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Liberal Democrat Campaigners for Marylebone



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Dear friends,

Oxford Street Pedestrianisation - An Opportunity for You to Have Your Say

Our recent Marylebone survey raised many questions regarding the Labour Mayor's proposal to pedestrianise Oxford Street.

The Mayor says residents have been consulted and almost everyone wants it. But many of those consulted were not Marylebone residents, many are not even from London. Would they recommend the pedestrianisation of their own high streets?

Concerns of residents identified by our survey revolve around the redirection of buses, taxis and bikes limiting or blocking access to neighbourhood streets, the risks to pedestrian safety, deteriorating air quality and noise pollution, and attraction of criminal elements.

A few weeks ago, Westminster City Council unilaterally gave Oxford Street away to the Oxford Street Development Corporation without any debate – residents had no say in this decision. The Development Corporation now has full control over its future with powers over planning, compulsory purchase orders, and business rates.

Residents will no longer have the capacity to make their views known through their councillors. Additionally, via their council tax, residents will be contributing to the funding to the Oxford Street Development Corporation. It will have a staff of over 50 and the Chief Executive's will earn over £200,000. As the battle-cry goes "No taxation without representation".

Westminster Liberal Democrats believe the residents of Marylebone have not had an opportunity to make their views known, nor are they going to have that opportunity in the future. Marylebone is a wonderful place to live, and we want to keep it this way.

You can help us achieve this by completing the survey below either in writing and returning it to the Freepost address or online using the QR code.

We thank you for taking the time to complete the survey and commit to letting you know the results as soon as we can.

With best wishes,

Martin, Helen & Alistair

Martin Kersh, Helen Toeman & Alistair Barr

Your local Liberal Democrat campaigners for Marylebone - working hard all year round



Marylebone Residents Must Have Their Say

Q1. Did you respond to the Mayor's consultation?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

Q2. If yes did you state you were you in favour or against the proposal?

- ☐ In favour ☐ Against

Q3. Have you been adequately consulted on the proposal to pedestrianise Oxford Street?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

Q4. Do you feel the pedestrianisation of Oxford Street is a threat to your lifestyle?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

Q5. Did you attend the Mayor's This is Oxford Street event on 21 September when it was closed for one day?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

Q6. If yes did it make you feel more or less in favour of the proposal?

- ☐ More ☐ No Difference ☐ Less

Q7. Which of the following are you most concerned about when thinking about the pedestrianisation of Oxford Street?

- ☐ Street crime ☐ Burglary
☐ Shop theft ☐ Anti-social behaviour
☐ Litter and mess ☐ Air quality
☐ Traffic ☐ Pedestrian safety
☐ Safety of children walking on their own to school
☐ Quality of living
☐ Quietness of your neighbourhood
☐ Overall happiness of living where you live

Q8. Please write in here any other ways in which you feel your life will be impacted by the pedestrianisation proposals.

Q9. Please write in here any other comments you have on the pedestrianisation project, the Mayor Development Corporation, the behaviour of the council, This is Oxford Street event.

THANK YOU FOR FILLING IN THIS SURVEY

To send this survey back please place the freepost address below in to a window envelope or copy the address onto an envelope. No stamp is necessary but attaching a stamp saves us the cost of delivery.

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Q8. If a referendum were held tomorrow would you vote in favour or against the Oxford Street pedestrianisation Project?

- ☐ For ☐ Against

Q9. Which party do you usually support at local council elections?

- ☐ Liberal Democrats ☐ Conservative
☐ Labour ☐ Green Party
☐ Reform ☐ Don't vote