

**North Street Project  
Quadrant/ Clock Tower Junction Consultation December 2008**

In December 2008, questionnaires and copies of scheme proposal drawings were sent to **258** addresses in the North Street **Quadrant** area with a covering letter inviting people to attend an exhibition to see proposals for environmental and road safety enhancements for the Quadrant/ Clock Tower area of North Street.

An exhibition showing plans for proposed improvements took place in Brighton Town Hall for a period of **6** days during the consultation period (both staffed and unstaffed) and questionnaires were available for people to complete and return to us using a freepost address.

The questionnaires asked 7 questions about whether people supported proposals for environmental improvements, improvements to pedestrian crossings and allowing a right turn for cyclists at the clock tower.

30 completed questionnaires were received (11.6%). A typical response to an unsolicited mailing could be as low as 6% so 11.6% is an acceptable response rate.

**Question 1** asked do you support **Landscaping the Quadrant/ Clock Tower public space to create a high quality meeting place and resting space, whilst allowing for through movement of pedestrians?**

***Results:***

	<b>No.</b>	<b>%</b>
Yes	22	73
No	6	20
No reply	2	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>100</b>

**Question 2** asked do you support **Creating two tiers of seating and a social space on the lower level around the Clock Tower?**

***Results:***

	<b>No.</b>	<b>%</b>
Yes	22	73.5
No	7	23.5
No reply	1	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>100</b>

**Question 3** asked do you support **Tree planting to create a more attractive environment and to provide shade for the seating area?**

**Results:**

	<b>No.</b>	<b>%</b>
Yes	26	87
No	4	13
<b>Total</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>100</b>

**Question 4** asked do you support **Making the Quadrant more accessible to pedestrians with mobility difficulties and push chair users by providing a better route with a shallower slope?**

**Results:**

	<b>No.</b>	<b>%</b>
Yes	26	87
No	1	3
No reply	3	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>100</b>

**Question 5** asked do you support **Improving existing pedestrian crossings at the Clock Tower junction and introduce new crossings making it easier and safer for people to cross the road at this junction?**

**Results:**

	<b>No.</b>	<b>%</b>
Yes	30	100
No	0	0
No reply	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>100</b>

**Question 6** asked do you support **Permitting right turns for cyclists from Queens Road into North Street to provide a more direct and convenient route.**

**Results:**

	<b>No.</b>	<b>%</b>
Yes	24	80
No	4	13
No reply	2	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>100</b>

**Question 7** asked do you support **Improvements to the lighting at the Quadrant to enhance the ambience in the evening?**

**Results:**

	<b>No.</b>	<b>%</b>
Yes	27	90
No	2	7

No reply	1	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>100</b>

There was also a space for additional comments and these can be categorised as follows:

### Cycling

- 2 x Wants to see reinstatement of use of the Quadrant for cyclists as using the junction is dangerous
- Allowing cyclists to use the junction is dangerous
- 2 x comments that the city is supposed to be cycle friendly so we should do more for cyclists
- Really happy about including access for cyclists
- It is important to take cyclists views seriously
- all turns at this junction need to be possible for cyclists to enable hill mobility
- Why allow cars and taxis in this area at all.
- Ban cyclists as you have cars
- Cyclists often ignore red lights which is dangerous for pedestrians
- 2 x The left hand turn from North St to Queens Rd is too tight a bend for cyclists
- Worried about the cyclist **right** turn from **Queens Road to North Street** as dangerous
- Please keep cyclists away from pedestrians

### Street Furniture

- Railings should match the existing, no stainless steel
- 2 x This is not a relaxing place in the middle of a busy junction and will lead to problems at weekends
- Rationalise use of the guard rail
- Don't want square planters
- 2 x Although proposed railings are more attractive – please consider dispensing with altogether as in Paris

### General

- Have a 20 mph speed limit in all urban areas
- Pedestrian crossings should follow desire lines
- **South East** corner is **very** difficult for turning buses – no improvement is planned for this
- It was better when you could look across a road to see a traffic light telling you when to cross
- Don't want I turn into **North Street** for traffic to **Dyke Road** and **Upper North Street**

