertised.
BIN HUB N1-16 – Bellevue Road			2 OBJECTIONS	
Objection to this hub on the grounds of loss of parking.	N/A	<p>Net loss of parking cannot be avoided in certain locations. It is anticipated that in some streets there is a net gain due to old bin space being transformed into parking spaces.</p>	N/A	It is recommended that no further action be taken as a result of these objections and that the Order be made as advertised.

BIN HUB N1-56 - Brunswick Street			1 OBJECTION	
Objection to this hub on the grounds of loss of parking.	Move the hub nearer to the kerb, in a space that is currently redundant.	The Project team agrees that the proposed location reduces parking spaces unnecessarily and that there is a nearby alternative location that meets the approved parameters where this could be avoided.	This suggestion is sensible as moving the hub here would reduce the parking loss and still comply with the criteria.	It is recommended that this hub is not progressed as advertised and a new order considers this proposed location.
BIN HUB N1-61 - Montgomery Street			8 OBJECTIONS	
Objection to this hub on the grounds of road safety due to the hub blocking the view for vehicles exiting the lane and pedestrians crossing it, access to the drain gully, removing a loading and passing space often used by emergency vehicles and deliveries.	Move the location to the wide pavements in the area or expand the historic location at the corner between Montgomery Street and Hillside Street.	<p>The presence of parking and loading restrictions on the area show that these were introduced to improve visibility for all road and pavement users and therefore the road safety points raised are sensible.</p> <p>The drain gully would still be accessible as bins can be wheeled in and out as required.</p>	The suggestions propose using pavement space which goes against the criteria approved.	It is recommended that this hub is not progressed as advertised and a new order is progressed taking up the nearest parking space to the west.

BIN HUB N1-62 - Montgomery Street			1 OBJECTION	
Objection to this hub on the grounds of loss of parking.	Move the location to the wide pavements where bins have historically been located.	Net loss of parking cannot be avoided in certain locations. It is anticipated that in some streets there is a net gain due to old bin space being transformed into parking spaces.	The suggestion proposes using pavement space which goes against the criteria approved.	It is recommended that no further action be taken as a result of this objection and that the Order be made as advertised.
BIN HUB N1-91 - Brunton Terrace			1 OBJECTION	
Objection does not relate to TRO matters.	Move the location to the pavements where bins have historically been located.	See Appendix 4.	The suggestion proposes using pavement space which goes against the criteria approved.	It is recommended that no further action be taken as a result of this objection and that the Order be made as advertised.
BIN HUB N1-100 Windsor Street			1 OBJECTION	
Objection does not relate to TRO matters.	Move the location away from this corner to a less obvious area.	See Appendix 4.	The suggestion would require increasing the walking distance which goes against the approved criteria.	It is recommended that no further action be taken as a result of this objection and that the Order be made as advertised.

BIN HUB N2-01 Inverleith Avenue

10 OBJECTIONS

Objection to this hub on the grounds of loss of parking; also on the grounds of road safety due to the hub potentially exacerbating illegal parking on double yellow lines around the entrance and encroaching the road space.

- 1. Lock access to glass bin.
- 2. Use the existing bin space.
- 3. Move the location further north towards Ferry Road/Inverleith Gardens.

The delivery team agrees that the proposed location reduces parking space and that there is a nearby alternative location that meets the approved parameters where this could be avoided.

The hub is required to be away from busy junctions to avoid causing road safety risks. Parking practices described are illegal under the restrictions in place and are matter of enforcement.

It is worth clarifying that this site was mistakenly advertised as part of this TRO when this site does not fall within any current Controlled Parking Zone.

- 1. This system would be quite impractical to manage at a local level with individual keys for each resident.
- 2. The new hub requires more space and the historic location could not accommodate the new standard bin hub facilities.
- 3. Moving it further to the north would not comply with our road safety parameters.

It is recommended that this hub is not progressed as advertised and further engagement with residents is carried out proposing an alternative location that meets the approved parameters and criteria and minimises parking space loss.

BIN HUBS N3-06 Comely Bank Terrace			4 OBJECTIONS	
Objection to this hub on the grounds of loss of parking; also on the grounds of access and road safety due to the hub potentially restricting access to delivery/collection lorries and taxi pick ups and drop offs.	Move location to historic locations on Comely Bank Avenue and Comely Bank Street.	<p>Net loss of parking cannot be avoided in certain locations. It is anticipated that in some streets there is a net gain due to old bin space being transformed into parking spaces.</p> <p>The hub is proposed on current parking bays and therefore would not affect lorry and/or taxi vehicles access or behaviour.</p>	The suggestions are too far from the properties assigned and would require residents to cross the road.	It is recommended that no further action be taken as a result of these objections and that the Order be made as advertised.
BIN HUBS N3-07 Comely Bank Terrace			4 OBJECTIONS	
Objection to this hub on the grounds of loss of parking; also on the grounds of access and road safety due to the hub potentially restricting access to delivery/collection lorries and taxi pick ups and drop offs.	Move location to historic locations on Comely Bank Avenue and Comely Bank Street.	<p>Net loss of parking cannot be avoided in certain locations. It is anticipated that in some streets there is a net gain due to old bin space being transformed into parking spaces.</p> <p>The hub is proposed on current parking bays and therefore would not affect lorry and/or taxi vehicles access or behaviour.</p>	The suggestions are too far from the properties assigned and would require residents to cross the road.	It is recommended that no further action be taken as a result of these objections and that the Order be made as advertised.

BIN HUB N3-23 Learmonth Avenue			1 OBJECTION	
Objection to this hub on the grounds of loss of parking.	N/A	Net loss of parking cannot be avoided in certain locations. It is anticipated that in some streets there is a net gain due to old bin space being transformed into parking spaces.	N/A	It is recommended that no further action be taken as a result of this objection and that the Order be made as advertised.
BIN HUB N3-24 Learmonth Avenue			1 OBJECTION	
Objection does not relate to TRO matters.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Move hub to the historic location. 2. Move to or beside the wide pavement area. 	See Appendix 4.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The historic location does not comply with the new criteria approved, specifically walking distance. 2. Bin hubs are being moved away from pavements and junctions. 	It is recommended that no further action be taken as a result of this objection and that the Order be made as advertised.
BIN HUB N3-25 Learmonth Avenue			1 OBJECTION	
Objection does not relate to TRO matters.	Move hub to Learmonth Park at the gardens avoiding bins in front of windows and doors.	See Appendix 4.	The suggested location would not meet the approved criteria as it would be too far to walk for some of the properties allocated to this hub.	It is recommended that no further action be taken as a result of this objection and that the Order be made as advertised.

BIN HUB N3-32 Learmonth Gardens

7 OBJECTIONS

Objection to this hub on the grounds of loss of parking and also affecting traffic flow for emergency vehicles during the more frequent waste and recycling collections.

1. Move the location to the historic location.
2. Move the location to Learmonth Place along the hedge.
3. Move the location to Comely Bank Avenue opposite N3-03.
4. Discard this location and use the hub at the top of Learmonth Place (N3-33).

Net loss of parking cannot be avoided in certain locations. It is anticipated that in some streets there is a net gain due to old bin space being transformed into parking spaces.

1. The historic locations do not meet the new criteria.
2. The suggested location would be too far for some of the properties allocated to this hub.
3. The suggested location would require residents to cross the road.
4. This hub would require residents to cross the road and would require additional bins to ensure there is enough capacity.

It is recommended that no further action be taken as a result of these objections and that the Order be made as advertised.

BIN HUB N3-33 Learmonth Gardens

7 OBJECTIONS

Objection to this hub on the grounds of loss of parking; also, on the grounds of the bin hub and associated proposed restrictions not been required for the nearby residents.

- 1. Move the location in front of the block of properties 10 to 19 Learmonth Gardens like N3-32 or at the existing location in front of No 15.
- 2. Move the location near the junction with Learmonth Place.
- 3. Move the to the hub at the top of Learmonth Place against a wall at the side of buildings.

The delivery team agrees that this location is unnecessary at this location and acknowledges that a mistake was made on the advertised proposals.

- 1. This is a sensible suggestion which will be considered.
- 2. This suggestion would be too far for the properties allocated to it.
- 3. N/A (No location under that description was found)

It is recommended that this hub is not progressed as advertised and a new order is progressed proposing the hub at an alternative location in front of the block of properties allocated to it.

ALL N3 BIN HUBS	6 OBJECTIONS
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<p>Objection to this hub on the grounds of loss of parking and also, on the grounds of road safety due to hindering sight lines for pedestrians and drivers.</p>	<p>Do not go ahead with proposals and keep the locations as they are.</p>	<p>Net loss of parking cannot be avoided in certain locations. It is anticipated that in some streets there is a net gain due to old bin space being transformed into parking spaces.</p> <p>Bin hubs have been located following road safety criteria and in many cases improving visibility and accessibility for all road and pavement users.</p> <p>Emergency services were a statutory consultee of this TRO and no objections were submitted from them.</p>	<p>The current locations do not comply with the new approved criteria.</p>	<p>It is recommended that no further action be taken as a result of these objections and that the Order be made as advertised.</p>
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BIN HUB N5-01 Orchard Brae Avenue	1 OBJECTION
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<p>Objection to this hub on the grounds of loss of parking.</p>	<p>Move this location to the parking space between numbers 60 and 70.</p>	<p>Net loss of parking cannot be avoided in certain locations. It is anticipated that in some streets there is a net gain due to old bin space being transformed into parking spaces.</p>	<p>The suggested location would be too far for some of the properties allocated to it.</p>	<p>It is recommended that no further action be taken as a result of this objection and that the Order be made as advertised.</p>
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ALL BIN HUBS PROPOSED AS PART OF THIS TRO

4 OBJECTIONS

<p>Objection to this hub on the grounds of loss of parking; also on the grounds of road safety due to hindering visibility for pedestrians, cyclists and vehicle drivers when located at the end of streets; and also due to hubs encroaching the road at the edge of the carriageway as this space is often used by cyclists.</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Net loss of parking cannot be avoided in certain locations. It is anticipated that in some streets there is a net gain due to old bin space being transformed into parking spaces.</p> <p>Bin hubs have been located following road safety criteria and in many cases improving visibility and accessibility for all road and pavement users.</p> <p>Where possible, bin hubs are being located on parking spaces and therefore do not encroach the carriageway for any road users.</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>It is recommended that no further action be taken as a result of these objections and that the Order be made as advertised.</p>
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Appendix 2 – Objections to Traffic Regulation Order TRO/21/25

ISSUE	SUGGESTIONS	RESPONSE TO OBJECTION	RESPONSE TO SUGGESTION(S)	ACTION
BIN HUB S1-10 Marchmont Road			1 OBJECTION	
Objection to this bin hub on the grounds of road safety due to the hub being located opposite a bus stop stopping traffic during collection and a bus stopping.	Move the location between No 46-50 Marchmont Road.	<p>Whilst the situation described is not desirable, the chances of a bus and a collection truck being in place at the same time are small and the delays to traffic flow acceptable.</p> <p>However, the team has identified that the collection truck would need to stop close to a signalised crossing.</p>	<p>This suggestion would probably still cause the situation described which has been deemed acceptable.</p> <p>However, as the collection truck would need to stop close to the signalised crossing, the hub will be considered further south.</p>	It is recommended that this hub is not progressed as advertised and a new order is progressed proposing the hub at an alternative location further south to avoid the collection truck stopping too close to the signalised crossing.
BIN HUB S1-12 Marchmont Road			1 OBJECTION	
Objection to this bin hub on the grounds of road safety due to the hub being located opposite a bus stop stopping traffic during collection and a bus stopping; and access to a drain gully. lights and stationary vehicles.	Move the location further north to No 76-78-80 Marchmont Road.	<p>Whilst the situation described is not desirable, the chances of a bus and a collection truck being in place at the same time are small and the delays to traffic flow acceptable.</p> <p>The drain gully would still be accessible as bins can be wheeled in and out as required.</p>	Whilst this suggestion could be accommodated it is unlikely to avoid the situation described which has been deemed acceptable.	It is recommended that no further action be taken as a result of this objection and that the Order be made as advertised.

BIN HUB S1-15 Marchmont Road			1 OBJECTION	
Objection to this bin hub on the grounds of road safety due to the hub being located beside an uncontrolled pedestrian crossing with dropped kerbs and impeding visibility.	Move the location further north to No 111-113 Marchmont Road.	The bin hub is proposed where there is currently a bin and parking and therefore the proposed changes will not alter current visibility. During collection, pedestrians should cross when/if it is safe to do so.	Whilst this suggestion could be accommodated it would segment parking bays requiring additional signage and poles which would go against our criteria to reduce pavement clutter.	It is recommended that no further action be taken as a result of this objection and that the Order be made as advertised.
BIN HUB S1-21 Spottiswoode Street			1 OBJECTION	
Objection to this hub on the grounds of loss of parking.	Move the location to the south end of the street before the corners reducing the length of double yellow lines.	Net loss of parking cannot be avoided in certain locations. It is anticipated that in some streets there is a net gain due to old bin space being transformed into parking spaces.	The suggestion would not meet the criteria approved as it would be too far for some of the properties allocated to this hub.	It is recommended that no further action be taken as a result of this objection and that the Order be made as advertised.
BIN HUB S1-22 Spottiswoode Street			1 OBJECTION	
Objection to this hub on the grounds of loss of parking.	Move the location to the south end of the street before the corners reducing the length of double yellow lines.	Net loss of parking cannot be avoided in certain locations. It is anticipated that in some streets there is a net gain due to old bin space being transformed into parking spaces.	The suggestion would not meet the criteria approved as it would be too far for some of the properties allocated to this hub.	It is recommended that no further action be taken as a result of this objection and that the Order be made as advertised.

BIN HUB S2-09 Morningside Road			3 OBJECTIONS	
<p>Objection to this hub on the grounds of loss of parking; also on the grounds of road safety due to the hub being located on parking bays that do not operate 24 hours therefore becoming an obstacle during the peak hours, especially for bike users who will be forced off the side of the carriageway travelling up hill.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Move the location to Spring Valley gardens. 2. Move the location outside Morningside Library. 	<p>Net loss of parking cannot be avoided in certain locations. It is anticipated that in some streets there is a net gain due to old bin space being transformed into parking spaces.</p> <p>However, the delivery team agrees that the location may pose road safety risks as raised by the objections.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. This suggestion would not comply with the approved criteria as it would require residents walking too far. 2. This suggestion would be on the pavement therefore not complying with the new approved criteria. 	<p>It is recommended that this hub is not progressed as advertised and a new order is progressed proposing and alternative location or locations that do not compromise road safety.</p>
BIN HUB S2-31 Greenhill Terrace			8 OBJECTIONS	
<p>Objection to this hub on the grounds of loss of parking.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Move the location to Whitehouse Loan opposite the football pitch. 2. Move the location further along the street. 3. Move the location to the other side of the road. 	<p>Net loss of parking cannot be avoided in certain locations. It is anticipated that in some streets there is a net gain due to old bin space being transformed into parking spaces.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. This suggestion would be too far and require residents crossing the road. 2. This suggestion would increase the walking distance to some of the residents. 3. This suggestion would require residents crossing the road. 	<p>It is recommended that no further action be taken as a result of these objections and that the Order be made as advertised.</p>

BIN HUB S2-47 Whitehouse Loan			1 OBJECTION	
Objection does not relate to TRO matters.	<p>1. Move the location to the corner between Thirlestane Road and Whitehouse Loan.</p> <p>2. Move the location to the corner between Bruntsfield Crescent and Whitehouse Loan.</p>	See Appendix 4.	Both suggestions would not meet the criteria approved as they would be too far for some of the properties allocated to this hub and would require residents crossing the road.	It is recommended that no further action be taken as a result of this objection and that the Order be made as advertised.
BIN HUB S3-15 Mardale Crescent			9 OBJECTIONS	
Objection to this hub on the grounds of loss of parking; also on the grounds of road safety due to the hub being located on a blind corner, beside a bike storage unit and a busy car park; also due to increased risk to pedestrians crossing at this location by reducing visibility and due to traffic being blocked during collection. Objection to this bin hub also on grounds of accessibility of emergency and large vehicles as well as access to front doors.	Location not required as there is a recycling hub on the nearby university grounds.	<p>Net loss of parking cannot be avoided in certain locations. It is anticipated that in some streets there is a net gain due to old bin space being transformed into parking spaces. The reduced visibility is due to illegal parking practices which are a matter of parking enforcement. There are no recorded personal injury accidents over the last 3-year period available. Due to the parking provision on both sides of the street, traffic will always be blocked during collection regardless of where the hub is located.</p>	The location, whilst publicly accessible, does not comply with our parameters as it is too far and requires residents crossing the road.	It is recommended that no further action be taken as a result of these objections and that the Order be made as advertised.

		<p>This is deemed acceptable given the time it takes to collect the bins. There are no pedestrian crossing facilities at this location and therefore the proposed changes will not present a risk for crossing pedestrians.</p> <p>The hub will not affect the access to any front doors as it will be located on road space and not on pavement.</p>		
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BIN HUB S3-20 Merchiston Crescent	2 OBJECTIONS
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<p>Objection to this bin hub on the grounds of road safety due to the hub being located on an area used for turning traffic, and due to reducing visibility on the crossing point.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Discard this location and use the recycling facilities in the nearby university grounds. 2. Move the location across the road and to the parking spaces at the top of Spylaw Road. 3. Move it further round Merchiston Crescent on the side of the road opposite the flats. 	<p>The delivery team agrees that the location may pose road safety risks as raised by the objections.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. and 2. Suggestion would be too far and require residents crossing the road. 3. This suggestion would be too far from some of the properties allocated to this hub. 	<p>It is recommended that this hub is not progressed as advertised and a new order is progressed proposing and alternative location within parking bays to eliminate the road safety concerns.</p>
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BIN HUB S4-52 Gibson Terrace

2 OBJECTIONS

Objection to this hub on the grounds of loss of parking due to accessibility to the nearest private building entrance; also, on the grounds of emergency services access, disability access, restricted pavement access under 2m and traffic turning options. Objection to this hub also on the grounds of road safety due to the hub being within 10m of a junction.

1. Move it away from the main entrance.

Net loss of parking cannot be avoided in certain locations. It is anticipated that in some streets there is a net gain due to old bin space being transformed into parking spaces. The hub is located on road space and therefore will not condition current pavement widths or access to any private property. It is also on current parking spaces and therefore will not condition the way the nearby junction works or any traffic turning practices. No Disabled Bays are being altered as part of the proposals therefore there is no effect on disability access. Emergency services are a statutory consultee, and no comments or objections were received as part of the consultation process.

1. Whilst the location could be moved away from the main entrance, due to its length it is likely to still be nearby other entrances and/or windows to private properties.

It is recommended that no further action be taken as a result of these objections and that the Order be made as advertised.

ALL BIN HUBS PROPOSED AS PART OF THIS TRO

2 OBJECTIONS

<p>Objection to all bin hubs on the grounds of loss of parking; also, on the grounds of road safety due to most of the hubs being close to junctions affecting visibility for all road and pavement users.</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Net loss of parking cannot be avoided in certain locations. It is anticipated that in some streets there is a net gain due to old bin space being transformed into parking spaces.</p> <p>Bin hubs have been located following road safety criteria and in many cases improving visibility and accessibility for all road and pavement users.</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>It is recommended that no further action be taken as a result of these objections and that the Order be made as advertised.</p>
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Appendix 3 –Other changes that are proposed to both TROs.

ISSUE	ACTION
BIN HUB N1-26 – Broughton Road	
Upon further review of the proposals and feedback received through during the consultation, the location is considered too close to the traffic lights and junction.	It is recommended that this hub is not progressed as advertised and a new order is progressed proposing the hub at an alternative location further to the Northeast within the parking spaces away from the traffic lights and junction.
BIN HUB N3-48 – Cheyne Street	
Upon further review of the proposals, the location does not comply with the new approved criteria.	It is recommended that this hub is not progressed as advertised and a new order is progressed proposing the hub at a location where the new approved parameters and criteria are met.
BIN HUB N3-53 – Learmonth Grove	
Given the proposed changes to bin hub N3-33, this location will not be necessary.	It is recommended that this hub is not progressed as advertised.

Appendix 4 – Issues not related to the Traffic Regulation Orders

A schedule of all other issues raised by objectors with responses from the project team.

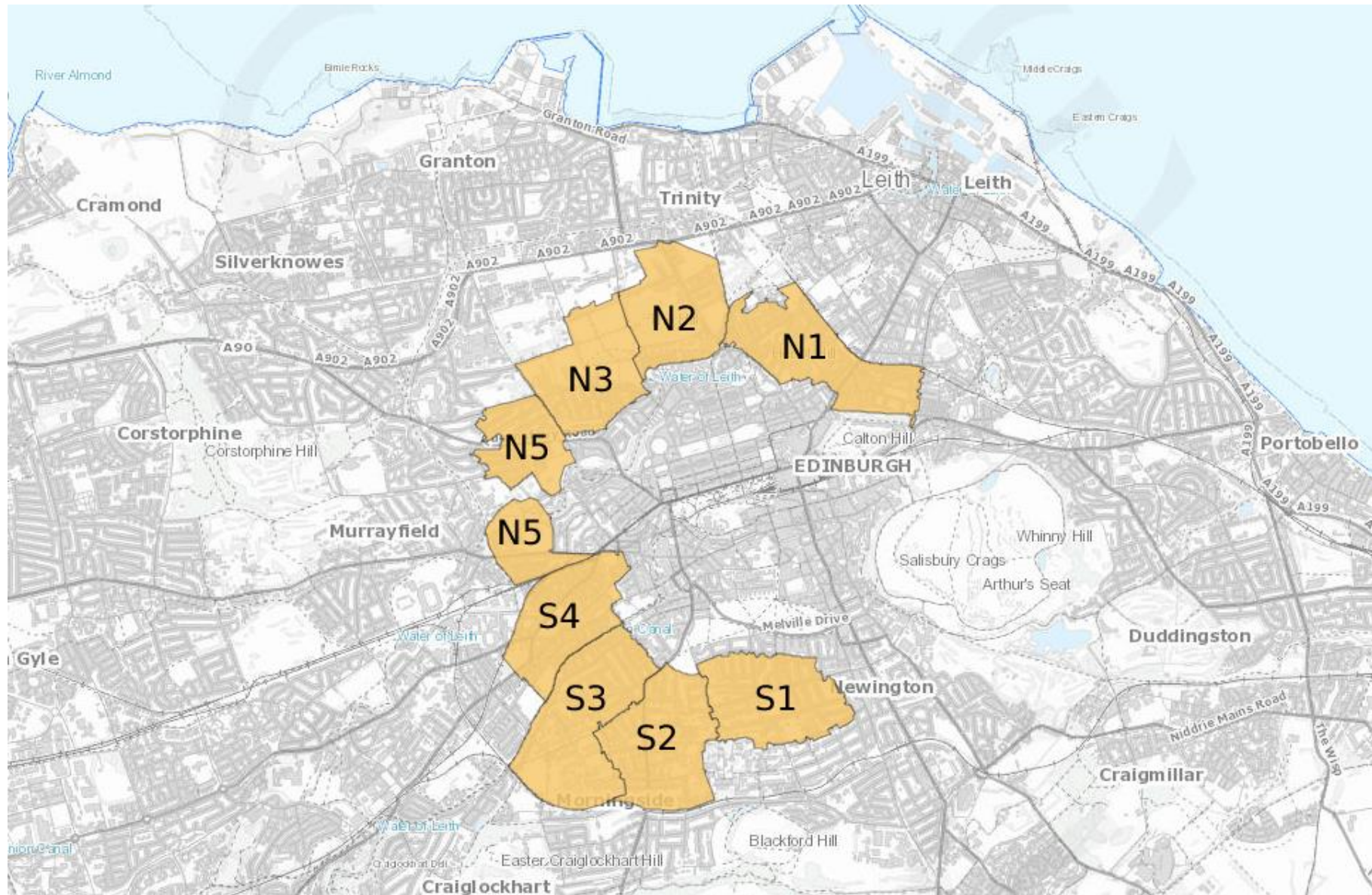
The issues have been ordered by volume of objections including the comments received beyond the closing date. For reference a total of 99 objections and 8 comments (objections beyond the closing date) were received against both Traffic Regulation Orders.

ISSUE	RESPONSE	OBJECTIONS THAT MENTIONED THE ISSUE
Bin hubs will cause noise pollution.	Glass recycling has historically been concentrated on only a few locations. With the project, glass recycling will be available at every location therefore spreading the previously concentrated noise. Collection frequency will be adjusted to reduce the impact on residents as it is expected that these containers will take longer to fill up due to the new spread.	49 out of 107
Loss of parking space.	Every effort has been made to reduce the loss of parking spaces as part of the delivery of this project. However, there are hubs which have been moved from pavements to the carriageway which may mean that some parking loss is unavoidable. To mitigate the impact on parking space, on those streets where bin hubs are not proposed on historic bin locations, these spaces will be transformed into parking bays as soon as the new hubs are implemented.	45 out of 107
Bin hubs will attract fly-tipping and litter (including overflowing containers).	Fly-tipping is a nation-wide issue. There are some residents who do not dispose of their waste responsibly and fly-tipping can occur across the city, but this is not limited to communal bin areas. Information on how to dispose of bulky household goods is included in the communication materials circulated with the roll out of the new bin hubs. The Council regularly runs campaigns to promote the services available to residents to dispose of their bulky goods via special uplifts and the Household Waste Recycling Centres and how residents can report any incidents of fly-tipping and littering through the City of Edinburgh Council website. Through the communal bin review project the frequency of collection for non-recyclable waste and mixed recycling bins will increase to every other day collection which should address any issues of overflowing bins. This is a significant improvement over the current frequency. Furthermore, by providing more recycling facilities we expect there will be less recycling materials put in the non-recyclable waste bins.	41 out of 107

Residents have not been consulted on the proposals.	The Traffic Regulation Order process requires a statutory public consultation which includes notification to key stakeholders. Residents were informed of the changes with 397 posters installed on the interested streets with information about the proposals and how to comment on them. The Communal Bin Review section of the City of Edinburgh Council's website was also updated with the plans and instructions on how to comment on them. Residents can register online to receive notification on consultations happening in their areas.	30 out of 107
There is no need for additional bins.	On the approved Committee paper from 27 February 2020 it was explained that the current waste collection service does not meet national legislation due to the lack of recycling containers available to residents. The Communal Bin Review project is trying to address this gap by upgrading the service which therefore requires additional containers in many of the city's streets.	24 out of 107
Bin hubs will cause air pollution (including odours).	The non-recyclable waste and mixed recycling bins will see an increased frequency of collection to every other day reducing the time the waste is present in the container. The food bin is hosted within a metal container which should reduce the likelihood of odours coming out the bin.	23 out of 107
Bin hubs will attract or exacerbate pests/vermin issues.	The increased frequency of collection, newer containers and metal bin food housing should mitigate the risk of pest and vermin issues. Residents can raise cases of pests with the City of Edinburgh Council through the website which will send a team to investigate.	21 out of 107
Bin hubs are aesthetically displeasing.	On the approved Committee paper from 27 February 2020 different options to manage and collect waste and recycling materials were appraised. On-street containers was the option chosen forward. These are utilitarian products designed to host waste and recycling materials. As part of the changes, all containers will be replaced with new or refurbished ones and the collection crews will be trained to keep the hubs tidy after collection and report any incidents of littering or fly-tipping.	16 out of 107

Bin hubs will add street clutter to the city.	Most bin hubs are being located on parking spaces and therefore will not have an effect on pavement clutter which the Council has policies to minimise. On rare locations where there is no on-road alternative, bin hubs are proposed on pavements and their impact is always minimised.	13 out of 107
Effect on the value of nearby properties and use of private premises (including gardens and nearby rooms).	The waste and recycling service is statutory and the Council has a duty to provide it for all residents. Bin hubs are located on the public realm and not on private land following the parameters approved by Transport and Environment Committee trying to reduce their number to minimise their impact.	10 out of 107
Bin hubs will attract illegal activities (including substance abuse, graffiti).	Most bin hubs are being located on parking spaces and therefore will not have an effect on creating shelter for illegal activities. These are a matter for Police Scotland. Residents can report incidents on the non-emergency number 101.	8 out of 107
Bin hubs will narrow pavements when in use.	<p>Where possible, containers are being moved from pavements onto the carriageway. This is being achieved in the majority of locations proposed. Therefore, the proposed changes not only will not affect the already available pavement width present, but also, in some locations they will improve the pavement space available for all users. When in use, the space available will be reduced in a similar manner as when different parties cross the same space of public realm at the same time which is quite frequent.</p> <p>The Council has policies and projects in place to give back road space to pavement users as part of their Active Travel programme.</p>	6 out of 107

Appendix 5 –Controlled Parking Zones where changes are being proposed



Appendix 6 – Advertised Traffic Regulation Order drawings

All Traffic Regulation Order tiles advertised for each of the Controlled Parking Zones can be found on the following links:

- [N1](#)
- [N2](#)
- [N3](#)
- [N5](#)
- [S1](#)
- [S2](#)
- [S3](#)
- [S4](#)

Appendix 7 – Proposed Bin Hub Locations

All bin hub proposals for each of the Controlled Parking Zones can be found on the following links:

- [N1](#)
- [N2](#)
- [N3](#)
- [N5](#)
- [S1](#)
- [S2](#)
- [S3](#)
- [S4](#)

Appendix 8

OBJECTION	LOCATION
<p>I have just been alerted to the above proposal by a neighbour. Having now viewed the proposed location of the communal bin, on McDonald road, specifically the group of bins located outside 81/83/85 McDonald Road, I wish to lodge my objection, on the following grounds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Location is detrimental to our family's health and well-being. Current proposals intend to house 6 bins directly outside our property. I have absolutely no desire to live beside a bin! It's depressing. •Loss of vital Parking Spaces •Parking is already extremely difficult on McDonald Road. New flats have already gone up in recent times, increasing the pressure on existing spaces. Residents, already struggling, will be unable to park on McDonald Road. •Location is dangerous as it is directly next to a traffic calming measure •The proposed location will impair visibility for drivers trying to park/drive off. It will also block pedestrian's view of on-coming traffic, when attempting to cross. This is even more dangerous when one considers the number of young children in the area, walking to/from schools or going to play in the park. •Having a stationary bin lorry at this particular point, will also block the flow of traffic, causing unnecessary delays. •Increase in noise and air pollution. •Having bins directly outside our flat, will undoubtedly increase noise, through the filling up by residents and the emptying by the contractors. •Bins currently placed on our road, often stink! This will surely be both exacerbated and concentrated to the area directly outside my gate and into our home. That is not acceptable on any level! <p>I understand that consultations have taken place, yet myself and our neighbours haven't directly received any correspondence/notification of these proposals. I did, by chance, see a sign on a random lamp post but the website did not contain bin locations at that time. I fail to see how relying on people to gawp at passing lamp posts can be seen as information sharing. On a personal note, I have lived in this locale for 52 years. I'm devastated to now think that it's no longer a place in which I wish to live or raise my family. Do I want a raft of bins outside my gate...No, I do not. Would you?</p> <p>PLEASE consider the above objections. Where people live and the environment we create, has a massive impact on every aspect of our daily lives. Don't make it a miserable place to be. Possible solutions could include: Moving the location to Dryden Terrace, by the side of the fire station or at the end of the street. Moving the location across the road, near the trees(which might help to camouflage the bins, making them less conspicuous). Moving them onto the existing extended pavements, which don't really add to a pedestrian's experience</p>	<p>N1-04 - McDonald Road</p>
<p>We would firstly like to state our objection to the use of the term 'consultation'. Edinburgh Council is not conducting a consultation with us as residents on its' proposed communal bin review, as the use of TROs means that we as residents cannot voice our concerns about the issues that we care deeply about when it comes to the appearance, design, make up, related noise issues, potential misuse of, or siting of these hubs. Essentially the Council has by-passed any meaningful opportunity to consult with us on this important issue, an issue that affects the day-to-day quality of all of our lives. Yet in deploying TROs, the Council is aware of the fact that residents can only comment on traffic management and road safety issues. Even allowing for the need to curb expenditure and find savings, this is an unfair and unreasonable approach for the Council to adopt. Having attended the recent information event for Broughton residents at St Mary's Church on Bellevue Crescent and asked about the siting of these bin hubs, I was directed to the TROs section of the Council website by the Council employee I spoke to. On checking the website later I found to my dismay that the proposed bin hub is to be placed directly outside our home (N1-11), despite the almost constant build-up of traffic at this point. A second is to be placed diagonally across the street outside no 13 Annandale Street (N1-10). Yesterday morning a bright green poster appeared on a lamppost outside our home (another outside no 13), further confirmation presumably of what is proposed, yet our guess is that most residents will not even be aware of either the proposed TROs or the locations of the bin hubs themselves. Since moving into Annandale Street in March 2020, we have had an ongoing issue to the rear of our ground and lower ground home with vermin under our kitchen floor, and although pest control experts have yet to work out exactly how the vermin are getting in, we are extremely apprehensive about the siting of a bin hub to the front of our property. Any suggestions made by Council employees that these hubs are less obtrusive and better maintained than current arrangements, and will not attract vermin ring hollow as we have taken the time to walk down the prototype Albert Street ourselves. We would not wish to live on the street with the number of bin hubs on it, and although some were in good order, others were clearly magnets for unwanted items that didn't fit into any of the bins. It is an outrage that the Council thinks that these unsightly bin hubs are the answer to the question of waste management in the world heritage city that is Edinburgh. On the issue of traffic management and road safety, our section of Annandale Street has become an increasingly challenging place in which to live. The placing of temporary traffic lights at Annandale Street Lane (and the appearance of a bus stop across the road) mean that from the hours of approximately 4 to 6.30pm daily, we have near constant streams of stationery vehicles waiting outside our home for an exit onto Leith Walk. Traffic is usually backed up as far as East London Street, Hopetoun Crescent and Annandale Street beyond the roundabout near the Mosque. Presumably the plan is to place traffic lights at the top of Annandale Street/Leith Walk once the tram works are complete, but this will still mean that we have traffic backed down our street as we do currently, in order to give priority to the trams on Leith Walk. There is clearly therefore a road safety issue because the proposed hub is to be sited where there will inevitably be a regular build-up of traffic and the hub should clearly be placed further away from the junction with Leith Walk. Even at the current time, it is difficult to access all the bins on the relatively safe pavement position where they are now located because of proximity to the traffic. Additionally, there is now a planning application for the demolition and redevelopment of the site at no 16 Annandale Street, immediately next door to the proposed site, which underlines the unsuitability of the chosen position for the waste hub. We would like to finish by formally objecting to the siting of a bin hub immediately outside 18 Annandale Street for the road safety reasons set out above. We intend to write to our local Councillors and the Council Leader to ask that our voices, and those of other residents, be heard.</p>	<p>N1-11 - Annandale Street</p>
<p>My objections are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Firstly, I find it extremely difficult to understand from the public consultation document and the mapping what it is the Council is actually proposing (https://pplengagement-hub.co.uk/en-GB/projects/cbrph3n1 - Please see Tiles 1161, Existing and Proposed). The key and maps on public display show proposed parking layouts. The "Legend Page 1" (please see below) makes no reference to bins. The map which follows covering my home (53 Bellevue Road) shows permit holders parking spaces and double yellow lines, therefore, I assume no bins can be located here. This I welcome as I and my neighbours have endured a communal bin directly outside our property for some time which has been a source of mis use, fly tipping and traffic hazards. I have spoken to many of my neighbours and they are equally confused by the public consultation exercise – is it for us to suggest where the communal bin locations are to go? 2. If it is proposed to put communal bins outside my property, I strongly object. The existing general waste bin is a source of nuisance at present – the noise from bottles and cans etc being dropped into containers would be unacceptable and food waste bins would smell as well as attract vermin etc. 3. Other concerns are an extreme drop in property values, traffic hazards and anti social behaviour, which already exists from school children from the Drummond Community High School. <p>Furthermore, I would like to submit my own suggestions for suitable/ possible locations for communal bin hubs.</p> <p>(a) The far west side of Green Street (please see map below). I propose this area because it is a quiet road (in terms of parking and residency), it has a very wide existing pathway and has natural surveillance from the properties at the end of Bellevue Road and those on Bellevue Road whose back gardens border this road. Moreover, this location is approximately 154 metres from number 53 Bellevue Road. Government Retail Planning Guidelines deem 400 metres to be a reasonable walking distance for shoppers, thus I would suggest that this short distance it perfectly convenient for carrying refuse and recycling.</p> <p>My Proposed location for communal bin hub 1</p> <p>(b) In front of the Bellevue Express corner shop (please see map below). Not only is there an existing glass bottle bin outside this shop already which causes minimal residential disturbance, there is also a lot more unused space available for the extra bins. This, from number 53 Bellevue Road, is a mere 43 metres walk, also a perfectly appropriate distance for residents, according to Government Retail Planning Guidelines as mentioned above. My Proposed location for communal bin hub 2.</p> <p>In conclusion, I would like to strongly object to Edinburgh City Council's proposed communal bin hub plans outside number 53 Bellevue Road.</p>	<p>N1-15 - Bellevue Road</p>

<p>We as residents of Bellevue Road, wish to register a very strong objection to the current proposal to replace the current bin locations on Bellevue Road with communal 'hubs'. We are specifically talking about the hub which is proposed outside Nos 51-53 Bellevue Road, but this also relates to other bin hubs/clusters not only in Bellevue Road, but in general. There is already one large black bin outside No.53, with further facilities along Bellevue Road, Melgund Terrace and Annandale St which cover other aspects of recycling. If these are insufficient for current purposes, to introduce multiple bins in single locations will not only be unsightly but will unfairly prejudice the residents who live directly beside these hubs. There is currently a glass recycling bin on the extended paved area on the corner of Bellevue Road/ Annandale St, which is outside a commercial property. This area currently accommodates one glass recycling and one landfill bin - this area could be utilised more effectively. To move this and any food bins directly outside residential properties, within a short distance of living-rooms and bedrooms will result in unacceptable levels of litter, noise and noxious smells, not to mention the fact that no-one wants to look directly out of their window at garbage bins which will impact on the health and well-being of those directly affected. There is overwhelming evidence by just walking about the city that bin hubs are unsightly, frequently become dumping grounds with litter often left beside already full bins, attracting vermin and food bins attracting many flies. Even if bins are emptied more frequently, the actual bins remain filthy and graffitied and ruin the aesthetic of the city streets. The picture shown on the website (Fig 1.) of new and empty bins is disingenuous as they are shown on a wide New Town street (believed to be Drummond Place) and some distance away from the building. The bins must have been put there for a photoshoot only, as they do not currently exist in this location, whereas Figs.2-5, show the reality, a constant unsightly welcome to Cambridge Avenue and Balfour Street. At the time of taking these photos (25 Nov '21) a passing local resident mentioned that this was the tidiest he had seen Cambridge Avenue hub. Following a visit to one of the consultation meetings, we were told that studies have shown that recycling is more effective where people can take recycling to one location. One-stop recycling may be preferable, however, this is a very subjective issue. For example, if a survey asked residents, "Would you prefer to walk slightly further to recycle some materials, or have 6 recycling bins directly outside your door"? survey results would likely be very different. It is appreciated that this is a very contentious issue with no easy answers, however, although not perfect, the current situation works on an acceptable level which does not excessively burden particular households. If the status quo is not an option, there is an overwhelming sense of frustration and anger that there has been insufficient consultation to consider acceptable alternatives. There are locations nearby which could be further considered to try and mitigate the impact of the current proposals (i.e. Annandale St West, Green St., many parts of which are not overlooked). If there are distance restrictions between recycling facilities, surely there must be room for change if the alternative is a disproportionate impact on specific areas/residents. In these uncertain and stressful times, we would urge the Council to re-consider these proposals which are already causing much anxiety. This e mail is sent with the full support and on behalf of the residents from 51-57 Bellevue Road. Names, addresses and signatures can be supplied on request if required.</p>	<p>N1-15 - Bellevue Road</p>
<p>I stay at No 57 Bellevue Road and we already have two cycle sheds the end of our street. (Which gives the school kids a reason for jumping up and down on them and creating noise). There is also a bottle recycling bin on the opposite corner which even with it being on the opposite corner makes a terrible noise with bottles going in at all times of the day and night and when it gets full there are bottles around the bin. We have already lost two parking places in the street with the cycle sheds going in and do not think we should have to loose any more with recycle hubs going in. If the hubs go in we will be faced with a/ Noise from the bottles. b/possible smell from the food bin. C/overflowing cardboard bins(which happens now at the end of our street. d/ extra noise from the waste bins. Just now we have put up with a large bin outside No 53. Cycle sheds on both corners. Noisy bottle bank on corner and fewer parking places. I have nothing against recycling but Bellevue Road used to be lovely clean quiet place to live and don't see why these bins should be placed outside our houses causing FURTHER noise and pollution to our residents. Do your planners ever come round to see for themselves or even consult with the residents? SO I WOULD LIKE TO OBJECT TO THESE PLANS IN THE MOST STRONGEST POSSIBLE TERMS.</p>	<p>N1-15 - Bellevue Road</p>
<p>I live in 53/7 Bellevue Road and strongly object to the proposal for additional bins to be positioned outside the main door of our building (these are noted as N1-15 on page 9 of the drawings titled 'communal bin review phase 3 - N1' on your website). The additional bins would bring more mess, smell (in the case of the new food waste bin), and noise (from the glass bin). While it is important to have adequate waste disposal on the street, it is not fair to put it outside our building when we have already have to put up with unsanitary bins directly outside for so long. The additional bins will also reduce the number of available parking spaces on the road which are already limited and oversubscribed. If the additional bins are absolutely necessary, there is a large, unused space on the corner of Annandale Street and Bellevue Road which could easily be used for them without disruption, as they would not affect any parking and is in fact where glass bins are already located.</p>	<p>N1-15 - Bellevue Road</p>
<p>I would like to lodge my formal objection to the plan to create a communal bin hub outside number 53 Bellevue Road. My reasons are below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •The current plans remove two resident permit parking spaces on the bottom half of Bellevue Road. There are already not enough spaces for residents, who have to drive and park on neighbouring streets. We lost two spaces earlier this year/end of last year with the addition of two bike sheds (which are ill-used). This will cause more issues for residents who are already under severe parking pressure. •The introduction of multiple bins, including glass bins, will prejudice those flats immediately who have them immediately outside them (with noise and smell). Bringing all the bins together makes that infinitely worse for those poor residents. Glass and other recycling bins are already accessible on the street, so it makes no sense to move them (and the glass recycling is currently outside a commercial rather than residential property, which means noise pollution is less impactful). •Number 53 has already endured having a large general waste bin outside its front door for many years. It is unfair to make that worse and if they must be installed then they should be moved 10/15 metres up or down the street so that one building is not continually prejudiced and others share the burden. I would like to object to these plans in the strongest possible terms. 	<p>N1-15 - Bellevue Road</p>
<p>Thank you for providing the consultation on the Communal Bin Review. My husband and I have read through the information and would like to provide comment and an objection to the placement of one of the proposed bin hubs directly outside my building. We reside at 81 Bellevue Road and I would like to object to the proposed placement of a new bin hub outside 81-85 Bellevue Road, EH7 4DH. As indicated by the proposed area of double yellow lines in the image below:</p> <p>My objections are as follows:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Our front garden and the pavement outside 81-85 already suffers from litter and packaging that is dumped at the two mixed recycling bins in that location. On a daily basis we clean out litter from our own front garden from the current bins and we feel that will get worse if a whole bin hub is located outside. •Communal food bins around the city are very dirty and smelly, and appear to be a public health hazards, and having one directly outside our front door will be detrimental to the look, feel, and desirability of our main door flat and that of our neighbours. •We cannot fathom how the bin hubs will 'improve' the look of the street and neighbourhood, our view is this will have a negative impact. •The bin hubs located on the road will take away valuable parking outside the building at a time when we have already lost around four parking spaces due to the bus diversion for the tram works. •Our bedroom faces onto Bellevue Road and having a series of bins outside including a glass bin will create noise and disruption. We have already been massively disrupted by the redirection of the buses along Bellevue Road. •We believe the proposed plans for this section of Bellevue Road will actually add to the street clutter, and not reduce it as stipulated. •A bin hub outside of our maindoor flat will mean our view from our lounge and bedroom will be a series of bins and we believe this to be hugely undesirable for us and the neighbourhood. <p>We request that the council fairly consult and engage with the residents of Bellevue Road to reach a solution that all parties will be happy with.</p>	<p>N1-16 - Bellevue Road</p>
<p>Thank you for providing the consultation on the Communal Bin Review. I have read through the information and would like to provide comment and an objection to the placement of one of the proposed bin hubs directly outside my building. Specifically, I would like to object to the proposed placement of a new bin hub outside 81-85 Bellevue Road, EH7 4DH. The reasons for objecting to the placement of the bin hub outside my building are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. We currently suffer from litter and items/packaging being dumped at the two mixed recycling bins in that location and I fear that this will worsen with the introduction of a bin hub with more types of bins. 2. Communal food bins around the city are very dirty and smelly, and appear to be a public health hazards, and having one directly outside our front door will be detrimental to the look, feel, and desirability of our building. 3. I believe that the bin hubs will have a negative impact to the look of the street and neighbourhood, and will not "improve" it as is being suggested. 4. The bin hubs located on the road will take away valuable parking outside the building at a time when we have already lost around four parking spaces due to the bus diversion for the tram works. 5. I believe the proposed plans for this section of Bellevue Road will actually add to the street clutter, and not reduce it as stipulated. 	<p>N1-16 - Bellevue Road</p>

<p>I have learnt of your plans to upgrade bin facilities in our area – I have lived in this area for 15 years. Having reviewed the plans, most of the proposed sites seem sensible and inoffensive. The site N1-58 immediately outside of our own block at 67 Brunswick Street seems sensible, despite losing a parking place it will tidy up the current bin area. I don't understand why N1-56 is not located nearer the kerb, in a space that is currently redundant. Surely this needs to be moved, to save a parking space? However, there is one position that feels really misjudged and highly problematic. I strongly and formally object to the proposed location of bin hub N1-61 on Montgomery Street. This proposed hub will adversely affect both the safety and character of our neighbourhood around this area. This proposed hub (N1-61) – positioned outside 72-76 Montgomery Street – will add to an already congested area where there are 3 junctions all very close together. The proposed position is right next to Brunswick Street Lane and will reduce visibility for the vehicles moving in and out of this space. Already there are bollards and very few places where emergency, delivery, taxis or other vehicles can pull in safely to enable drop-offs or to attend to emergencies. Furthermore the proposed bins are positioned over a street drain in an area that is already susceptible to flooding - which will only be exacerbated by the physical bins and any overspilling rubies. Additionally, and importantly, the proposed hub is in an area of the neighbourhood that has a strong communal feel – with a pretty café that draws people together. It is a natural and currently attractive gathering place for the neighbourhood. It would be such a shame to make this more congested by the bins which will negatively impact the visual ambience of this area. I am strongly requesting that you move this proposed bin hub to a different location.</p>	<p>N1-56 - Brunswick Street</p>
<p>This is to lodge my formal objection to the proposed bins at the corner of Montgomery street and Brunswick St Lane. The bases of my objection are: 1/ This section of road is on a drain- we had to have major works done to our drains recently and would appreciate them not being blocked by the bins, or the inevitable overflow. 2/ The location is on a bend in Montgomery street and the wind catches the litter and blows it directly into the gardens at this location. The inevitable overflow will make this particularly noticeable in this location and will impact the general ambience of the area, which in turn instills less local pride in the street. 3/ The view will be blocked for vehicles exiting the lane; this is already a dangerous intersection. 4/ The current space is often used for emergency vehicles, deliveries to the lane and deliveries to Renroc cafe. 5/ <u>The pavement here is narrow, so the bins will be far closer to residents windows than in the current location- on the wide pavement at the corner of Montgomery Street and Hillside Street.</u></p>	<p>N1-61 - Montgomery Street</p>
<p>I have just learnt of your plans to upgrade bin facilities across different parts of Edinburgh. I have reviewed the plans for our neighbourhood. While I am VERY surprised and disappointed at your decision not to inform us in writing of these changes, I was somewhat reassured in my reading of the plans – much of what is proposed seems well thought through and sensible. I appreciate the thought and detail that has gone into determining criteria and parameters, and the transparency in sharing specific plans for each street. I am however utterly dismayed at the proposed positioning of a bin hub N1-61 (your reference), outside 72-74 Montgomery Street. To my mind, this positioning is not well thought through, is problematic on a number of levels and feels misjudged. I am thus writing to advise you of my formal and strong objection to this positioning. It is problematic for a number of reasons – including safety, health and neighbourhood ambience. As outlined below, it's positioning does not align with the criteria and parameters you have outlined on your website (here) and set out in your Committee report approved on 27 February 2020.</p> <p>SAFETY AND HEALTH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •The proposed positioning is adjacent to the entrance of a busy lane (Brunswick Street Lane) – so visibility will be seriously compromised for vehicles entering and leaving this lane. It is already challenging for vehicles to do this safely, and placing the bin hub here will exacerbate this, creating further blocks to visibility •This whole area is already 'dense with junctions', narrow bits of road and bollards on the pavement. In addition to Brunswick Street Lane, there is also West Montgomery Place and Hillside Street close by. There is often the need for traffic to 'ease their way' past each other as various vehicles enter/leave different parts of the junction. •The one thing that really helps, is having the little bit of 'extra' road outside 72-76 Montgomery Street - which provides some breathing space for vehicles to pass and juggle things more easily. It N1-61 was positioned here, we would loose this capacity, and I would anticipate more congestion around this area. •Additionally, because of all these junctions and the bollards etc, there are very few spaces where vehicles can pull in safely to do drop-off/pickups (e.g. It is used by the postal services, delivery drivers, taxis etc) - who are able to service all the buildings along this stretch (72-84 Montgomery Street) which are otherwise inaccessible. It is also frequently used by emergency services attending in the area. •Furthermore, the proposed positioning of N1-61 is over a street drain – which contravenes your criteria and parameters. Flooding is already a problem in the street. Having the bin hub positioned here will only further exacerbate the problem - with the base/wheels creating further blocks/problems to the flow of water, and the potential of 'overspill' rubbish blocking the drains. <p>NEIGHBOURHOOD</p> <p>The owners and residents of our tenement block (72-76 Montgomery Street) take our responsibilities seriously in relation to the safety and upkeep of our block. We are an active community and take great pride in the maintenance and appearance of the building and gardens. We have recently invested huge amounts of energy and VAST sums of money to improve the stonework and roofmaintenance, get a new, attractive front door, repaint our internal stair and entirely re-do our garden areas, including bringing more planting and attention to our front gardens. Given all the work we've done and the investments we continue to make, it would be hugely disappointing to have this bin hub positioned so directly outside our front doors at this very narrow point in the pavement. It will alter the look and feel of our properties, add more noise pollution (with the bottle bank being so close), affecting both the overall financial value, comfort and the ambience of the properties. The proposed hub is also in an area of our neighbourhood that has a really lovely and strong communal feel – this is a rare and wonderful thing and something that is hard to 'make happen' or replicate! There is a lovely little café and the area naturally becomes a gathering place - and feels like a 'pretty and quirky' little corner of the city. It would be a tremendous shame for the bin hub to be positioned at N1-61, directly in view of the café and adding to street congestion in this space - it will undoubtedly negatively impact the visual and collective ambience of this spot. There are definitely other areas where this bin hub could be positioned – including a very wide pavement area (see 78-82 Montgomery) that would allow for ample 2m clearance required by your parameters, as well as enabling the bins to be positioned further from people's front doors. Given all the reasons above, I urge you to reconsider where bin hub N1-61 is positioned. As you will gather, I am very strongly opposed to having the proposed positioning of this bin hub N1-61 and implore you to move it somewhere else.</p>	<p>N1-61 - Montgomery Street</p>

<p>I am writing to formally and very strongly object to the proposed placement of a bin hub on Montgomery Street – specifically N1-61 which will be both directly outside my front door, No.72 Montgomery Street, as well as the adjacent entrance to (tenement) No.74 Montgomery Street. In addition to being a very unsightly and noisy facility (with bottle bank) directly outside and affecting my property, there are a number of other issues that I outline below (see*) where this proposal definitely doesn't meet your own Communal bin enhancement update report parameters and criteria. Ambulances and emergency services currently can park and pull up in front of 72 Montgomery Street. I see emergency vehicles using the location frequently and in the last 6 months this includes police, ambulances and fire engines. It is also used as a passing and temporary pulling in place. It is a sheltered place for vehicles to unload and load, including for emergency services, that cannot park elsewhere in the road which would otherwise cause the road to be blocked. The proposal will undoubtedly cause a lot of rubbish overspill outside my and Number 74's gate in a very constricted location. Rubbish will also undoubtedly collect inside our front gardens and rats and other vermin are also likely to be attracted. This will result in unsanitary and odorous conditions directly outside our front doors, particularly in the summer. The proposed placement directly over a street drain will only compound these problems.</p> <p>On a personal note, I sleep in the front of the house. The noise of people throwing bottles and rubbish will disturb both at night and in the day. I am an emergency Medical Registrar, 60% of my shifts are out of hours or night shift (40%), I will be resting in the day. Furthermore this is an additional and significant stress to myself as a front line and essential worker. I own my downstairs apartment, many of the people in the above tenement (74) are also owners, we do not rent, this proposal will adversely affect us for some considerable time to come! It is undoubtedly an UNFORSEEN and NEW impact on the value of our properties. We at 72 and 74 Montgomery Street have only fortuitously learnt of this proposal via concerned friends. I certainly haven't received any information or notice through the post or otherwise to inform me of the council's plans. I have spoken to a number of my next door neighbours in the above tenement (74 Montgomery Street) and they are all as concerned as me. All people I have spoken to consider they will be adversely affected by the proposal in some way, I know of no-one who supports these plans and yet no one will be as directly affected by them as myself. The current situation works better for the following reasons; the locations where the bins are currently placed are NOT directly outside anyone's door or garden. Yes, they are on the pavement, but the two locations sit on extremely wide pavement areas. These are, firstly on the corner of West Montgomery Place and Montgomery Street and secondly the corner of Hillside Street and Montgomery Street. There is over 10.5 metres and 10 metres respectively from the bins to the nearest front entrance in their two current locations. This is in comparison to 2.35 metres from my front gate and 5.40 metres from my front door and bedroom window. I would suggest a more efficient arrangement of the bins at the current locations would lead to an even better solution.</p> <p>*Based on your criteria: Safety of cars/pedestrians/bikes: - the bins directly outside 72 Montgomery Street will worsen both traffic safety and flow; the road is narrow there already and bins will impede turning cars from West Montgomery Street, particularly as at busy times cars and bikes pull in to wait for other vehicles coming the opposite direction. - there will be no easy, safe place for emergency vehicles to pull up close to the kurb without blocking road near our houses</p> <p>Walking distance: - this will be further than previous for many flats as bin locations will reduce from 3 to 1 and the new location is rather TOO close for 72 and 74 tenements.</p> <p>Neighbourhood sizes and access to bins: - Less bins in one small space will overflow leading to hygiene, aesthetic and access problems.</p> <p>Street clutter: - bin overflow will directly burden the flats and tenements of 72 and 74 Montgomery Street. - front garden of 72 will effectively be useless.</p> <p>A bin hub at N1-61 does not in anyway address the 'background' information contained in Item 3.3 of your Communal bin enhancement update report. The majority of residents in 72 and 74 are not temporary or short-term lets but owners and long-term tenants who dispose of their waste responsibility in the current bin locations.</p> <p>As identified in Item 5:3 of the report, the unique characteristics of the 11 properties comprising 72 and 74 Montgomery Street do not make the proposal suitable.</p>	<p>N1-61 - Montgomery Street</p>
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<p>I am writing with regards to an objection to a bin hub on Montgomery Street (number TRO 21/16). I believe the bin hub to be not only unsightly, but obstructive in nature with regards to Brunswick Street Lane. I believe there are other locations, such as the corner of Montgomery Street and Hillside Street, which would be more suitable.</p>	<p>N1-61 - Montgomery Street</p>

1.safety :

A.Visibility : Our building has a combination of elderly residents and families with young children , who are all more vulnerable when crossing the road . MONTGOMERY st is already difficult to cross, due to the limited visibility created by on coming traffic on both sides of the road and parked cars , and putting the hub in front of the building will limit the visibility even further.

Personally , I am visually impaired and fear this will create further obstacles to my mobility and access to the area in front of my building , to taxis drop off point in front of the building, and to crossing the road safely .

B. Traffic : this corner is already quite tricky with school traffic , lorries and rubbish bins trying to get access to Brunswick st and to and from the lanes .

Blocking part of the road with the Bin Hub will put further pressure on traffic turning and travelling in both directions and will increase risk to pedestrians and increase noise levels and traffic pollution in the area .

2. Health :

A. Noise : the Bin Hub is planned to be placed right outside bedroom windows facing the street , which will suffer from increased noise from glass and bottles disposal , bin lorries and people disposing of their rubbish at all hours .

It would make much more sense to place the bin hubs in street corners where residential buildings are placed further away from the street as the pavement is much wider .

B. Drain : the proposed Bin Hub is to be placed over a drain .

We had suffered in the past from drain problems in our building , and have invested as a resident group in updating and clearing our drains and gutters without any input from the council .

Blocking a major drain on the street level can lead to further blockages in an antiquated drainage system , threaten the clearing of the building drains and may lead to floods and toxic smells and fumes and additional costs to the residents .

3. Community health and well being:

A. Cafe : the local cafe across the road from our building serves as a communal meeting point for our residents, especially during Covid times when we could meet neighbours and friends on the terrace outside the cafe .

It provides a very essential service for our community and the neighbourhood as a whole .

Placing the bins right in front of the cafe will create an eye sore for the cafe costumers , reduce their enjoyment of the hospitality experience , and might have a detrimental effect on the financial viability of the cafe , and the service it provides to the neighbourhood as a whole .

B. Community front Gardens and entrance pathway : as a resident group we had worked jointly on improving our front gardens and the access paths into the building .

We had invested financially and much time and energy to greatly improve the appearance of the front gardens and the entrance area to our building , which also benefited the street as a whole and deterred criminal activity outside the entrance to our building ,all without any help from the council and solely by the joint efforts of the resident group .

The Bin hub threatens to block the light for the planting and to undo the aesthetic improvement we had worked so hard to achieve .

I am therefore strongly objecting to any plans to place the Bin Hub in front of our building which threaten to greatly diminish the quality of life , the health , well being , and safety of our residents and does not meet the parameters and criteria outlined in the community report from Feb 2020.

I am also surprised I had received no formal letter of notification for this plan and for the consultation period and had only discovered by chance of this plan.

This is in contravention of the usual procedure of notification by letter from the council of any application for building permits .

N1-61 - Montgomery Street

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The majority of residents in 72 and 74 are not temporary or short-term lets but owners and long-term tenants who dispose of their waste responsibility in the current bin locations. As identified in Item 5:3 of the report, the unique characteristics of the 11 properties comprising 72 and 74 Montgomery Street do not make the proposal suitable.</p>	<p>N1-61 - Montgomery Street</p>
<p>I am writing to register my strong objection to the proposed siting of the N1-61 communal bin hub. In considering my objection I want to also record that I am supportive of the overall project's aims to improve the city's waste management system including recycling, through (amongst other elements) ensuring safe and convenient access to suitable communal bins, particularly in tenement/high density areas of our city, often with high percentages of transient population and minimal to zero storage space for modern recycling requirements inside the home. I also wish to record that, as a long-term resident of tenement flat 2F3, 74 Montgomery Street, I have broadly welcomed the improvements made over the last 15 years in the Hillside area in this regard. However, under the latest 'enhancement of communal bin' project, the proposed siting of N1-61 outside 72 Montgomery Street is a serious and unnecessary mistake which will significantly reduce local safety and well-being for the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is situated immediately adjacent to the busy Montgomery Street Lane entrance, which will seriously increase the safety hazard issues for pedestrians arising from reduced sight-lines and visibility of vehicles entering and exiting the lane. This hazard already exists and the proposed N1-61 siting would add to the risks, especially considering that the main road is quite narrow, is a relatively busy road with local primary school drop-off and collection traffic congestion point around the crossroads a few metres away, and on top of its being a commonly used vehicle cut through alternative between Leith Walk and Easter Road/London Road (until the recent tram-related closure of the Montgomery St and the Brunswick St junctions with Leith Walk). • It will result in unsafe and unhealthy crowding of the narrow pavement space at this location, with healthy spacing severely hampered by the Montgomery Street lane entrance. The area is a heavily used pedestrian route, not least with small children, parents and pushchairs moving to and from school. Already, people routinely have to give-way and wait for space to pass, and the proposed siting would add to the pedestrian congestion hazard. • It will increase the hazard around localised flooding control, as it proposes siting the bins over an existing street drain-access point. Flooding is a notable issue on Montgomery Street in heavy rainfall, likely only to be worsened by positioning large bins in the dip area of the street, especially since overspill rubbish from the bin area will likely accumulate in the drain area. The management of street flooding already appears very limited on this street, and further covering up drain access points would make the problem even more difficult to manage. In a time of climate change likely to increase rainfall and flood risk, this seems a hazard important to avoid where possible. • The above points together indicate that in this instance, the proposed location of N1-61 do not meet the project's location criteria (including safety, clutter and congestion) specified in the annex to the Council's 2020 Update on this enhancement of communal bin initiative. Indeed, it is entirely and easily possible - at no added cost - to avoid these negative impacts and risks by locating the proposed enhanced bin arrangement at the site of the current communal bins a few metres further along the street where there is a perfectly appropriate and very widely spaced corner pavement area at the corner of Montgomery and Hillside Street. This site has long hosted perfectly well the existing multiple communal bins in a very safe and convenient manner, providing more than ample space for pedestrians to pass with no congestion for either passers by or immediate residents. It is a well-established communal area of the street, hosting communal bins as they have evolved over the last decade, alongside communal bike locking facilities etc. I note that the February Update report calls for flexibility on local placement where appropriate, and in this instance the case for continuing to site communal bins on the current pavement area (of far more than the 2 metre clearance required by the plans) is very strong, and moreover with no disadvantage, due to its long-established presence in the local community architecture. I beg those making decisions on this project to reconsider the proposed siting of N1-61 on the grounds that it does not conform to the project's published criteria, and instead to position them at the existing well-established site for communal bins. 	<p>N1-61 - Montgomery Street</p>

<p>After recently reviewing the plans for the new proposed bin hubs in the Hillside area, I am extremely disappointed and annoyed to see that it would appear one is to be positioned directly in front of our family home -N1 62 on the drawings. Currently the bins tend to overflow which can lead to environmental health problems, there is fly tipping and noisy glass recycling at night. With being in a main door flat (ground level) the proposed hub is in close proximity to our flat/ garden and we would look directly on to these.</p> <p>It is proposed another is to be positioned directly opposite on the other side of the street, it too is also outside another main door.</p> <p>I am at a loss as to why these locations would be chosen given that there are other options, eg the wider than normal corner areas where they currently are? These would surely be more suitable, directly away from any front door but still very easily accessible.</p> <p>On placing them on the roads you are also reducing the diminishing parking spaces in the area which as residents we have to pay for.</p>	<p>N1 62 Montgomery Street</p>
<p>I'm writing in formal objection to the planned placement of the N1-91 bin hub. I support what the council is doing, adding more bins and attempting to place bins on streets rather than pavements. However, knowing my own street I feel that the current location of the communal bins (highlighted on attached picture) is, in this particular local case, better than the proposed change. I also think the plan was developed with sensible criteria, but I believe they are all met by placing N1-91 in the highlighted area the bins currently occupy.</p> <p>Considerations</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The current (highlighted) location of the bins is a pleasant several metres from the surrounding flats, being on the far side of the road to the Brunton Gardens flats, which is pleasant for residents—especially considering the noise pollution associated particularly with glass recycling bins. 2. Regarding the preference for getting bins off of pavements and onto streets, which I generally support, I think this location has some particular features which outweigh this preference. <p>The pavement in the highlighted area (site of current bins and my proposed alternative for N1-91) is particularly wide (several metres), meaning the bins are not at all disruptive to pedestrians and cyclists. Indeed, accessing them is both easier and safer than regular on-street bins.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Additionally, regarding walking distance, I believe no one would be more than 10-15m further from a bin if N1-91 were located in the highlighted area. Everyone would, I think, remain under 50m from a communal bin. <p>For all these reasons, I believe N1-91 would be better placed in the current (highlighted) communal bin location.</p>	<p>N1-91 - Brunton Terrace</p>
<p>Proposed TRO 21/16 plans indicate the removal of 2 bays of residents parking to accommodate the communal bin hub. A clutch of waste collection bins is presently located at this corner: Blue Lid, Green Lid, Food and Landfill. Three are on the road surface and one is on the pavement area.</p> <p>Problem:</p> <p>The present communal bins are used by residents of Windsor Street, Leopold Place (E), Leopold Place (W), Blenheim Place and occasionally Elm Row. Due to the prominent site of the bins, at the corner of a main road junction, they are often used by persons who arrive by car with their waste. The result is that the bins fill up very quickly and waste of various sorts builds up beside the bins. One item left beside a full to overflowing communal bin encourages other people to leave their rubbish there and the waste pile grows quickly. This attracts foxes, rats and seagulls. This has led to a group of local residents regularly clearing waste from the corner; either by breaking up cardboard boxes and taking them to the next nearest appropriate bins (Montgomery Street or Hillside Crescent Gardens), or by carrying bags of landfill waste to other bins in Windsor Street; and often sweeping up spilled debris. This can be a particularly disgusting task.</p> <p>Solution:</p> <p>Siting the Communal Bin Hub away from this corner would discourage indiscriminate dumping as the bins would be far less obvious.</p> <p>Additionally the present clutch of bins do visually detract from the majestic façades of the Grade A Playfair buildings at the Windsor Street junction with London Road - it might be more appropriate if the communal bin hub was sited further along the street, and away from the corner.</p>	<p>N1-100 Windsor Street</p>
<p>While I am realistic as to the chances of any objections being seriously considered, I do also ask that, in respect of the bins which are to be placed in Inverleith Avenue, everything is done to ensure that they are located as far away from residential houses. In particular that the glass bin is near Ferry Road. Do you think the Council really appreciate the loss of amenity these bins will cause and the potential for them to be misused by non locals, who might respect timings for disposal of glass. Have the Council considered locking access to the bins and giving keys only to locals who are meant to use them? Please also lodge that as an objection I assume the Council are also reconsidering lowering the Council Tax bands of houses affected by this policy again due to the material impact on amenity.</p>	<p>N2-01 Inverleith Avenue</p>
<p>As the owner of No 2 Inverleith Avenue I would like to raise an objection to the new bin hub proposal. Our street can not afford to lose any parking spaces as residents already struggle to find a space and subsequently have to cross the very busy Ferry Road repeatedly. The bin hub will be an eyesore for the residents at the top end of the street and the noise from a bottle bank will be horrendous for all. Please just leave the existing bins where they are (they are bad enough) and do not cause further noise and disruption to an already cramped street!</p>	<p>N2-01 Inverleith Avenue</p>
<p>We formally object to the location of a glass disposal unit in the location of Inverleith Avenue within area N2. This unit is directly beside our house and will have a material and adverse impact on our amenity and that of the flats on Inverleith Avenue as a result of the anti social noise which it will produce. The unit is within 5 metres of our principal living space. We do not love the sound of breaking glass and we will not be alone. What considerations have the Council given to loss of amenity which will arise to the council tax paying citizens of these proposals. What prior consultation has been done. Have you considered measures to ameliorate the noise. What is the decibel level of glass being smashed into these bins; would it breach levels such that if this were a planning application by any one other than the Council that it would be refused or granted only with protective conditions. It is noticeable that in the warning sign about these bins which appeared today no mention is made of the glass disposal unit. Too embarrassed, scared or did you think people would not bother to check. Also the notice says the bins are coming which seems to render this objection process rather meaningless. Have you already made your decision. It does not seem very democratic. Frankly, your lack of openness is pathetic but why would we expect anything better. Please acknowledge receipt of this objection. We would welcome the opportunity to read why the Council and Councillors think this element of these hubs can in any enhance the amenity of Edinburgh residents and why the disposal of glass cannot be managed in a way which is more resident friendly.</p>	<p>N2-01 Inverleith Avenue</p>
<p>I am extremely concerned about a number of changes. As you are mostly likely aware that this bin site on Inverleith Avenue is already blighted with dangerous parking and fly tipping. This site is not regularly checked or maintained despite residents' complaints.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Introduction of a bottle bank: having experienced this before the noise is awful, especially when people use them during anti social hours. This is a highly populated street of flats, so the potential for noise disruption is acute. •This bin site is very visible to passing traffic, and is already a popular site for fly tipping, with both individuals and businesses using these bins for their waste. Increasing the provision here, unfortunately also encourages additional fly tipping. •Safety of cars and pedestrians crossing Inverleith Avenue - we already have an issue with congestion, with cars parking on the double yellows around this entrance, nick named by the police 'In Touch Alley'. Cars reversing onto Ferry Road when there is no available parking, and further safety issues with the lack of visibility due to cars parked on the double yellow lines. I have lived in Inverleith Gardens for over 20yrs and whilst I accept parking is a challenge..... through the years Inverleith Avenue is used as a park and ride facility!!! I accept this, given that we are lucky to live in such a lovely part of the city, however these new proposals to the bin hub changes will make it impossible for all the reasons above, I am also baffled as to why 22 parking spaces are to be removed? Which depending on how people park, this could be the entire street. I urge you to reconsider your proposal, and not to increase the bin hub or extend the double yellow lines, further restricting parking and access to the properties. 	<p>N2-01 Inverleith Avenue</p>

<p>I have been a resident for 26 years and have just organised to be able to continue living here until I no longer am able to climb up to the top floor of my tenement. I love this flat, the area, the bus service and the proximity to the Botanics and to the center of the city. There have been changes over the years, some good and some not. Generally, at the moment travel around the city is trying, parking anywhere near town is unaffordable, bus lanes, cycle lanes, work on the trams, utilities repairs all go to make life a miserable for anyone who has to travel. As a pensioner of 75, I use a bus as much as I can, but I do run a car which is for 95% of the time parked in the cul-de-sac called Inverleith Avenue.</p> <p>I am concerned at how the proposed bin hub is going to affect the amenity of where I live and also my ability to find a safe place to park that is close to my flat. Having spent years being able to walk everywhere, I find that dodgy hips are now making that difficult. I wonder if you have really considered how this might affect the people who live here and have to listen to the noise of bottles being put in the bin or pick up the mess that has been left by inconsiderate people. It is also difficult enough to get in or out of the cul-de-sac safely if other drivers are parked on double yellows. We have over the years had constant problems with the blatant disregard towards safe and considerate parking, mostly by customers of In Touch restaurant. I am worried and concerned at your proposal and would very much like you to reconsider this and not action it. Our neighbourhood deserves better regard from this Council.</p>	N2-01 Inverleith Avenue
<p>Regarding the proposal above can I just say that the current space allocated for bins is perfectly adequate and well positioned....but the bin collectors don't use it properly and leave the bins close to Ferry Road. If they put the bins in the space provided then all would be well. The last thing Inveleith Avenue needs is a reduction in parking as it is already used primarily by non residents who park for work and leave their vehicles all day.</p>	N2-01 Inverleith Avenue
<p>I am writing in connection to the new bin hub in Inverleith Avenue with two main concerns. The 'hub' appears to be encroaching further into the Avenue and taking up even more parking spaces than at present thereby making parking even more difficult for residents. Please could the bins be located at least where they are now? Secondly the inclusion of a bottle bin is totally unsuitable in a residential area. We already suffer with the noise from the In Touch restaurant, whose bins are already an eye sore and totally inappropriate in a residential, conservation area. No doubt they would use a bottle bin as they do with our household bin. Please help us to make this a more attractive, appealing area for residents rather than creating more anti social issues.</p>	N2-01 Inverleith Avenue
<p>It has been brought to our attention that a proposed bin hub is planned for Inverleith Ave. This will be positioned further into the street therefore we will lose parking spaces which are already at a premium. Not only that but the residents at the beginning of the street will have ugly bins outside their property and the added noise of glass being flung into them. Please please keep the bin hub up where the current bins are to avoid all this disruption!</p>	N2-01 Inverleith Avenue
<p>I'm aware of the communal bin review taking place at the moment. As I'm unable to attend any of the scheduled drop in sessions as I am working and all take place during working hours, I am writing to inform you of my concerns. On the TRO_21_16_922.pdf I am very concerned about some proposed placement of any bins. On N2-01 I would like to suggest that the proposed binhub placement is moved further to the left, as much as possible, towards Inverleith Gardens/Ferry Road:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the proposed location appears to be directly outside residential properties on the street which is totally unacceptable and completely unnecessary given the current bins (2 x recycling, 1 x black communal) are not in that location - where possible any new bin location should be moved as close to the corner as is possible so as not to take up valuable parking spaces on an already congested street, not be directly outside residential properties when not required and ideally in a more sensible location to the current KEEP CLEAR marked today which is never used by bins - if any new bin hub is to include a bottle bank this hub needs to be placed in a location that is not going to cause any disturbance for the residents - the communal black bin today is never in the KEEP CLEAR square and indeed because of this the neighbourhood can make use of additional parking space which is hugely valuable and having the main bin slightly out of the square, towards Ferry Road/Inverleith Gardens doesn't cause any issue - could he new bin hub simply be placed further towards Ferry Road/Inverleith Gardens (similar to bin positions today ie not in the KEEP CLEAR) so that we can avail of more parking spaces on the street and not place the hub directly in front of residential properties when it is absolutely not needed - the current KEEP CLEAR should be removed to allow for at least 2 additional parking spaces <p>We have to deal with parking issues continually on the street which councillors attached are well aware of. Placing any new hub in a position that will allow the street more parking, while still being safe, will be a huge benefit. The argument that the bin hub needs to be away from corner I'm afraid doesn't count given the current green recycling bins are on the double yellows and there are absolutely no parking checks to stop people parking on the double yellows either. We need to make efficient use of the corner on a congested street and moving the bin hub further in to the street will do asolutely nothing to help that situation.</p> <p>Additionally, having the bins in a space where they currently are may also go some way towards deterring the dreadful parking behaviour we have to deal with from local businesses.</p> <p>Please do not position the bin hub further in to the street.</p>	N2-01 Inverleith Avenue
<p>I understand that there is a communal bin review taking place at the moment. Since the drop in sessions have been scheduled for daytime I'm unable to attend as I work full time [as I am sure many of the residents in the ward will be in similar situations]. I am therefore writing to you to raise my concerns with the issue. On the TRO_21_16_922.pdf the proposed placement of the bins in Inverleith Avenue are of great concern as they seem to have been moved further left into the street in relation to the current bin placements, consequently they will be taking up even more valuable parking spaces in what is already a congested street. Furthermore, the proposal brings the bins directly into the residential hub [given the flytipping that happens regularly in our street this is hugely concerning that the eyesore/noise will be in direct line of residents homes]. There has surely been some oversight in these plans? I am perplexed to understand the thought process behind this and why they cannot be placed where the existing bins are in the street, most especially as a number of residents in the street have raised issues with regard to the congestion and parking in the street not to mention the anti social behaviour from some of the local businesses. I can only see these problems further exacerbated by the current proposals with that area cleared for the local businesses having access to even more double yellow space so they can park to their hearts content without any reprisal. The bin locations as they stand seems to perfectly acceptable, indeed the black bin is rarely placed within it's located area and is more aligned to the recycle bins nearer the Ferry Road end and this doesn't seemed to have caused any issues thus far. I don't believe the argument that they can't be placed near a corner is valid since we currently have the green recycle bins and over the last 10 years the local businesses have double parked in front of these bins with no pushback or consequence. This will be a huge convenience as it brings litter and noise [from the addition of a bottle bank] even closer to the residents. Indeed, having the bins located where the recycle bins currently are may go some way to deter the ridiculous parking behaviour from local businesses and preserve some much needed parking spaces in an already congested street.</p>	N2-01 Inverleith Avenue

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Currently the bins are spread out in the streets. By grouping them together will further encourage fly tipping. I have already had to report to the council two occurrences of flytipping at the black bins either end of Comely Bank Terrace in the last two months by people who have not used the council's bulk waste collection service. The more bins in one centralised location will also increase the concentration of local litter. The proposal is to locate the bins opposite the entrance to the main entrance to the Dean Bowling Club. Due to the increased number of people working from home because of covid there is a higher demand for parking in the local area and double parking occurs more frequently, especially adjacent to black communal bins. It is likely that this would happen with the proposed bin hub which could restrict access to taxis that regularly drop off members of the bowling club who have mobility difficulties. It could also restrict access of lorries making regular deliveries to the club. Access for taxis drop-offs and pickups at the bowling club would also be difficult with a bin lorry emptying the bins. Locating the bin hubs on wider roads like they currently are (Comely Bank Avenue and Comely Bank Street) would resolve this issue. The proposed site of the bin hubs on both north and south sides of Comely Bank Terrace (N3-6 and N3-7) are located directly outside residents' homes. The noise of bin lorries emptying the bins will greatly disturb residents, especially those with bedrooms on the road side of the tenements. The current bins are located on the west and east side of the bowling club on (Comely Bank Street and Comely Bank Avenue) where they are as far away as possible from homes and not located directly outside them. It is not possible to control at what time of the day people put out their rubbish (which could be during the night), but minimising the noise impact on to residents should be considered, but we believe the Council has not considered this for the proposed locations. The current bins located on Comely Bank Street and Comely Bank Avenue have reduced visual impact on the surrounding area due to their close proximity to the tall hedges at the West and East sides of the bowling club. The proposed bin hub is located directly outside people's homes restricting open views over the bowling club and not in keeping with this historic area of Edinburgh. There is space at both these current bin locations to add further bins as required without impacting residents. The larger grouping of bins will generate noxious odours and vermin for adjacent tenement blocks thus locating bins outside housing should be avoided by using existing bin locations on West and East of the bowling club. There is no plan in the council's proposal for the cleaning of the bins, particularly food waste bins and yet, without this, the noxious odours could increase to undesirable and health-threatening levels in the summer. The addition of the proposed bin hubs will mean a reduction in local parking for residents on Comely Bank Terrace. With elderly people living in these flats or visiting, car parking directly outside is important for easy access. The number of bin hubs in the local area are to be reduced which means people will have to travel further to empty their rubbish. This is problematic for residents that have mobility issues therefore we believe the distance should not be increased as proposed. 	<p>N3-07 Comely Bank Terrace N3-06</p>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Bin hubs attract fly-tipping, as has been amply demonstrated in many neighbouring locations in Edinburgh. Bags and other loose rubbish attracted by and dumped next to bins are routinely ignored by Council staff emptying bins and can thus remain for weeks. The grouping of multiple bins for various types of rubbish and recycling will remove scarce parking spaces and obstruct the comparatively roadway in Comely Bank Terrace. This larger grouping will also maximise noxious odours and vermin for residents. I see no plan for routine cleansing of bins, particularly food waste bins and yet, without this, the noxious odours could increase to undesirable and health-threatening levels in the summer The extra noise from the hubs will cause disturbance to local residents The bins current located to East and West of the bowling green are being removed and yet these are better locations for bin hubs, due to distance from residential properties, rather than locating bin hubs directly outside housing. I had understood from conversation with Council officers, that, where possible, bins would be located adjacent to gardens, rather than to housing, but this is not being proposed in Comely Bank Terrace and bins are being located directly outside residential properties. In practice, I note that some bins in Comely Bank Avenue have been located on pavement areas - which is highly undesirable, but a natural consequence of the negligence and lack of attention to which these installations have been subject in many areas. 	<p>N3-07 Comely Bank Terrace N3-06</p>
<p>I refer to the proposal of the bins that are to be situated on Comely Bank Terrace. At the moment the bins are at both ends of the street and the other is at the edge of the Bowling Green in nobody's way. I am bewildered why you need to place them in the middle of the Comely Bank Terrace which has very few parking spaces anyway and loosing the street scape. In the circumstances would the council's consider siting the new bins in the existing positions where they have always been?</p>	<p>N3-07 Comely Bank Terrace N3-06</p>
<p>I am owner of Flat2F/1, 13 Comely Bank Terrace, Edinburgh EH41AT and write to strongly object to relocation of large bins for refuse collection from existing end of Comely Bank Terrace where there is more space and ease of access for bin lorries. The parking is already very limited for cars in the middle of the terrace and much less space for lorries to manoeuvre and empty bins with proximity of parked cars . <u>As there is I benefit to be obtained from this relocation either to drivers or residents I wish my objection to this proposal to be lodged.</u></p>	<p>N3-07 Comely Bank Terrace N3-06</p>
<p>We have been informed about the planned communal bin bays. We are a business based on 4-8 Learmonth Avenue with the proposed bin bay N2-23. We would like to formally object to having the communal bays places Infront of our premises which is Yoga's got hot. We would be concerned about paid parking being limited further as well as perpetuating the existing challenges we have with fly-tipping.</p>	<p>N3-23 Learmonth Avenue</p>
<p>I am very concerned about the proposed location of the bin hubs in Learmonth. One is proposed for placing directly outside my house. I recognise the need for bins and hubs but would like to point out that of all the existing bins in Learmonth Avenue the one nearest my house and the one opposite are the only two bins that get severely abused. People in their cars turn into the Avenue and dump their rubbish in one of these two bins. By dump I mean old fridges , large computer mainframes, computer desks, kitchen units, three piece suites, beds and mattresses, not to mention the building rubble and cement. None of this is deposited in the bins but thrown down at the sides. It can take a week or more for all of this to be removed. Why can this new proposed bin hub not be located in a similar place to the existing one? It would then be about 10 -15 metres further north from our door and much more tolerable. The noise from bottles and glass being dumped would be lessened. Why are the two hubs at the north end of Learmonth Avenue not positioned opposite each other as they are roughly situated at the moment? Both of the proposed hubs would then be outside business premises and not outside peoples' homes. Each would be beside a wide pavement area making access easier. Outside, the proposed hub would be at a much narrower stretch of pavement. In fact is it not possible for these two hubs to be located on, or at least beside the wide pavements? Considering the abuse the existing bin gets, living beside this new hub will be intolerable. I have seen the results of the pilot scheme in Leith and am appalled. I went to your meeting at Raeburn Place and this was of no help at all. The officials either did not know or were not fully informing us. I asked specifically about the locations in Learmonth Avenue and was told that they did not exist yet. I hope we will be consulted a bit more as we are the people who will have to live with this new scheme. I am therefore registering a strong objection to the proposed location and wish to make a strong plea to have this proposed location outside No7 moved north on Learmonth Avenue by at least 10 -15 metres.</p>	<p>N3-24 Learmonth Avenue</p>
<p>Firstly, the notice has only been displayed on local lampposts since Friday 12th Nov. Neither myself or other neighbours recall any earlier notifications regarding these new Bin hubs. Which leaves little time for residents to lodge any opposition they may have. It is my understanding that Learmonth Avenue is a Conservation Street as the well known Fettes College in a Major focal point. I recall some years ago that householders were told to remove satellite dishes and garden sheds because this street is a Conservation Street and the Council felt it detracted from the look of the area (Fettes College). However the Council seem to feel these bin hubs each with 6 disposal units are not unsightly. Having had a large bin directly outside my bedroom for a number of years I can vouch how distressing it is to have one of these outside your home. I have had many a disturbed nights sleep due to inconsiderate people throwing rubbish late at night not to mention the and mess. A hub is proposed to be sighted across the road from me at No. 27. Could consideration be given to resite these hubs round the corner in Learmonth Park where there are 2 positions which do not involve them being placed outside anyones flat as there is a wide area of gardens. This is well within the 50mtr distance as mentioned in the proposals. I do understand the need for these changes but consideration should be given to the distress that placement of some of these hubs can cause.</p>	<p>N3-25 Learmonth Avenue</p>

<p>In response to the proposed establishment of a refuse/recycle hub outside properties 4 and 5 Learmonth Gardens, Edinburgh, with the siting of additional bins of varying sizes including a glass-recycling bin, and the loss of car parking spaces, I wish to register my strong objection to the changes to be made to the existing arrangements, changes that would have a negative impact on property value and environmental quality of the neighbourhood. It is not at all clear why there is a need for the proposed changes. This objection is in firm support of the points raised by my neighbours Mr Jim and Susan Chapman residing at 5 Learmonth Gardens. who kindly allowed me sight of their e-letter to you. I am a long-standing resident and owner of the property situated above theirs. In addition to those points raised in their letter, I wish to add that I often had difficulty opening the current black waste bin using the pedal bar. Evidence of this difficulty may have been experienced by other users too, especially the elderly, judging from the refuse sometimes left next to the bin. It would appear that there is a need for bin maintenance.</p>	N3-32 Learmonth Gardens
<p>I appreciate the need for these bins but you should consult local residents on the best location for these to minimise disruption, noise, removal of parking availability and general design and mess. Despite best intentions these bins always cause a mess, create noise when emptying and are unsightly. As Learmonth Gardens have gardens on one side it would be easy to site bins along the hedge or within the hedge, preferably across from road junctions eg Learmonth Place, to reduce annoyance to residents. Within Edinburgh generally there are many garden associations and community groups who should be consulted on these type of changes. Please review your plans and consider other options for the location of these bins. I've copied this objection to my local councillor Hal Osler and my MSP Angus Robertson.</p>	N3-32 Learmonth Gardens
<p>From the maps attached to your "consultation" document, it is evident that the council is planning on replacing the 1 general waste bin outside my house with 6 large bins (2 x Black Bins, 2 x Green Bins, 1 x Glass Bin and 1 x Food Waste Bin). This is totally unacceptable as it will seriously blight our part of Learmonth Gardens turning it into a defacto waste recycling mini-centre. The reasons for my very strong objections are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The large general waste bin, which is in place now, is already a noise nuisance, with it regularly being used late at night, and this nuisance would be hugely increased by adding another 5 bins including a glass recycling bin in this single location. 2. Currently there are 3 bins for general waste spread equidistant along Learmonth Gardens (1 per housing section) and focussing them in one spot at our end of the Gardens would not seem to be taking account of people's local requirements, especially older residents, as they would have to carry their waste further. 3. The large waste bin, outside our house, is regularly full and overflowing, as are the large green bins on Comley Bank Road, resulting in considerable litter and rubbish around the bins at times. This would be increased. In addition the food waste bins are not kept clean and regularly smell. 4. This proposal would reduce the already limited parking by a further 2-3 slots along our sections of the road. In addition IF, as we are constantly being reminded, we will be going more and more electric for cars in the future, we will need more charging points closer to people's homes. 5. The consultation process surrounding this, very important matter for affected house-owners, has been decidedly poor. There has been no written indication sent to individual households of these plans and putting a flyer on a lamppost and hoping no-one notices, what is about to happen is decidedly underhanded and I am not sure it is even legal. 6. We have been in our house for 15 + years. We bought the property, as I am sure our neighbours did, knowing that large waste bins were positioned in the various locations. This type of urban vandalism of increasing the number of bins to our street will degrade the value of our properties considerably and the reasons for these changes have not been set out. We already have no collection of any of our recyclable waste and have to take everything ourselves to the various bins in the area. The current situation is by no means ideal but is acceptable and we aware you have budget constraints, but we do pay a lot of council tax and these new proposals are not at acceptable. 7. There is no information about what alternative solutions have been looked at, if any. There is a suitable place for this number of bins opposite your proposed N3-03 location on Comley Bank Avenue, which could occupy the section where the pavement is narrower at the moment, and would cause much less disturbance if the current general waste bins would also be left in place. 	N3-32 Learmonth Gardens
<p>I wish to make a formal complaint regarding the proposal to place two landfill bins ,two recycling bins ,one glass recycling bin and one food recycling bin outside no 4 and 5 Learmonth Gardens. At the present moment there is one landfill bin . Other recycling bins are on the corner of Comely Bank Avenue and Learmonth Gardens where the pavement was widened to house the bins. These bins are not on people's doorstep. This system has worked well without being intrusive. Your proposed plan is highly intrusive to the people who will have the recycling hub on their doorstep. The noise from the glass recycling bin is a noise nuisance on its on. People have a right to live peacefully within the home .I would suggest your proposal of placing a recycling hub outside the front door of people's homes goes against this and does not help with the health and well-being of these citizens and neighbours. Your proposal also does nothing to enhance the look of the street. I strongly suggest you review your proposal and place the hub in an area which is not intrusive to the residents. I would suggest we use the hub at the top of Learmonth Place which is being place against a wall at the side of buildings and not on someone's doorstep. I am hopeful you put the health and wellbeing of the citizens of Edinburgh first and also hopeful that you listen to your citizens.</p>	N3-32 Learmonth Gardens
<p>It has been brought to my attention that a "bin hub" is being proposed outside my flat at 4 Learmonth Gardens. I see that 3 bins are proposed (tho I do find your chart difficult to follow) and that these might be the only bins in Learmonth Gardens. It begs belief that anyone would think this a good idea. At the moment these one bin that is between 4 and 5 unfortunately - I personally think that these bins should be away from houses as seen for example on Learmonth Terrace and Buckingham Terrace..... the only difference being this is a "rat run" sadly, should be on the Gardens side. It is not unusual for people to think it is ok to put rubbish in the bin during the night and common sense says more bins more noise. At the moment with the bin that is there is has constantly not been put back in the square which you as a council decided it should be. I have often been told when asked for the bin to be moved to where it should be that "it's your neighbours hen" they have moved it for parking this is nonsense....it is obvious when these bins are being lowered back into position it's the vibration that moves them usually from what I've seen with all the bins in this street they are all moving to the left every time in direction of Comely Bank which is where the vehicle is heading....it cannot sure be a coincidence that they are all going in the same direction. If one bin is not able to be put back in place every time and no one seems to ever check on this what chance is there of three being put back in place. Relating also to the inability to put these bins in place, for a long time now possible two years or the the bins on Comely Bank Road have not been put back in their holders and are a hazard for anyone wanting to drive out of Learmonth Gardens did no one notice the slope that Comely Bank Road is one the the bins being out of place makes it virtually impossible to see clearly cars coming down especially when 20 speed does not seem to be enforced at any time. Having asked one of your staff at one point why they were not put back in place he just ran away. It is not that many years since your staff had to get out of their vehicles and lift the rubbish...personally I would prefer to have a bag I could hang from the railing with my rubbish on uplift day than these dreadful contraptions....than you planning to put. Orr outside my home.</p>	N3-32 Learmonth Gardens
<p>Your Bin Hub proposals as they stand would not appear to meet some of your own "parameters". Having 6 bins outside our house will certainly not reduce street clutter as far as we are concerned nor will it make much difference for most people in our area in terms of distance to the bins. Additionally Learmonth Gardens is often used by police and emergency vehicles as a faster access route and having many more frequent stops by bin lorries picking up rubbish / recycling would not appear to aid safety. Most of the owners in our area are quite happy with the bin set up as it is and we do not see why you want or need to spend money on this when there are many higher priority issues in our area such as the state of the roads.The reduction of some 100 parking spaces in the Area would also a cause concern as the council also appears to be minded to give the redevelopment of the old Lloyds Bank building at the end of Learmonth Gardens the go ahead. This will consist of 162 flats with parking provisions for 60 !!!!! cars only. No matter how much your green supporters would like to see us all out of our cars this is wishful thinking and this will put a lot more pressure on the parking as it exists at present let alone when you remove another 100 spaces. Various friends of ours who reside in Drummond Place, Heriot Row and Eglinton Crescent have all attended information / briefing sessions on the new bin hubs. In this area we have not been offered any sessions and have not had the opportunity to voice our concerns and understand why these measures are happening and we would request that any progress on these plans are halted until this has been carried out.</p>	N3-32 Learmonth Gardens

<p>We have considered your plans for what was termed "a communal bin enhancement". In their present format we do not support the plan to site six or seven recycling bins in front of our houses is certainly not an enhancement, more an "eyesore" of bins. To say nothing of removing a number of parking spaces for which we pay a premium. Residents have spent thousands of pounds on the exterior upkeep of this Victorian terrace in a bid to enhance this pleasant street and Edinburgh. We are satisfied with the present sitting of the various recycling bins which are within yards of our door. As residents of Learmonth Gardens for more than thirty years we ask the review committee to consider a more sensitive placement of bins.</p>	N3-32 Learmonth Gardens
<p>We wish to formally object in the strongest possible terms to the proposed location of bins outside our property. The bin store in question (ref N3-33) is to service numbers 10 to 19 Learmonth Gardens and has nothing whatsoever to do with our property (or, indeed, any of the other properties) in Learmonth Place. Despite that, under the current proposal, we are the ones who would suffer detriment and adverse impact on the amenity, desirability and value of our property. We note that the Council proposes to service numbers 1 to 9 Learmonth Gardens with a bin store (ref N3-32) sited directly outside those properties. We see no reason why the Council should treat numbers 10 to 19 Learmonth Gardens more favourably – their bin store (ref N3-33) should be sited directly outside their own properties and their rubbish should not be exported to us or anyone else in Learmonth Place.</p>	N3-33 Learmonth Gardens
<p>We are strongly objecting to the proposed position of a bin hub N3-33 near our property. Learmonth Place residents have our own bins for recycling and other refuse for kerbside collection. We do not require a bin hub. Meanwhile there are no bins proposed for numbers 10 to 19 Learmonth Gardens. We are therefore having the burden and negative impact on our street for storing other street's waste. Please note that some households between 10 and 19 Learmonth Gardens are located more than 50m away from the proposed bin hub in Learmonth Place.</p> <p>A precedent has been set at 5 Learmonth Gardens where bin hub N3-32 has been located for 1 to 9 Learmonth Gardens residents. We can not see why bins cannot be placed at some point between 10 to 19 Learmonth Gardens to service these households. We note from Map Tiles 1275 Existing and Tile 1275 Proposed that a yellow line is located, in both tiles, between 14 and 15 Learmonth Gardens. This is where a bin is currently located and could have bins located there in future too.</p> <p>In addition, the location of bin hub N3-33 in Learmonth Place is nearer to 4 Learmonth Place than 2 Learmonth Place, as stated in Communal Bin review, and located next to Learmonth Gardens Lane. The placement of the bin hub could obscure the view of motorists driving out of the lane. We would be happy to meet with your representatives to show why our concerns are justified and would appreciate a reply to this email as we feel we do have genuine reasons for the bin hub N3-33 to be located in another location.</p>	N3-33 Learmonth Gardens
<p>Reason for objection: Bin Location N3-33:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •All the properties on the top ~75% of Learmonth Place are houses with their own bins and do not need a communal bin supply •This bin is presumably therefore nearly exclusively going to be used by residents of Learmonth Gardens •A better location would seem to be on Learmonth Gardens, near the junction with Learmonth Place. This would be closer to the intended users. •I note that an existing bin location on Learmonth Gardens is being removed under the new plans - perhaps because more bins are needed, but it still seems odd to move this from a street where it will be used by residents of the street, to a street where it will only be used by residents of other streets. 	N3-33 Learmonth Gardens
<p>Reason for Objection: Bin Location N3-33 - All houses on Learmonth Place have their own refuse collection bins so there is no requirement for a communal refuse/bin area in this location. The existing bin store location on Learmonth Gardens (between Learmonth Grove & Learmonth Place) would be better suited (plan attached).</p>	N3-33 Learmonth Gardens
<p>Each residency on Learmonth place has it's own bins - landfill, recycling, food waste and glass. There is absolutely no need nor logical reason for this street to be a 'bin hub' given the provisions in place. I would like to formally object to the proposal set out in the aforementioned reference code.</p>	N3-33 Learmonth Gardens
<p>This proposed bin hub is planned to be situated in Learmonth Place just off Learmonth Gardens. The properties in Learmonth Place and 10 to 19 Learmonth Gardens which this hub is presumably proposed to serve whilst flats are subdivided houses with outside space. The properties all have individual bins and it seems therefore a waste of resources and expense for a bin hub in this location. Additionally the lack of current parking restrictions at evenings and particularly weekends mean that adequate parking space is at a premium. The loss of parking at N3-33 and other locations will have a detrimental impact on parking permit holders in the area.</p>	N3-33 Learmonth Gardens
<p>We are a row of houses, we already have 3 bins each and a food container. We do not need or want a bin hub put into the top of the street which is not even for our use. I believe a smaller bin hub has been proposed between 1 and 9 Learmonth Gardens and I think another could be placed between 10 and 19 Learmonth Gardens. Not only would this move the structure from a street that does not use it. The hub would be closer to the residents who will be using the facility.</p>	N3-33 Learmonth Gardens
<p>I object to the proposed changes in bins for Comely Bank, specifically Comely Bank Terrace.</p> <p>I concur with the opinion that:</p> <p>This will reduce local parking, increase noise for bin collections and encourage gulls, as well as the visual impact for the ground floor flats and on the street appeal on the block.</p>	All N3 hubs in Comely Bank (Considered all N3 hubs)
<p>1. We currently have on-street communal bins and a good range of recycling points sited at intervals that are conveniently placed and easily accessible, whilst avoiding the unsightly overall concentration of multiple bins in one site. Unfortunately these existing communal facilities are subject to regular and repeated abuse with people from outside the immediate area driving here to dump large amounts of rubbish in (or next to) our communal bins and trade waste being dumped in the same way (rather than being properly disposed of). These items, including mattresses, old furniture, electronic equipment, building waste and other bulky materials, are routinely left lying in the street often for lengthy periods of time, even after being reported to the council. The proposed plans to create larger, more concentrated, communal bin/recycling hubs will only serve to exacerbate this situation, causing further concern and inconvenience to the local residents who legitimately use the existing communal facilities.</p> <p>2. Your project website states that 'The City of Edinburgh Council is improving the recycling and waste services for people living in flats and to improve the look of our neighbourhoods.' Introducing large concentrated banks of bins will have the opposite effect of dramatically worsening the look of our neighbourhoods. Rather than 'reducing street clutter', the concentration of a large number of bins in hubs will, rather, make our neighbourhood much less attractive.</p> <p>3. The proposed introduction of new glass recycling bins sited so close to residential properties is a major concern in relation to noise disturbance. I am aware that glass recycling points have already had to be removed (for example from Learmonth Crescent) due to noise issues.</p> <p>The following comment relates to Learmonth Avenue in particular:</p> <p>4. Parking for residents at the north end of Learmonth Avenue (between Comely Bank Road and Learmonth Park) is already very limited. The proposed plans, which include the introduction of 2 large hubs in this block (Reference N3-23 and N3-24), will result in significant further loss of essential parking provision.</p> <p>Finally, the public consultation has been very poorly communicated. I stumbled upon information about the TRO process entirely by chance and the neighbours I have spoken to were all unaware of this process. Very small (and not very visible) green information signs were put up very late in the process and I note in most cases these signs are not sited close to the locations of the proposed new hubs. I am of a view that the poor communication is a deliberate tactic on the part of the council to minimise the opportunity for public comment.</p>	All N3 hubs.

<p>My partner and I reside at 6/7 Comely Bank Grove EH41AZ. I am also an N3 permit holder. I have recently been made aware of a proposal to reduce the number of parking spaces on Comely Bank Grove and the surrounding N3 area significantly. My understanding is that this is to facilitate new recycling bins. My view is that this will be an absolute disaster if followed through. I should firstly make it clear that I am very much concerned about the environment and the part recycling plays. I always use the green recycling bin and make infrequent trips to the recycling centre when disposing of items not suitable for the green bin. I tend to save these up and take them to the recycling centre when the quantity merits a trip. This system works well for me and I am content with the part I play in disposing of waste responsibly. I object however to this proposal due to the quantity of parking spaces being removed. I am a pharmacist in the NHS and finish work at various times. If I arrive home at 4pm (by car) I can normally find a spot on Comely Bank Grove. I'd much rather cycle but there is no bike storage anywhere close and living in a top floor flat makes this impractical. If I arrive home at 6pm I normally have to park 1 or 2 streets away. On occasions I arrive home at 7pm I am now forced to park 3-4 streets away - a 5 minute walk. If I arrive home after 10pm (which occasionally happens) I am forced to park further away. This is the current state of play and it is frustrating but tolerable. If we lose 100 odd parking spaces in the N3 area it is my opinion that there will be absolute carnage. I can envision a scenario whereby I can't find a space to park...anywhere...never mind walking distance. Less selfishly I worry about my fiance and being forced to walk further and further in the dark late at night - alone. Sadly there have been recent news stories from other UK cities that tell us the risk is very real. I also have concerns about the elderly being forced to walk further in dark and icy pavements. This WILL be the reality if the proposal is passed. I wish to object to this proposal and instead ask that other options are considered. For instance if one space here and there was lost to bike storage. I argue this would have a greater impact on the environment through increased cycling rates than this bin proposal. We already have this facility at our local recycling centres. Lastly I am alarmed at the lack of awareness of such a significant change. I only heard about this through a post on a stockbridge facebook page by a local councillor. If I hadn't spotted this post I would never have been aware. I wonder why I haven't been sent any correspondence to my address. Indeed none of my neighbours are aware. I try not to distrust Edinburgh council but the lack of consultation stretches my patience.</p>	<p>All N3 hubs.</p>
<p>We refer to the above. We understand waste collection is a statutory service but the sweeping changes to our streetscape are significant. The proposal will significantly reduce the number parking spaces available to residents in the N3 permit zone in Comely Bank and Learmonth. Removing a hundred spaces is going to be a disaster for residents and this doesn't include the impact of electric vehicle charging. You will force older people, single parents, and women to walk longer distances in the night. The number of hubs in different streets is excessive. The number and size of bins will be detrimental to the character of the area as well as, if they really are to be emptied more often, having an extremely detrimental impact on residents' amenity because of noise with the number of collections to take place. They will also hinder sight lines for pedestrians and drivers posing a risk to all. The notification, advertising, and consultation processes have been insufficient and unsatisfactory. A few pop-up events during the working day is not sufficient and the Council has not asked for residents' views in advance of any proposals. Those living in the World Heritage Site have been written to directly and had additional information events which shows a lack of consideration for residents in other areas. No information about locations was provided in advance of advertising the legal order and with only a few weeks to understand and comment, which further demonstrates the insufficient and unsatisfactory nature of this process. It also took raising a complaint with councillors to get a legend to understand the drawings. Thank you for considering our views,</p>	<p>All N3 hubs</p>
<p>Current bin locations are spread out at various locations making it convenient for access. The proposal concentrates on a single hub directly outside properties. This will result in additional noise and potential smells/dumping right outside residential properties. The proposed hub is in the centre of a narrow street and right opposite a sometimes busy access to the bowling club. Refuse vehicles may present an increased danger and noise. The current bins located on Comely Bank Street and Comely Bank Avenue are on wider roads and have reduced visual impact on the surrounding area due to their close proximity to the hedges of the bowling club. There is space at both these current bin locations to add further bins as required without bringing the additional safety risks and impact on residents as mentioned above.</p>	<p>Several sites on N3 (Considered all N3 hubs)</p>
<p>Whilst I am keen to see an improved bin area I was dismayed to see the amount of N3 permit holder parking spaces which will be lost in the area (98 in total and 6 on my street). When returning home after 9pm it is extremely difficult to park near my flat. It often takes 5-10 mins driving around the neighbouring streets before I can get a space. During the autumn and winter months this then means walking in the dark and not particularly well lit streets back to my flat. I would rather be able to park near my flat and get home as soon as possible after parking than having to wander the streets just for the benefit of a bin hub.</p>	<p>All N3 hubs.</p>
<p>Thank you for accepting comment. Of course, I welcome the increase in recycling facilities. I would like to ask how big an area, (how many flats) is this hub planned to serve? The present proposed location is in a very restricted part of the estate where parking is already at a premium, even without considering any immediate future installation of on-street EV charging points. I would like to suggest that a safer place to locate this hub would be the parking space between numbers 60 and 70. This is part of a large area of open space and can be safely accessed by pavement, whereas the present proposed location has no pedestrian access and obviously could be dangerous if children were asked by parents to take recycling to the bin. (your criteria - "" safety – ensuring the bin hubs are safe for people recycling, pedestrians, cyclists and drivers "") Additionally, this suggested location between 60 and 70 is screened by mature bushes and a large evergreen tree.</p>	<p>N5-01 Orchard Brae Avenue</p>
<p>Yesterday I received an email via the New Town and Broughton Community Council regarding the bin hubs to be emplaced in the N1 parking zone. This was the first time I had seen details of the hub sites and I was alarmed to see that I had only 24 hours to meet your deadline of 3rd Dec for comments. As I have had very little time, I have not been able to visit the sites and make specific comments concerning each hub, however all the following are concerns that I urge you to consider.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.The impact of the bin clusters on visibility for pedestrians, cyclists and vehicle drivers. I continue to see examples of existing bins on double yellow lines at the ends of streets. This is, to me, presents as a dangerous situation. 2.Accessibility for residents carrying garbage bags, cardboard, food waste (are there trip hazards, steps, traffic?) 3.Access to man-holes, hydrants and in-road services. 4.The dangers presented by uncontained, fly-tipped waste around the bins (a regular occurrence around existing bin hubs). These dangers include: paper and cardboard blowing into, or being sucked into traffic by the slip-stream of passing vehicles, broken glass and dumped household items around the bins. I enclose Picture 1 as one of many recent examples of fly-tipping around bin hubs in the New Town. 5.Poor maintenance: I regularly see existing communal bins with broken or missing lids. Broken bins present a danger to the users and provide access for gulls and vermin, leading to further street debris. 6.Carelessness when emptying the bins: I have seen occasions where existing communal bins have been emptied but left in a dangerous position. Picture 2 shows a bin having been left at an angle, resting on some fly-tipped cardboard. I saw this bin wobble as a bus went past. 7.Loud noise pollution when emptying the glass bins. I suspect that some of the hubs are very close to residents' bedrooms, especially in lower/ground floor apartments. 8.The impact on traffic flow of having extra waste trucks in the roads. I note the council promises to empty bins every two days. As there are four types of rubbish, this means two trucks per day visiting each hub. 9.The visual appearance of the street-scapes, particularly where there are iconic buildings. 10.The loss of parking. <p>I am strongly opposed to the council's decision to emplace bin hubs across Edinburgh, especially in streets with iconic, heritage architecture. They are a magnet for fly-tippers, they get broken, dirty and abused by graffiti taggers. Like many residents, I see little wrong with the existing waste management system (gull-proof bags in my area), and the reasons given in support of the change seem very weak to me: the issues with the bin hubs described above far outweigh the benefits as I see it. I believe that, had the council consulted with stakeholders at an early stage, raised their concerns with the existing schemes in an open and honest manner, a far better, mutually acceptable, waste management process would have been discovered. I have repeatedly requested the council to put a hold on the bin hub roll-out and undertake a proper consultation process, with all stakeholders. I would like to repeat this request here.</p>	<p>All N1, N2, N3 and N5 bin hubs</p>

<p>I am formally objecting to the overall proposal TRO 21/16 (because the proposed changes are unnecessary and will cause damage to our neighbourhood). I am also formally objecting to that detail of the proposal which involves putting double-yellow lines outside my home (because this will restrict access to my home by tradespeople working on my home; take up a valuable parking space; and, in the longer term, prevent the siting of an electric-car recharging point outside my home). I am also formally objecting to that detail of the proposal which shows double-yellow lines outside my home because this misrepresents what I believe is actually intended outside my home (which is a bay for bins).</p>	<p>All N1, N2, N3 and N5 bin hubs</p>
<p>I object to the proposals set out as TRO/21/16, on the basis that the proposals will be damaging to the setting of Edinburgh and the conservation areas in which the bin hubs will be (where applicable), They will encourage fly tipping/inappropriate use of bin hubs (already a problem in the city due to poorly funded and badly executed public services) and will introduce even more permanent furniture to already cluttered streets. The existing system is failing not in design but in execution; bins are not emptied frequently enough, and the streets aren't cleaned!! This is a council delivery problem and failure, and new bins hubs will not address this, but make it worse. When bulky items are inevitably left at bin hubs these will fall outside the 'correct' use of the bin hubs and no collection service will process them by default, so they sit there indefinitely. We see this already in existing bins hubs. This is hugely harmful to the built environment and quality of life. The council can't even empty normal bins properly in busy areas (eg shopping streets etc) - the idea that they can and will do so in less visible streets is laughable. The sheer lack of cohesive and proper design also shows how gimmicky this is; design guidance repeats the need for 'design-led interventions' but this is another example of such guidance turning out to be worth less than the paper it is written on. These bin hubs will become small tips. This will save the council money in collecting rubbish but harm the built environment and the city's reputation. The bins hubs also present a barrier to active transport when misused that has not been addressed. Any extension into the roadway by bulky items, as seen left at other communal bin hubs, reduces the amount of space for cyclists and further undermines efforts to encourage active travel when working towards a net-zero economy and travel network. Additionally, the public engagement with this has been woefully poor and demonstrates that the council's approach is to railroad residents into accepting their plans, rather than actually looking to response to the needs, concerns and ideas of residents. These are not wanted, but the blinkered council steamroller doesn't want to know that. Despite abject failures, it still knows best...</p>	<p>All N1, N2, N3 and N5 bin hubs</p>
<p>I'd like to formally object to the 'Communal Bin Review Phase 3 - N3 Area' proposal (TRO 21/16) please. Why are you proposing to move the current communal bins from Comely Bank Road, at an area where there are no residential flats and there's space for people to park and dispose of recycling (which they frequently do), to an area directly next to residential flats on Comely Bank Terrace where there are already serious parking issues? This proposal will cause significant noise disruption and parking disruption and I strongly disagree with it. It has also been very poorly advertised which is very disappointing. Could the communal bins be located on the west and east side of the bowling club away from residential areas as much as possible?</p>	<p>All N1, N2, N3 and N5 bin hubs</p>
<p>I would like to make a formal objection to certain placements of the bins as part of the Communal Bin Review Phase 3 - S1 Area reference: TRO 21/25 specifically the proposed positions of the following bin clusters that would be located on Marchmont Road:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •S1-10 •S1-12 •S1-15 <p>https://www.pclconsult.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/S1-1.pdf I will outline my objections for each proposed bin cluster location as follows:</p> <p>S1-10 The proposed location of the new bins will be placed opposite a bus stop, which means on occasion, when the bins are being collected and when a bus stops, there will be no space for traffic behind these vehicles to overtake, thus leading to increased idling of traffic leading to congestion and unnecessary extra fumes polluting the air. I would suggest moving the bins slightly further up from the proposed site between door numbers 44-46 to between door numbers 46-48-50 to prevent this avoidable situation occurring.</p> <p>S1-12 As with the proposed location of the bins for S1-10, these bins will be placed opposite a bus stop, which again means on occasion, when the bins are being collected and a bus stops on the other side of the road at the same time, there will be no space for traffic behind these vehicles to overtake, leading to increased idling of traffic, congestion and extra fumes polluting the air. As you will see from my address, I already currently have a communal bin outside my property and have witnessed the situation of a bin lorry emptying the bin and bus dropping off/picking up passengers at the same time and seeing lines of traffic build up idling on either side of the road unable to pass until either the bus or bin lorry moves.</p> <p>Another reason I object to the placement of this bin, is that there is a gully on the road right directly outside the gate to 82 Marchmont Road. Placing the bins here would go against the Council's Transport and Environment Committees Communal Bin Enhancement Update report on Thursday, 27 February 2020. The section on Road Safety Requirements and streetscape states: "- bins should not be sited over manhole covers or other street furniture including gullies and other drains." https://democracy.edinburgh.gov.uk/documents/s14507/Item%207.5%20-%20Communal%20Bin%20Enhancement.pdf I would suggest moving the bins slightly further down from between door numbers 82-84 to between door numbers 76-78-80. This avoids the problem of buses and bin lorries blocking the road and also avoids the issue of the gully outside 82 Marchmont Road.</p> <p>S1-15 The current position of the communal bin is right in front of a drop-kerb crossing, for those who use a wheelchair or other mobility vehicle, at the moment they are currently unable to see approaching traffic clearly. The proposed location of the new bins would remain in the same position, however I would urge that the new position of the communal bins are moved slightly further down to the road from outside door numbers 113-115 Marchmont Road to 111-113 Marchmont Road, thus leaving enough of a gap for someone using a wheelchair or other mobility vehicle to see oncoming traffic more easily. As a general point, while the drawings don't clearly show which properties the bins will be outside, it should be the case that all the bins shouldn't be outside the entire length of a ground floor flat/garden. The bins should be centralised between the entranceway's that lead to the upstairs flats, so the bins will at least be split between two ground floor properties. While I have these particular objections, I am broadly in favour of communal bins as it will offer a one stop shop for all domestic rubbish and recycling. However, the current proposals do need to be tweaked slightly. I do hope that my objections and solutions are seen as constructive and helpful. I would be more than happy to engage with a member of the team to give more feedback and further explain the concerns that I have raised.</p>	<p>S1-10 Marchmont Road</p>

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S1-12

As with the proposed location of the bins for S1-10, these bins will be placed opposite a bus stop, which again means on occasion, when the bins are being collected and a bus stops on the other side of the road at the same time, there will be no space for traffic behind these vehicles to overtake, leading to increased idling of traffic, congestion and extra fumes polluting the air.

As you will see from my address, I already currently have a communal bin outside my property and have witnessed the situation of a bin lorry emptying the bin and bus dropping off/picking up passengers at the same time and seeing lines of traffic build up idling on either side of the road unable to pass until either the bus or bin lorry moves.

Another reason I object to the placement of this bin, is that there is a gully on the road right directly outside the gate to 82 Marchmont Road. Placing the bins here would go against the Council's Transport and Environment Committees Communal Bin Enhancement Update report on Thursday, 27 February 2020. The section on Road Safety Requirements and streetscape states:

"- bins should not be sited over manhole covers or other street furniture including gullies and other drains."

<https://democracy.edinburgh.gov.uk/documents/s14507/Item%207.5%20-%20Communal%20Bin%20Enhancement.pdf>

I would suggest moving the bins slightly further down from between door numbers 82-84 to between door numbers 76-78-80. This avoids the problem of buses and bin lorries blocking the road and also avoids the issue of the gully outside 82 Marchmont Road.

S1-15

The current position of the communal bin is right in front of a drop-kerb crossing, for those who use a wheelchair or other mobility vehicle, at the moment they are currently unable to see approaching traffic clearly. The proposed location of the new bins would remain in the same position, however I would urge that the new position of the communal bins are moved slightly further down to the road from outside door numbers 113-115 Marchmont Road to 111-113 Marchmont Road, thus leaving enough of a gap for someone using a wheelchair or other mobility vehicle to see oncoming traffic more easily. As a general point, while the drawings don't clearly show which properties the bins will be outside, it should be the case that all the bins shouldn't be outside the entire length of a ground floor flat/garden.

The bins should be centralised between the entranceway's that lead to the upstairs flats, so the bins will at least be split between two ground floor properties.

While I have these particular objections, I am broadly in favour of communal bins as it will offer a one stop shop for all domestic rubbish and recycling. However, the current proposals do need to be tweaked slightly.

I do hope that my objections and solutions are seen as constructive and helpful. I would be more than happy to engage with a member of the team to give more feedback and further explain the concerns that I have raised.

S1-12 Marchmont Road

<p>I would like to make a formal objection to certain placements of the bins as part of the Communal Bin Review Phase 3 - S1 Area reference: TRO 21/25 specifically the proposed positions of the following bin clusters that would be located on Marchmont Road:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •S1-10 •S1-12 •S1-15 <p>https://www.pclconsult.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/S1-1.pdf I will outline my objections for each proposed bin cluster location as follows:</p> <p>S1-10 The proposed location of the new bins will be placed opposite a bus stop, which means on occasion, when the bins are being collected and when a bus stops, there will be no space for traffic behind these vehicles to overtake, thus leading to increased idling of traffic leading to congestion and unnecessary extra fumes polluting the air. I would suggest moving the bins slightly further up from the proposed site between door numbers 44-46 to between door numbers 46-48-50 to prevent this avoidable situation occurring.</p> <p>S1-12 As with the proposed location of the bins for S1-10, these bins will be placed opposite a bus stop, which again means on occasion, when the bins are being collected and a bus stops on the other side of the road at the same time, there will be no space for traffic behind these vehicles to overtake, leading to increased idling of traffic, congestion and extra fumes polluting the air. As you will see from my address, I already currently have a communal bin outside my property and have witnessed the situation of a bin lorry emptying the bin and bus dropping off/picking up passengers at the same time and seeing lines of traffic build up idling on either side of the road unable to pass until either the bus or bin lorry moves.</p> <p>Another reason I object to the placement of this bin, is that there is a gully on the road right directly outside the gate to 82 Marchmont Road. Placing the bins here would go against the Council's Transport and Environment Committees Communal Bin Enhancement Update report on Thursday, 27 February 2020. The section on Road Safety Requirements and streetscape states: "- bins should not be sited over manhole covers or other street furniture including gullies and other drains." https://democracy.edinburgh.gov.uk/documents/s14507/Item%207.5%20-%20Communal%20Bin%20Enhancement.pdf I would suggest moving the bins slightly further down from between door numbers 82-84 to between door numbers 76-78-80. This avoids the problem of buses and bin lorries blocking the road and also avoids the issue of the gully outside 82 Marchmont Road.</p> <p>S1-15 The current position of the communal bin is right in front of a drop-kerb crossing, for those who use a wheelchair or other mobility vehicle, at the moment they are currently unable to see approaching traffic clearly. The proposed location of the new bins would remain in the same position, however I would urge that the new position of the communal bins are moved slightly further down to the road from outside door numbers 113-115 Marchmont Road to 111-113 Marchmont Road, thus leaving enough of a gap for someone using a wheelchair or other mobility vehicle to see oncoming traffic more easily. As a general point, while the drawings don't clearly show which properties the bins will be outside, it should be the case that all the bins shouldn't be outside the entire length of a ground floor flat/garden. The bins should be centralised between the entranceway's that lead to the upstairs flats, so the bins will at least be split between two ground floor properties. While I have these particular objections, I am broadly in favour of communal bins as it will offer a one stop shop for all domestic rubbish and recycling. However, the current proposals do need to be tweaked slightly. I do hope that my objections and solutions are seen as constructive and helpful. I would be more than happy to engage with a member of the team to give more feedback and further explain the concerns that I have raised.</p>	<p>S1-15 Marchmont Road</p>
<p>I don't have an objection to the basic proposal but I do object to the fact that that proposed for the section of Spottiswoode Street between Spottiswoode Road and Thirlestane Road is going to reduce the amount of car parking space. This is exacerbated by the fact that the length of double yellow lines on the corners, particularly those in Spottiswoode Street on the south corners, are exceptionally long. The current recycling bins do not affect car parking. When I attended one of the information sessions I was lead to believe that parking would not be affected and the amount might actually increase. Also to have these Hubs directly outside people's entrances isn't great for those involved. A much better area would be at the south end of the street before the corners. The space could be generated there with a combination of the space released by the moving of the black bins with some reduction in the length of double yellow lines. I have previously complained about the length of the double yellow lines which, compared with those in other places, seem excessively long and which were once reduced in length but then later reinstated.</p>	<p>S1-23 Spottiswoode Street</p>
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<p>I write to object to the proposed siting of a communal bin hub outside Morningside Library. During peak commuting times, this bin arrangement will not be shielded by vehicles parked in adjacent spaces as that is not permitted at busy times. Cyclists cycling up Morningside Road will be forced out into the busy traffic stream just at the point where southbound traffic may be taking a wider sweep towards the bins as they pass vehicles waiting to exit Falcon Road West. In this situation cyclists are likely to be squeezed out with consequent risk to life. To introduce such an obstacle at a time when the city is trying to facilitate and encourage cycling is a most backward step and I would ask that such bin arrangements be restricted to the side streets of this busy thoroughfare.</p>	<p>S2-09 Morningside Road</p>
<p>I would like to object to the proposed position of bin hub S2-09. This is a new bin group and is being added to Morningside Rd at Morningside Library. I feel it is an inappropriate place for street clutter outside a significant and beautiful public building. There was a bench outside used by elderly residents and this should be reinstated so one can sit without looking at bins. Morningside is a town centre which needs to be attractive to street activities and public buildings are key destinations and drivers of visits that then feed into the local economy. It seems unnecessary as there is space for bins at the end of Falcon Road West for a second bin hub opposite S2-30. Whilst also bin hubs on Spring Valley gardens are a short walk away. Cycling uphill at peak times the extra space from parking restrictions means cars and buses can pass before the pavement widening at Waitrose. Thus these bins will force cyclists out into traffic 24/7 when travelling up hill.</p>	<p>S2-09 Morningside Road</p>
<p>It was agreed at our last community council meeting that we would ask if it possible to move the bins outside Morningside Library to a side space. Cyclists will find it difficult cycling up Morningside road during busy times if the bins are installed on this section of road. There would be no space left for cyclists.</p>	<p>S2-09 Morningside Road</p>
<p>As a resident of Whitehouse Loan, I wish to raise an objection to having communal bins located as indicated at S2-47 in the planning and transport document. There are already bins around the corner at Thirlestane Road and Whitehouse Loan and Bruntsfield Crescent and Whitehouse Loan which are well placed and are not directly in front of a residence. The proposed bins are right in front of our building and will cause not only disturbance to residents but also increased clutter and litter on the street in front of the building. Given that the buildings nearby should be well served by the previously mentioned bins, I see no reason to include these new ones.</p>	<p>S2-47 Whitehouse Loan</p>

<p>I hereby object to the recycling and glass bins to be placed on Greenhill Terrace. I am a photographer and an Instagram influencer, owner of the popular The Grange Edinburgh Instagram channel with over 10,000 follows https://www.instagram.com/the_grange_edinburgh/ and I can affirm that the recycling bins would be too close to the church which is a B-listed building, therefore will have an impact on the amenity and status of the area. Additionally the bins would be very close to windows of private dwelling, as there is no garden or extra space in between. A location which would be more suitable and would not impact private housing is on Whitehouse Loan for example opposite the football pitch owned by the school.</p>	S2-31 Greenhill Terrace
<p>We would be most grateful if you could consider our objection to the council's proposal to create a bin hub directly outside our house, impacting on our peace and quiet. Our property at 102b Whitehouse Loan is a converted church hall which also opens out on to Greenhill Terrace (formerly 1b) with 3 bedrooms, a living room and a study located looking on to the street, where there is a black refuse bin directly outside, which we have accepted for many years despite noise and inconvenience. We were however extremely unhappy to see yesterday a sign going up saying the council intend to locate a larger bin hub right next to the existing bin which will include a bottle bank and recycling bin. This would impact greatly on our overall peace & quiet enjoyed until now. Our property is directly on the pavement and the proposed bin hub would be located some 3m from our living space. This is quite clearly an inconsiderate choice of location. Do the council believe that the property is still a commercial property? It was formerly an office until 2005 when we converted it to residential.</p>	S2-31 Greenhill Terrace
<p>I'm writing regarding the plan (TRO 21/25) to add more recycling bins on Greenhill terrace. I would like to object. I'm very pro recycling bins and that area around Whitehouse Loan could definitely use more, the existing ones are regularly full. However, the location selected on Greenhill terrace seems unsound. The building, 102 Whitehouse Loan is situated directly along that pavement meaning the new bins will be directly outside peoples windows. For note it doesn't directly affect my flat. Moving the bins further along the street or even just to the other side of the road, both options I would support, would have less impact on the residents as most other houses on that street are set a little way back from the pavements having front gardens with hedges which would provide some insulation from a bin hub</p>	S2-31 Greenhill Terrace
<p>I am writing to object to the proposal to create a large bin hub on Greenhill Terrace. As a property owner at 102 Whitehouse Loan this would impact on me for various reasons. There would be increased noise and footfall in the street and a high chance of broken glass. I assume it may also result in loss of parking spaces which are precious in this area. The area is already well provided for with recycling bins, so I do not feel these are required. I trust that you will reconsider this proposal</p>	S2-31 Greenhill Terrace
<p>I'd like to object the changes proposed in TRO 21/25 Tile 1867 and published in https://pplengagement-hub.co.uk/en-GB/projects/cbrph3s2 These changes cover reduced parking spaces around properties Whitehouse Loan 102 and 102b and the installation of the new recycling hubs on Greenhill terrace adjacent to the mentioned properties. Issues with the proposal:- would reduce already limited parking spaces around building 102 Whitehouse Loan. - create unnecessary noise and street contamination in front of a grade C listed building there's already a recycling point on an intersection of Whitehouse Loan and Thirlestane Road which is being used by the occupants of 102 Whitehouse Loan - new facilities would serve just 102 Whitehouse Loan only - there are no other tenement building in the area, the rest of the streets are 2-3 detached and converted villas with their own recycling schedule - existing recycling point on Thirlestane Road has a lot more space to be extended since the road is much wider - Thirlestane Road has a much wider residents only car park that is not as busy as Greenhill Terrace and Whitehouse Loan and had plenty of space for extending recycling area</p>	S2-31 Greenhill Terrace
<p>I am concerned about the proposed site of a new bin hub on Greenhill Terrace. The main concern is that this is sited directly outside a residential property while there are other options of lesser residential impact very close by, for example Bruntsfield Terr and Thirlestane Road where there are other bins already located. I'd suggest increasing bin options and numbers at current sites would be better than new locations on the roadside directly outside residential properties. These properties are flats so some of them will have bedroom windows directly opposite the new proposed site which could be very antisocial and disturbing for the residents.</p>	S2-31 Greenhill Terrace
<p>As the owner of a flat in Whitehouse Court, 102 Whitehouse Loan, I am joining with other owners, and particularly David and Elizabeth Bowman of 102B, to voice our opposition to the creation of an additional bin hub beside our block of flats in Greenhill Terrace. There is already a single landfill bin there and adequate recycling bins diagonally opposite on the corner of Thirlestane Road against the sports field owned by the Gillies Centre. The pavement has been built out on that corner to accommodate the bins and therefore, if you feel it necessary to add a bottle bank, that is where it should be sited as it would be least adverse to local residents, being near a sports field and near the Purves' undertakers' premises. Badly emptied bottle banks represent a hazard for dogs, of which there has been an increase due to the pandemic, as well as to small children, and food waste bins smell in the summer, especially when so close to residents' windows, as well as encouraging flies.</p>	S2-31 Greenhill Terrace
<p>We have just seen a bin hub notice go up on the lamppost outside our bedroom windows.</p> <p>These bedrooms/study are already heavily impacted by the one bin there, the lid of which thumps shut frequently during the night as well as daytime,*impacting both nighttime sleep and daytime concentration*, ie the right to quiet enjoyment of our home, and your proposals significantly increase this detriment.</p> <p>The bedroom/study closest (all are around 3 metres from the existing single bin and any projected bins, two on the same level and master bedroom above) is already overrun with mice - we have recently had to throw out a significant amount of clothing from the wardrobes & drawers there as well as bedside rugs. These rooms are on the opposite side of the house to the kitchen, which does not have the same issue, and therefore it is reasonable to suggest proximity to the dumpster bin is the cause.</p> <p>We are also concerned because the existing bin outside a recessed wall with our windows has created a hidden enclave for young people doing drugs and truanting school children. A longer run of bins in this street basically creates a litter-strewn alley of danger, impacting on my personal security going out with our own bins and making it difficult to access my own back door feeling safe. Were any of these bins to be glass bins, it would become unliveable.</p> <p>*Furthermore, we see no reason why a line of bins for further capacity could not go alongside the stone wall from Thirlestane Rd to before the Gillies Centre, facing across the wide quiet route from the undertaker's car park and along the length of the high blind stone wall enclosing the school football ground* where it would not have the same residential impact and where it is quiet & easy to cross*</p> <p>We wonder if perhaps, in making your plans, you have thought our house (old church hall & brick link building, adjacent to neighbouring converted church flats) is still commercial property, which it has not been since 2005, sixteen years ago??</p> <p>(We have already been impacted by, for example, a rented Spaces for People supply van being permanently parked outside our house, blocking what light there is to the ground floor for a full year now. For many people, this is the only place where they can park to allow elderly people & children to visit the dentist opposite.)</p> <p>I would appreciate your acknowledgement of, and constructive response to those relevant points I raise above. This is my own letter; I believe my husband is already contacting you separately.</p>	S2-31 Greenhill Terrace

<p>There are various reasons for this objection.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.We have not been consulted about this proposal. We believe we should be. 2.No need for these additional bins has been provided. 3.We do not experience overflowing bins in Mardale Crescent. 4.Mardale Crescent is a short street, opposite Napier University, and there are residential properties on only one side of the road. Currently our rubbish is satisfactorily disposed of by three large bins spaced along the Crescent. What your drawing (attached) does not show is what is what also on the street - in the attached photograph - a row of recycling bins outside Napier's fence which are used by all residents for recycling paper, plastics, etc.. I attach a map (p 13) which shows the location of these 5 bins marked in red. 5.The current bin outside no 28 is on a blind corner, which presents traffic safety concerns. 6.The pavement outside nos 28/30 is narrow. Extra bins would impede access to front doors. 7.Bin hubs encourage poor recycling habits, create bin clutter, attract fly tipping, take up scarce parking spaces and are unsightly. 	<p>S3-15 Mardale Crescent</p>
<p>The reasons for my objections are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. There is a busy carpark opposite, which is in constant use. 2. There is a bike storage shed opposite, which is also in constant use. 3. The proposed location is located on blind corner, which already presents significant road traffic safety concerns. The likelihood is 28 Mardale will become a recycling destination and cars will double park making issues worse. 4. There are more suitable nearby locations that are not located directly outside a busy main door. 5. We already have a large recycling facility in Mardale Crescent, located at Napier University, which is poorly maintained. The amount of glass on the floor is a major safety hazard and it has become a general dumping ground and I honestly don't see how it's going to be any different! 6. In general, food waste recycling is poorly managed by all and will only attract vermin. <p>The issue is people just don't care and will dump anything and everything all day every day! I believe the proposal a poor solution to a serious problem and will only create anxiety and distress for the residents who'll need to constantly clean up the mess.</p>	<p>S3-15 Mardale Crescent</p>
<p>I'm writing to object to the installation of the proposed recycling facility to be located outside of 28 Mardale Crescent – Location Reference S3-15. The reasons for my objections are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The bin hub comprising of 6 bins is less than 4 meters from our living room and bedrooms and two meters from my front garden. 2. There is a car park opposite, which is also in constant use. 3. There is a bike storage shed opposite, which is also in constant use. 4. The proposed location is located on blind corner, which already presents significant road traffic safety concerns. The likelihood is 28 Mardale will become a recycling destination and cars will double park making issues worse. 5. The existing household bin is constantly being used for trade waste and is a dumping ground and I am constantly tidying up other people's waste. 6. These bin hubs are subject to graffiti tagging and are damaged and never repaired. 7. There are more suitable nearby locations that are not located directly outside a busy main door and my home. 8. We already have a large recycling facility in Mardale Crescent, located at Napier University, which is poorly maintained. The amount of glass on the floor is a major safety hazard and it has become a general dumping ground and I honestly don't see how it's going to be any different! Why can't the council look at this site and improve the facilities here as it is contained and away from people's homes. Where is the harm in walking to the existing recycling hub. 9. In general, food waste recycling is poorly managed by all and will only attract vermin and emit fousl smells. <p>The issue is people just don't care and will dump anything and everything all day every day! I am appalled that the council believes this type of waste management is appropriate for any street in the city, this solution to a serious problem will only create anxiety and distress for the residents who'll need to constantly clean up the mess. I don't believe the council have considered the locations of these new Hubs with regards to all of the above.</p>	<p>S3-15 Mardale Crescent</p>

<p>I'd like to raise my objection to the proposed recycling hub that is meant to be located at 28 Mardale Crescent.</p> <p>1) Safety Concerns: 28 Mardale Crescent is a blind corner for drivers - there have been incidents of two cars bumping into each other at that corner - with cars parked on both sides, a busy car park in front of the building it is not a good location for a recycling hub - there are more convenient, less dangerous locations in the area.</p> <p>2) We already have a large recycling hub nearby: Building on the latter point, there is a very large (probably the largest of all Bruntsfield) recycling hub near Napier university, it is just 100 meters away. The current proposals do not seem to take these into account.</p> <p>3) Rodent concerns: We have rodents, we see them on a regular basis, and also find dead mice regularly. Adding several recycling hubs will only add to how easily they spread around the city. Our area is already bad for rodents, please do not add to this issue. I am all for recycling, but rodents bring health and safety concerns that cannot be ignored, especially at a time when health services are already struggling.</p> <p>4) Strong inconvenience to local residents: There is a poor track record in keeping the Napier recycling hub clean and tidy, and glass free (again a safety concern). This results in rubbish being spread, unwanted smells and noise. We have a neighbourhood with decent size and well maintained front gardens (that also happened to be south facing) that our neighbours used on a regular basis. It is an unnecessary inconvenience to local residents (some of them having lived there for over 20 years) to bear the inconvenience of the recycling hub (adding rodents to this as well).</p> <p>5) Maintenance of the already recycling hub: As an immediate measure towards efficient recycling in Edinburgh, I would like to see the existing hubs be better maintained and emptied on a more regular basis. It seems more costly to add recycling hubs than ensuring the ones we already have can be used and cleaned properly.</p> <p>6) Food recycling: I am all for food recycling, but those bins are overly dirty (handles might help), and therefore are unhygienic to touch. Before adding more of those bins, please make sure they can be used safely by residents. Also that they do not encourage vermin to spread.</p>	<p>S3-15 Mardale Crescent</p>
<p>I wanted to formally object to the placement of recycling bins at 28 Mardale Crescent. The current communal bin is an eyesore, in disrepair, vandalized and is not emptied frequently enough. I have concerns that recycling bins will be the same but attract more waste and mess on the street. Potential issues with rodents due to the no doubt poor maintenance and emptying as well. The current recycling bins located at the rear of Napier are emptied infrequently, have rubbish strewn on the street, broken glass etc. having this outside our flats is not the answer unless the council properly maintains, cleans and emptiesthe bins at frequent intervals - which won't happen due to the squeeze on budgets. <u>We used to put crates out which were picked up but this was stopped for financial reasons, but that avoids the issues you will create for residents by putting huge bins outside.</u></p>	<p>S3-15 Mardale Crescent</p>
<p>1. SAFETY: More bins in this location would be dangerous for several reasons: (a) 28 Mardale Crescent is located on a blind corner. The road is very narrow and there is a busy car park at Napier, opposite. Owing to the current lack of spaces (made worse by the existing refuse bin and cycle storage), delivery vans, bin lorries, etc., routinely double-park, creating a bottle-neck and risk of collisions. This situation would be made far worse by additional bins taking up more space. (b) There would be a particular risk to pedestrians (especially children) crossing at this location, as well as cyclists using the cycle storage opposite, as the bins would obstruct the view of/from approaching cars. (c) Locating a glass recycling bin here would lead to broken glass on the road and pavement (as occurs at existing nearby recycling points), which is a particular hazard for pedestrians, and increases the risk of punctures for cyclists.</p> <p>2. MICE/RATS: -There is already a rodent problem in the area (evidenced by the many traps located on the nearby Napier campus and frequent Rentokil visits); locating a food waste bin immediately outside a residential building would attract rats, etc., creating a health risk.</p> <p>3. NOISE: -Residents are frequently disturbed late at night by people depositing large amounts of glass into the nearby recycling bin outside the Napier building (despite this being located on the opposite side of the street and screened by trees). Having a glass recycling bin immediately outside the building would lead to significant noise disturbance for residents.</p> <p>4. LACK OF NEED: -There are already more-than-adequate recycling facilities located at the back of the Napier building less than 100 metres away, which do not seem to have been taken into account in the plans.</p> <p>5. MORE SUITABLE ALTERNATIVE LOCATION: -Rather than placing additional bins on a blind corner and creating an unnecessary hazard to residents, a better alternative would be to increase the number of bins at the existing recycling point outside the Napier building, and/or add a food waste bin at that location.</p>	<p>S3-15 Mardale Crescent</p>
<p>My concerns are: -This is already a busy residential street with traffic to and from Napier University including a car park -The suggested location is a blind corner with many large vehicles already using this road frequently -The bins are less than 8 feet from the front tenement door and given this will also include food recycling this is a worry for rats, foxes / constant odours -There is already an allocated recycling location on Mardale Crescent – can these bins be added to this existing area? If not, what's the rationale? -Having lived here for over 8 years, I have noticed the recycling frequently overflows and items are left next to the overflowing bins. What guarantee is there, this will not happen in the new location particularly with food waste? And, fly tipping? -What processes are in place for the maintenance of the bins? I ask as the existing refuse bin was broken for over 1 year before recently being fixed -The pavement itself will be impacted with irresponsible disposal of waste Please can you clarify given the impact on the residents of 28 Mardale Crescent, why we were not contacted individually? I'd appreciate some additional thought being given to this proposed location and other options being considered.</p>	<p>S3-15 Mardale Crescent</p>

<p>Yesterday, I watched a fire engine become 'stuck' at exactly the spot earmarked for 6 communal bins. The curve of the road, followed by a right-angled corner with parking on both sides of the road, makes manoeuvring a large vehicle, such as a bin lorry, problematic. Much better to regularly empty the existing recycling bins at Napier University at the head of Rochester Terrace. In addition, Mardale Crescent only has houses on one side, and they are not all tenements. 28 Mardale Crescent is at the west end of the crescent, blocked by Napier's car park on one side, and by the backs of the houses on Napier Road, the meagre footfall is mainly students and children. Most people go east, to the shops and cafes of Bruntsfield, so for convenience would like their recycling en route, such as at the facility at Napier, already described. A set of unused bins at 28 would not represent value for money, and would leave a considerable hazard, if it was used, of broken glass and potential rat problems. Children need a safe route to school. The Napier facility is sited for convenience, and services a corner well-used by the surrounding streets though the university has its own bins within its grounds as well. Are you aware of this facility? It doesn't feature on the council website. At the very least, site the bins within Napier car park where the noise, smell, and debris won't cause householders a headache. Best of all, appreciate that the existing bins are widely used, and work for the neighbourhood. There is no need for more of them in the position you have chosen.</p>	S3-15 Mardale Crescent
<p>I found it hard to find the plans for the proposed new bin hubs for my street, Mardale Crescent. They don't feature on any of the tiles, and you have to search through the S3-1 pdf to find the placing of a new bin hub outside 28 Mardale Crescent. There is a black bin at present. The bin lorries find it hard to access because of the mixed meter and permit holder parking on either side of the road. I notice that the bike hangar is not featured, nor is the fact that traffic comes from many directions, including through Napier Car Park, creating a clear hazard for pedestrians trying to cross the road. There are many children who walk to school, and the sharp corner with Merchiston Crescent, combined with the blind 'dip' into Mardale would make bin collections an obvious danger. At the moment, the bin lorry frequently blocks the road, because there is not room for a car to pass if the parking is occupied. In addition, there is a more than adequate set of recycling bins at the back of Napier University, also not marked on your map. They don't appear on the council website either but are within easy walking distance, on a convenient route to the shops. The bins are tall, another danger when placed on the side of the road where people live because they obstruct the view of traffic. That small stretch of Mardale Crescent is a known danger spot, and more bins will add to street clutter. The opposite side is the car park of Napier, and much more suitable for siting bins. Food waste is recycled in my tenement, no 28, by use of compost bins in the back green, and at tenants' allotments. I imagine many tenants further down the road use a similar system. A food waste bin would itself be a waste, particularly as there is a handy one at the end of Blantyre Terrace, the adjacent street, on the way to shops. Please reconsider the site of this bin hub. It would be better if they were placed on the opposite side of the road, beside the bike hangar, with the loss of a single parking space. I know from the experience of fighting for the bike hangar that there is a real lack of local knowledge, and I can only suggest that you visit while the bin lorry is attempting to empty the black bins. If they don't do it before 8.30am, when the parking starts, they create a hazardous situation for pedestrians, cyclists, and other road users. Three glass, and three mixed big recycling bins are available within 25 yards of 28 Mardale Crescent, and are even nearer for other houses on the street.</p>	S3-15 Mardale Crescent
<p>Hi I would like to object to the proposal to put waste bins outside next to the pavement at Merchiston Crescent. This is a double yellow line area on a corner which cars frequently use as a turning circle, it makes little sense on the grounds of road safety to put the bins here. I would say also that in the interests of smell and hygiene another less populated area perhaps within Napier could easily be found.</p>	S3-20 Merchiston Crescent
<p>I would like to object to the placing of bin hub reference S3-20 which is placed outside properties 59 and 51 Merchiston Crescent. I primarily object on safety grounds: the junction between Merchiston Crescent and Spylaw Road is a common crossing point. The bins will obscure the sight lines at this junction for pedestrians. There are currently double yellow lines for the majority of the space demarcated for this bin hub for this reason. More generally I object to the presence of a food bin; my experience of these is that they create odour, and so we will lose the amenity of our front gardens during warm weather. I would propose that the bin hub is moved across the road and to the largely unused parking spaces at the top of Spylaw Road, or further round Merchiston Crescent on the side of the road opposite the flats. These locations do not obscure the sight lines and are adjacent to a tall garden wall and so will have far less impact on the residents.</p>	S3-20 Merchiston Crescent
<p>I would like to formally object to the proposal for the bins S4-52 directly outside 33 Gibson Terrace on the following grounds, access to building (bins are directly in front of main tenement door, affecting all residents including a pram user), and the smell that this will bring being directly outside of the main door. Please consider moving away from main entrance.</p>	S4-52 Gibson Terrace

<p>As an avid supporter of recycling and a regular recycler I welcome this project within Edinburgh City, however I would like to formally object to the overall proposal of the Bin Hub S4-52 located within Gibson Terrace EH11 Edinburgh on page 13 of the following document: S4-1.pdf (pclconsult.co.uk)</p> <p>Communal Bin Enhancement – Transport and Environment Committee Report dated Thursday 27th February, 2020 Item 7.5 - Communal Bin Enhancement.pdf (edinburgh.gov.uk)</p> <p>My apologies for the lateness of my correspondence as I have only just been made aware of the proposal recently, and for the first time. With regards to the above subject and as an affected resident of the area I would like you to consider the proposals as not fit for purpose in its current form. Indeed the whole process appears particularly flawed and weighted wholly in favour of whatever the committee proposes. This directly contradicts paragraph 5.3 which says that each site should be assessed on its own merits. It therefore appears that a 'one glove fits all' approach has been administered and the views of the paying customer never taken into account or even solicited before seeking approval. The paper refers to feedback but there is nothing in the proposals that seeks objections on substantive grounds.</p> <p>The reasons I personally will be affected are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Communal Close/Stair/Door Access (16 Residential Properties) b) Private Garden Access c) Communal Garden Access d) Road Access e) Noise and disturbance resulting from use f) Regional and national transport/road policies g) Emergency Service Access h) Impact on my safety and security i) Restrictions of parking, loading and turning j) Disability access k) Smell l) Significant impact of resident parking <p>I would like to ask a few questions of the process.</p> <p>What other options were considered and dismissed? There is reference to this being legislated for. It therefore appears to me that this is about reaching targets at the cheapest possible price. I am aware of other systems nearby where the bins are underground which removes the risk of disease and vermin and is more efficient for noise pollution and the overall look of an area. Has this been considered at all? In paragraph 3.3 it states there is 'a lack of confidence in the communal collection system. What are the reasons for this and what measures were enacted to mitigate this lack of confidence other than the current proposal? There has been particular media coverage recently about the new system in operation in the Marchmont area with images of overflowing bins and a significant increase in the evidence of vermin. The council put this down to staff shortages as a result of the pandemic. While the pandemic was generally unforeseen, what plans are in place to mitigate a recurrence of the issue? I have been a private resident here for 12 years and every year since, also throughout the year I attend to my private garden and the communal gardens to the rear of the tenement building. As there is no other access to the gardens I need the through access of the tenement close for machinery to attend/maintain the trees and to keep this area in a well-kept, tidy and safe place to live. Without access I will no longer be able to do this safely, nor will the contractors that attend to the trees. Residents and I will also have health and safety concerns whilst move furniture, appliances, child prams, wheelchairs etc with the said proposal on the Terrace. As an avid bike enthusiast, I use this mode of transportation to get me around the city and I do store my bike on my private property to protect against theft and vandalism, which has occurred several times over the years. I have also plans to purchase an electric bike and am in the process of getting Electrical Quotes on a charge unit for this within my property, as stated if this goes ahead I will no longer have access from the street to gain access to my property to store my bike. This will have a significant impact on my well-established way of life that impacts my safety, security and mental wellbeing. What makes the proposer think that it's acceptable to have a significant glass collection point beside a residential home and the noise that this will produce at all times of the day and night affecting the quality of sleep and mental wellbeing on the residents, shift workers and children. This would appear entirely contrary to the statement in para 4.9 which asserts that "it will minimise disruption to residents and will improve the streetscape. Can you please provide a list of the numbers of residents and businesses who have previously objected to these proposals in this city and also the numbers of residents and businesses who have asked for this solution to be endorsed and invoked on their communities and businesses? Please consider this a Freedom of Information Act request and the constraints and timescales that the council are applicable. The document refers to asking for feedback via the Traffic Regulation process after the event is approved. The system is therefore flawed. What mechanism has been put in place for the proposers to consider and react to any relevant and constructive objection?</p> <p>Other points for consideration:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Road Junction within 10 metres of the proposed Bin Hub S4-52 2. Restricted pavement access under 2 metres from the proposed Bin Hub S4-52 	<p>S4-52 Gibson Terrace</p>
<p>I'd like to lodge a formal objection to TRO/21/25. Council and Scottish Government policies state that pedestrians should be at the very top of the transport hierarchy. This TRO does not promote that. Many of the proposed bin locations are near junctions and do not appear to provide sufficient setback from the corner radius's to allow pedestrians to cross the road safely</p>	<p>All S1, S2, S3 and S4 bin hubs</p>

<p>Yesterday I received an email via the New Town and Broughton Community Council regarding the bin hubs to be emplaced in the N1 parking zone. This was the first time I had seen details of the hub sites and I was alarmed to see that I had only 24 hours to meet your deadline of 3rd Dec for comments. As I have had very little time, I have not been able to visit the sites and make specific comments concerning each hub, however all the following are concerns that I urge you to consider.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.The impact of the bin clusters on visibility for pedestrians, cyclists and vehicle drivers. I continue to see examples of existing bins on double yellow lines at the ends of streets. This is, to me, presents as a dangerous situation. 2.Accessibility for residents carrying garbage bags, cardboard, food waste (are there trip hazards, steps, traffic?). 3.Access to man-holes, hydrants and in-road services. 4.The dangers presented by uncontained, fly-tipped waste around the bins (a regular occurrence around existing bin hubs). These dangers include: paper and cardboard blowing into, or being sucked into traffic by the slip-stream of passing vehicles, broken glass and dumped household items around the bins. I enclose Picture 1 as one of many recent examples of fly-tipping around bin hubs in the New Town. 5.Poor maintenance: I regularly see existing communal bins with broken or missing lids. Broken bins present a danger to the users and provide access for gulls and vermin, leading to further street debris. 6.Carelessness when emptying the bins: I have seen occasions where existing communal bins have been emptied but left in a dangerous position. Picture 2 shows a bin having been left at an angle, resting on some fly-tipped cardboard. I saw this bin wobble as a bus went past. 7.Loud noise pollution when emptying the glass bins. I suspect that some of the hubs are very close to residents' bedrooms, especially in lower/ground floor apartments. 8.The impact on traffic flow of having extra waste trucks in the roads. I note the council promises to empty bins every two days. As there are four types of rubbish, this means two trucks per day visiting each hub. 9.The visual appearance of the street-scapes, particularly where there are iconic buildings. 10.The loss of parking. <p>I am strongly opposed to the council's decision to emplace bin hubs across Edinburgh, especially in streets with iconic, heritage architecture. They are a magnet for fly-tippers, they get broken, dirty and abused by graffiti taggers. Like many residents, I see little wrong with the existing waste management system (gull-proof bags in my area), and the reasons given in support of the change seem very weak to me: the issues with the bin hubs described above far outweigh the benefits as I see it. I believe that, had the council consulted with stakeholders at an early stage, raised their concerns with the existing schemes in an open and honest manner, a far better, mutually acceptable, waste management process would have been discovered. I have repeatedly requested the council to put a hold on the bin hub roll-out and undertake a proper consultation process, with all stakeholders. I would like to repeat this request here.</p>	<p>All S1, S2, S3 and S4 bin hubs</p>
COMMENTS	LOCATION
<p>TRO/21/16 covers changes to waiting and parking restrictions across Zones N1 to N5 to allow for the installation of new communal bin hubs. Part of the Zone N1 falls within the area covered by the New Town and Broughton Community Council (NTBCC). We are therefore providing comments only on the streets within our area. These comments are shown below by proposed bin location</p> <p>N1-07 – Elm Row. This bin is located in an area that is being redesigned for the Trams to Newhaven project and will not be suitable once the work is complete. It is currently barriered off. We suggest that you contact Trams Team to discuss the correct location for this and other bin hubs that fall within the location covered by the Trams project.</p> <p>N1-24 - Broughton Road. Bin hub is located on opposite a bus stop adding to the congestion on this street, which is already narrow for the traffic including buses using it. It is suggested that an alternative location is used for the bin hub.</p> <p>N1-26 – Broughton Road. This bin hub is very close to a road junction reducing visibility and additional congestion. Has any road safety assessment been undertaken of this and other bin locations close to junctions to confirm their suitability?</p> <p>N1 – 29/32 –Broughton Road. These two bin locations are directly opposite on the roadway creating a significant pinch point which will add to congestion on this busy road that will adversely affect the flow of traffic including buses. Has any traffic management assessment been undertaken to justify this configuration of bins especially on busy arterial routes?</p> <p>N1 – 32/33/34 – Broughton Road. These bins appear to be much closer together than the parameters issued by the Council would require. Again the presence of these three large bin hubs on the same side of the road in close proximity will adversely affect traffic flows including for buses. Has any traffic management assessment been undertaken to justify this configuration of bins especially on busy arterial routes?</p> <p>N1 – 45 Bellevue Terrace. This bin location is on the side of the road beside the homes it is intended to serve but it is in an extremely exposed site and on a slight camber. There have been reports of bins being blown across the road into parked vehicles. It is suggested that the bin hub be moved to the other side of the road besides the railings, which would be more secure and reduce the nuisance caused to residents. Given that there is very little traffic on this side street we do not consider that this change would add significantly to the risks for people disposing of their rubbish.</p> <p>N1- 46/47 – Melgund Terrace. These two bin locations are directly opposite on this street creating additional restrictions for traffic. It is also surprising that that two bin hubs are required on such a small street. As a result there will now be 12 bins where there are currently 4. Are the two hubs being provided due to demand or to satisfy the parameter that residents should not have to cross the road to dispose of their rubbish? If the latter, it is suggested that residents on this street and others where the same issue is driving the provision should be contacted directly to get their opinions on whether this is in excess of their needs</p> <p>N1 – 98 Rodney Street. The bin hub is located in a segregated cycle path installed under the Spaces for People team and currently being considered for an ETRO under the Travelling Safely programme. We suggest that you contact Active Travel Team to discuss the correct location for this and other bin hubs that may be located in the current and proposed cycle paths</p>	<p>N1 - Various locations</p>
<p>I have been looking at your maps on the bin hubs website for Broughton/Inverleith etc - existing and proposed - and they appear to be identical. They do not indicate where the bin hubs are to go at all. Also, since they have no 'legend' to help interpret what is meant by the colour markings, they are fairly meaningless. Please advise.</p>	<p>All locations</p>
<p>First may I say that I'm very happy to see that the current bin scheme is being continued. I feel that this is a very strong and positive aspects of living in this part of Edinburgh. Not having to worry about bin collection days, or storage of bins in between, definitely improves quality of life. For Tile 1275 it's hard to understand why the new bin locations are adjacent to the flats when they could be located adjacent to the bowling green. Locating them by the bowling green would be of benefit to parents with small children or those with mobility issues having to exit and enter or load or unload private vehicles. There would also be a small added advantage in slightly reduced noise during emptying of the bins.</p>	<p>N3-07 Comely Bank Terrace N3-06</p>
<p>I am writing on behalf of my constituents, Mr & Mrs Bowman, who live at 102B Whitehouse Loan immediately next to the location of a black general waste bin on Greenhill Terrace. Their house is at the rear of the 102 Whitehouse Loan and looks out onto Greenhill Terrace. They are concerned about the possible siting of a bin hub next to their property as a bin hub notice has been posted on a lamp post outside their bedroom window.</p> <p>TRO/21/25 shows a reduction in the parking bay and replacement with a yellow line on Greenhill Terrace immediately outside their bedroom window. Mr & Mrs Bowman have submitted objections to the TRO/21/25. The purpose of my writing is to seek an explanation of what is proposed. Please can you explain your plans for the location of bins in this area? There are currently two DMR bins, a food waste bin and bottle bin at the south west end of Thirlestane Road and a black general waste bin outside 109 Whitehouse Loan, as well as the single general waste bin on Greenhill Terrace, as noted above. Do you plan to create a bin hub at the south west end of Thirlestane Road? Do you also plan to create a bin hub on Greenhill Terrace? If so, will this include a bottle bin, a food waste bin and two DMR bins, as well as the general waste bin? Have you considered simply relocating the black general waste bins, currently outside 109 and 102B Whitehouse Loan, with the other bins at the south west end of Thirlestane Road? Alternatively, there is a commercial property on the southern side of Greenhill Terrace, opposite the Bowman's house (W. Purves Funeral Directors), and there is space to locate bins there instead. If your proposal is to create a bin hub directly outside the Bowman's house, it would significantly impact on their peace and quiet and enjoyment of their property. They have 3 bedrooms, a living room and a study looking on to the street.</p>	<p>S2-31 Greenhill Terrace</p>

<p>Our home has no connection whatsoever to either block of flats and we have no use for the line of bins as ours is a private residence. Regarding the 60 meter distance, why shouldn't the bins be located just past the beginning of Greenhill Terrace directly beside the Whitehouse Court flats and well within the walking distance set out for the users at Greenhill Court?</p>	S2-31 Greenhill Terrace
<p>I have been looking at the new bin hub maps for the Millar Crescent and Millar Place areas of Morningside. I have a question. At present there are about 8 communal bins at the south end of Millar Place. These are used particularly by residents of 35 Millar Crescent and 6 Millar Place. These are not shown on the map. Does this mean that they will be removed and not replaced</p>	S2-42/43 Millar Place
COMMENTS SUBMITTED LATE	LOCATION
<p>I have just been alerted to the above proposal by a neighbour. Having now viewed the proposed location of the communal bin, on McDonald road, specifically the group of bins located outside 81/83/85 McDonald Road, I wish to lodge my objection, on the following grounds:</p> <p>Location is detrimental to our family's health and well-being. Current proposals intend to house 6 bins directly outside our property. I have absolutely no desire to live beside a bin! It's depressing.</p> <p>Loss of vital Parking Spaces</p> <p>Parking is already extremely difficult on McDonald Road. New flats have already gone up in recent times, increasing the pressure on existing spaces. Residents, already struggling, will be unable to park on McDonald Road.</p> <p>Location is dangerous as it is directly next to a traffic calming measure</p> <p>The proposed location will impair visibility for drivers trying to park/drive off. It will also block pedestrian's view of on-coming traffic, when attempting to cross. This is even more dangerous when one considers the number of young children in the area, walking to/from schools or going to play in the park.</p> <p>Having a stationary bin lorry at this particular point, will also block the flow of traffic, causing unnecessary delays.</p> <p>Increase in noise and air pollution.</p> <p><u>Having bins directly outside our flat will undo</u></p>	N1-04 McDonald Road
<p>1. The bin proposal will be in proximity to the traffic calming measures already in place and will significantly impact on pedestrian and road users safety especially when being emptied. Given the road is narrower at this point, a lorry emptying bins will be another obstacle for pedestrians and road users and presents a major safety concern.</p> <p>2. The proposed bins location will also further reduce parking on this side of the street and be an obstacle for the disabled parking space that will be left.</p> <p>3. The environmental impact of putting these bins outside the front doors of 81-85 McDonald Road- this will increase litter, noise and smell on the tenements in proximity.</p> <p>There are plenty of other areas these bins could be located and further investigations would provide a much better outcome than the current proposal. Perhaps a revisiting of the street with a view to the safety and environmental concerns raised here would be both beneficial for residents and the council.</p>	N1-04 McDonald Road
<p>Though the initial query is about the position of bin hub N1-04 my query was over the organisation of the whole bay at this section of McDonald Road. At present there are two permit parking spaces, a disabled bay and a couple of bins. The new bin hub will essentially do away with the two permit bays, leave the disabled bay as is but also leave a dead area beyond the disabled bay which will be protected by a single yellow line. That space is where the existing bins have sat. My query is could some reorganisation of the total bay manage to achieve a solution that loses the dead space, keeps a disabled bay, accommodates the bin hub and maintains one permit parking space?</p> <p>Although traffic orders have bounced this over to you I wonder if there needs to be dialogue with them to see if one of the permit bays can be kept?</p>	N1-04 McDonald Road
<p>Many thanks, once again for the e.mail you sent me in December last year. Please accept my apologies for the late reply , which was due to a period of ill health.</p> <p>Your e.mail offered me the chance to voice an opinion on the proposed Bin Hubs for certain areas of Edinburgh.</p> <p>It looks like this project is well on It's way, so there is probably very little I can say at this stage. However I think that there might be points relevant to the street I live in.</p> <p>Bellevue Road is in an unusual situation. Not unique in Edinburgh, but unusual in that it is made up of two types of housing. On one side are tenements and the other is villa type housing. On reading many council documents over the last 20 years I'd say that communal bins are aimed at tenement dwellers. I've tried in the past (in vain) to have this verified by councillors, but reading the document you kindly attached to your e.mail it looks like it is verified.</p> <p>If this is indeed the case, and the Bin Hubs are installed, it is absolutely VITAL that the NON TENEMENT dwellers are made aware of this and it should be pointed out that using these bins, both landfill and recycling amounts to fly tipping. Non tenement residents include Bellevue Road , McDonald Place, Annandale Street and West Annandale Street.</p> <p>Non tenement dwellers use the current bins on a daily basis and are probably the worst offenders for household items at the side of the bins hoping the Bin Men will uplift it.</p> <p>If the above is not correct and the bins are to be free for all, then please put some of them on the other side of the street.</p> <p>I don't know if It's a council officials task to inform citizens, or is it councillors ?, so I've copied the relevant councillors in.</p> <p>I wonder if during the consultation, was the financial aspect of the installation of Bin Hubs taken into account. For example, what was once perhaps a fairly desirable city centre residence could now have a complete eyesore on It's doorstep, which has to reduce the selling price. Was consideration given to altering the rateable values of houses in close proximity to Bin Hubs due to severe lack of amenity ?</p> <p>If the project does go ahead in Bellevue Road the best positions for Hubs is at either ends of the street and in the middle on the corners of Bellevue Road and Annandale street, where there would be much less of an eyesore</p>	N1-15 - Bellevue Road
<p>At the moment the main bin/recycling hub is across from #1 Eildon street on the southside. When the recycling hubs were first brought in a few years ago now, the green and purple bins were actually placed on the northside. It did cause some problems with creating blindspots for drivers however the main issue you won't be aware of is that the top part of the street becomes a wind tunnel in blustery weather. Within a few days of arriving the bins blew over onto the sidewalk. Luckily not hitting anyone but the glass bin smashed its contents everywhere. Myself and some neighbours righted them and I cleared the glass best I could. However over the next 2 weeks this happened 3-4 more times, including one of the local dogs being injured with glass in paws as everytime they fell the glass bin shattered its contents across the pavement. Myself and some neighbours then pushed the bins across to the southside as we felt this couldn't continue and someone would get seriously hurt. I did email CEC to explain why this had been done but never had a reply. I also made a large sign on the bins to explain to the binmen why they had been moved, and one day managed to speak to them about it - they were fine with the new location as they hadn't realised they were regularly blowing over.</p> <p>I just wanted to let you know about this safety concern as you won't be aware of the wind issue at the top of the street that we get on the northside. The bins are sheltered from it on the southside by the building on inverleth row. We were lucky no bin ever hit a person on the pavement or caused more glass injury, especially as a number of young children live at this end of the street. I do hope you will consider this when placing the new hubs (again, this is just in regards to hub at #1 Eildon Street).</p>	N2-15 Eildon Street

<p>I'm not sure if this has been put forward, (perhaps it has by another individual) however it would seem the location (as attached) being a possible option would make more sense, certainly from a hygiene and safety point of view.</p> <p>My concern at present is that the location you currently propose sits right at the door of a communal stair, which as per my previous email is the underlying issue for mice, and causes case for items restricting access to the door. Some of the items left in the last 3 months, have not only obstructed access to the block but have been far from safe. Large Wardrobes, Washing machines just a few items that have been dumped here. We have even seen a chest of drawers nearly 6ft in height..</p> <p>The attached images, clearly present a possible location for the planned (hub). The advantage of this location, is that it does not sit in front of anyone's door, sole or communal, nor does it restrict access in any way from a residential perspective, which in truth is the most important aspect of all of this.</p> <p>Seemingly your team currently believe that the the location attached, is suitable for the placement of communal bins, especially given that there are the same number of bins located here as at number 6.</p> <p>I would ask that you strongly consider this proposal. I can promise you, as an owner of one of these flats, the current set up outside number 6 is not viable and must be reconsidered fully, due to the many issues we are seeing.</p> <p>I would reiterate that the residential aspect here should be the key consideration as I believe many other residents in other areas face similar issue to that of ours. My proposal would correct this for Horne Terrace and in doing so would not effect other residents negatively at all.</p> <p>The distance is the same, placement is on street not pavement and the option is there for as many bins as required in line with parking.</p> <p>Can I ask you, with regards placement of the hub at number 6, would installation consider proximity of the bins to the main door. The largest issue stems from how close the current bins are to the door.</p> <p>Would it be so that the the general waste bins could positioned furthest away from the main door, i.e between 5&6 away from both doors?</p> <p>I attach an image of another possible location, I believe this to be council owned space and so perhaps possible for alteration.</p> <p>I understand bins could not be placed on the road, though there is plenty of space for the hub/bins to be 'housed' and safely as well.</p> <p>Let me know if this can be considered.</p>	<p>S3-12 Horne Terrace</p>
<p>Opposite number 8, Mardale Crescent, EH10, is a set of six regularly used and emptied recycling bins. They cope admirably with the needs of the street. Although they do not appear on the council's interactive map, on the rare occasions, such as New Year, that I alert the council because they are full, they are then quickly emptied. Why then, are you siting a set of six bins outside 28, Mardale Crescent, EH10 5AG? The street only has houses on one side and the recycling provision is more than adequate. Householders also have the option of recycling bottles and soft plastic at the local Tesco at Holy Corner, easily within walking distance, and the extra set of bins seems an astounding waste of money which can only encourage fly tipping.</p> <p>Your environmental policy seems to have been delivered without local knowledge of any sort. I was reminded of my quest for a bike hangar. The council map had chopped off the end of Mardale Crescent, was out of date as regards parking spaces, and the officer in charge had not seen the streets in question so didn't realise there are only houses on one side, the other side is the car park of Napier University. The footfall is so low, that an additional recycling hub is simply unnecessary. The householders in my tenement have all lodged complaints and concerns about the proposed hub, but the council seems unable to listen. Please would you reconsider the 'one size fits all' approach, and be sympathetic to the differing needs of different areas? This is the moment for our councillors to be acting for residents, not against them.</p>	<p>S3-15 Mardale Crescent</p>

Dear Councillor Johnston

Many thanks for your acknowledgement of my last email and thank you for forwarding on my query about the planned location of a bin hub over the entire frontage of our ground floor flat in Fowler Terrace. Again, I must say at the outset that I believe recycling rates should increase (and as a household, we already recycle over 70% of our waste). We also currently live with a black wheelie landfill bin outside our home and probably would not have been too concerned with some of the black wheelie bins being replaced with mixed recycling bins and perhaps additional food/glass points on nearby more neutrally sited recycling areas, not immediately outside people's homes. I am raising some additional queries/points because I have now spoken to several neighbours, carried out more research and I have also raised the issue with our local North Merchiston Community Council. It was interesting to hear that the Community Council members and my neighbours were mostly unaware about the details of the Communal Bin Review (CBR) project and what it will mean for, not only my own household, but for most communities across Edinburgh where there are tenements or other terraced flats. This indicates that the City of Edinburgh's (CEC) communication/stakeholder engagement has, to date, been wholly inadequate. I have since found out that any 'engagement' events that were held prior to the end of 2021, were mostly advertised via social media which disenfranchises many citizens, especially older residents or those who cannot access technology/social media. I understand that since waste collection is a statutory duty there strictly no legal requirement to even inform us of what is happening, but it is best practise. No leaflets or letters, prior to approval of the proposals, were sent to us informing us about these changes, how to offer feedback, comment or raise concerns. Any neighbours I have spoken to only saw (as I did) a single small poster saying new bin hubs were on their way but no hint or indication of the scale of the changes. Here is a quote from a very recent leaflet (which Cllr Adam McVey posted to his Twitter feed- I now check social media, even though I am not a big user!). The leaflet I believe is designed for areas where the hubs are currently being rolled out (Leith, Pilrig etc) – we certainly have not received them yet, since the roll-out here is scheduled for summer 2022 onwards. "We're creating designated bin hubs to keep communal bins neatly and safely in one location on your street, or a nearby street. Each hub will have a range of recycling bins. There'll be bins for mixed recycling, food recycling, and glass. There'll also be bins for any waste that can't be recycled" This is not true – according to the plans for the Communal Bin Review, the bin hubs will be in multiple locations on most streets, not one and they will be directly situated outside people's homes. Existing recycling points will disappear entirely and be replaced with the new bin hubs. Most of these bin hubs will comprise of 2 x landfill wheelie bins (1,280 ltr each), 2 x mixed recycling wheelie bins (1,280 ltr each), 1 x glass recycling bin and 1 x food bin. The food bins will be bolted to the ground. The new hubs will sit on roadsides directly outside people's homes and, I understand, will either be up to 8 concentrated bin hubs, sitting directly outside homes, it raises different hygiene, safety, noise, and pest control issues from the current communal bin arrangements. The rolling out of the hubs will also reduce much needed parking spaces (for permit holders and others) who need to use cars. I have several queries: Planning Process o The communal bin hub information (www.edinburgh.gov.uk/communalbinreview) suggests that the council has permitted development rights in relation to the creation of the recycling hubs. However, considering potential environmental impact to those directly affected, why was the planning process not used, as it would have given affected residents the opportunity to be consulted at the outset. o The proposals only seem to address the benefits of having more local recycling facilities – why does nothing seem to have been done to address local amenity and potential nuisance issues? o Since the planning process was not used, why were those directly affected by the proposal (those who will have bins located outside their homes/front door) not directly consulted? o What are the rights of appeal if you feel that you have been disadvantaged by the implementation of the scheme in the absence of a planning process? o Was the Environmental Health department of Edinburgh City Council consulted on the proposal? If so, what was their response? If not, why not? Noise o Was a noise risk assessment carried out at each proposed location to assess additional nuisance and amenity noise disturbance to residents? Was this carried out to BS4142 standards did this include :- The use of the bins i.e. opening and closing the lids by users of the facilities those users having to take more time recycling over a different range of bins, more users/footfall per hub (serving 50-55 households each). Dumping waste in the bins with particularly high noise impact items such as glass. What mitigation measures are in place to reduce this type of noise? Emptying the bins and the noise impact from the waste collection vehicle particularly engine noise, reversing beepers, and sudden percussive noise caused by emptying the bins and returning them to the street. Proposed time limits on the use and emptying of the bins to protect the amenity of residents from night-time noise disturbance i.e not to be used after 9pm at night or before 7am in the morning. If so, how is this going to be controlled? What times are the proposed for the collection of the waste every other day/every 2 days? Is this going to be limited to normal business hours? If not has a suitable noise impact assessment been prepared? Particularly, if it is intended that collection will take place outside normal working hours. Pest Control o Have suitable pest control plans been prepared for the bin hub sites. Did these include: an assessment of the existing population of pest species specific to each area. :- i.e., Rats, mice, gulls, pigeons, corvids, or starlings. an assessment of local roosts and nests and potential for an increase in pest species at sites? A proactive, preventative pest control plan for each site? General Hygiene Issues o Is there a hygiene plan for the bins ? How often will they be cleansed and disinfected particularly during the summer months. o Will this be carried out at sufficient frequency and with sufficient rigour to prevent the development of a. maggots, b. common flies and c. blue bottle and green bottle o How will the outside of the bins be kept clean and free from graffiti? o What is the maintenance and inspection regime? E.g. replacement of aperture lids etc o How will spillages be dealt with in relation to general litter, food waste (esp. raw meat), glass and potentially contaminated sharps and dressings? o Is there going to be additional, dedicated helplines for these issues and what is a timescale for response (at present there seems to just be a portal for overflowing bin reporting) o How are pets, such as cats and dogs, going to be protected from potential spillages of harmful materials from the bin areas. o How will odour issues be dealt with? General Safety o The Communal Bin Hub information indicate that most of the bins will be wheeled. What are the contingencies of them being wheeled out of place? By severe weather (eg: storms/gales), vandalism or road traffic accidents. o Has consideration/contingency been considered if fly tipping or spillages obstruct pedestrian pathways, diverting them into the road to bypass rubbish/spillages in front of hubs? o If children/teens play in and around the bins – has any mitigation been put in place to prevent injury? Other Issues o Were other measures or concepts considered first? All four focus groups in a Changeworks survey of 2018 (one of the inputs to the Communal Bin Review) drew attention to more and improved communications and making existing bins cleaner and better maintained – but no (or very little) action seems to have been taken on these points. o Was a concurrent concept not considered to run alongside that in Albert Street? Not every Edinburgh Street with tenement/flats looks like Albert Street which has a generally broad thoroughfare, and few, if any, tenements with gardens at the front, and main doors. o Why was a response rate of only 10% in the customer satisfaction survey for the Albert Street concept considered adequate? Perhaps the low response rate was lack of motivation, communication, apathy, or cynicism about whether you would be listened to. Based on last census, Albert Street had a home ownership of around 30%, so perhaps there was not much vested interest for renting residents in replying. o Will CEC financially compensate residents who must pay for mitigation measures to reduce noise, eyesore impact, pest control etc. Finally, CEC has called this an 'enhancement' of streetscape but attached is how the recycling bins tend to look after, sometimes only a few months 'use. These bins (recent photos near our home) received new lids within the last six to nine months and already the aperture lids are broken/missing and they are covered in dirt and grime (and this is only one not six in a row!) I shall be raising this issue with my MSP/MP and continue to keep our community council updated.

Regards.

54-65/54-66 Fowler Terrace

SUPPORT COMMENTS

LOCATION

I have learnt of your plans to upgrade bin facilities in our area – I have lived in this area for 15 years. Having reviewed the plans, most of the proposed sites seem sensible and inoffensive. The site N1-58 immediately outside of our own block at 67 Brunswick Street seems sensible, despite losing a parking place it will tidy up the current bin area. I don't understand why N1-56 is not located nearer the kerb, in a space that is currently redundant. Surely this needs to be moved, to save a parking space? However, there is one position that feels really misjudged and highly problematic. I strongly and formally object to the proposed location of bin hub N1-61 on Montgomery Street. This proposed hub will adversely affect both the safety and character of our neighbourhood around this area. This proposed hub (N1-61) – positioned outside 72-76 Montgomery Street – will add to an already congested area where there are 3 junctions all very close together. The proposed position is right next to Brunswick Street Lane and will reduce visibility for the vehicles moving in and out of this space. Already there are bollards and very few places where emergency, delivery, taxis or other vehicles can pull in safely to enable drop-offs or to attend to emergencies. Furthermore the proposed bins are positioned over a street drain in an area that is already susceptible to flooding - which will only be exacerbated by the physical bins and any overspilling rubies. Additionally, and importantly, the proposed hub is in an area of the neighbourhood that has a strong communal feel – with a pretty café that draws people together. It is a natural and currently attractive gathering place for the neighbourhood. It would be such a shame to make this more congested by the bins which will negatively impact the visual ambience of this area. I am strongly requesting that you move this proposed bin hub to a different location.

N1-58 - Brunswick Street

<p>Thank you for your notice about the new recycling hub waste arrangements for our street, nos. 11 to 19 Learmonth Gardens. As a local resident and public health specialist I am supportive of your proposal provided that the recycling arrangements are managed well. For our part of the street, we have small front gardens which are actively used by residents. The existing bin outside number 15 LG is an environmental hazard and it is helpful that it is being moved. The existing arrangement generates air and noise pollution. The bin is an environmental hazard with many dog walkers throwing dog faeces in and sometimes around the bin. I have to spray disinfectant on the bin so that I can sit in my front garden. I live at number 16. My 91 year old neighbour at number 14 is not always able to sit in her front garden given that the smell from the bin makes her feel nauseous. Ownership of Learmonth Gardens Lane - avoiding future issues. I own Learmonth Gardens Lane with my husband. The new hubs are being located almost at the entrance of our private lane. Unfortunately, bins attract other forms of dumping such that excess cardboard and glass as well as furniture, Xmas trees etc. tend to be dumped beside already full bins. Can you please provide an urgent number and email that we can contact where there is any waste, or glass dumped that migrates to the entrance of or into our lane? It would be best that this is not general public contact information as an urgent response will be required. Being over 60, we are not in a position to remove hazards. Please take this email as confirmation that if any issues arises, such as a RTA in the entrance area of the lane, or in the lane, or a trip linked to rubbish dumped in the lane, or an accident by someone using the recycling hub making use of our lane as a route etc. , that we will hold you liable for any issue arising. We have only had a single incident involving dumping in the lane in the 30 years we have lived here. I am also not aware of any accidents, or health and safety issues arising for local residents in this timescale. Please ensure that your waste management vehicles and recycling vehicles do not obstruct the entrance to our lane, or use the lane to collect materials, or reverse into the lane potentially damaging our signs. Please ask your teams to remove any materials dumped outside of your containers on an ongoing basis. Please let us know how you are communicating the above with your bin teams.</p>	<p>N3-33 Learmonth Gardens</p>
<p>I wish to make a formal complaint regarding the proposal to place two landfill bins ,two recycling bins ,one glass recycling bin and one food recycling bin outside no 4 and 5 Learmonth Gardens. At the present moment there is one landfill bin . Other recycling bins are on the corner of Comely Bank Avenue and Learmonth Gardens where the pavement was widened to house the bins. These bins are not on people's doorstep. This system has worked well without being intrusive. Your proposed plan is highly intrusive to the people who will have the recycling hub on their doorstep. The noise from the glass recycling bin is a noise nuisance on its on. People have a right to live peacefully within the home .I would suggest your proposal of placing a recycling hub outside the front door of people's homes goes against this and does not help with the health and well-being of these citizens and neighbours. Your proposal also does nothing to enhance the look of the street. I strongly suggest you review your proposal and place the hub in an area which is not intrusive to the residents. I would suggest we use the hub at the top of Learmonth Place which is being place against a wall at the side of buildings and not on someone's doorstep. I am hopeful you put the health and wellbeing of the citizens of Edinburgh first and also hopeful that you listen to your citizens.</p>	<p>N3-33 Learmonth Gardens</p>