

We welcome the Bath Labour Party's statement on the pedestrianisation of the central area of Bath and improving public transport. This is entirely in line with the approved Council policies to reduce traffic, especially in the historic core, and to give priority to pedestrians, cyclists and public transport - as set out in the Placemaking Plan, the Bath Transport Strategy and the Public Realm and Movement Strategy. All too little has been done to date to implement these policies.

However, the commitment set out by Labour is simply to *consult* on pedestrianisation. If the Party was elected to office, that would hardly amount to a ringing mandate to make the changes that are necessary. Would it not be better if pedestrianisation was included as a firm commitment in the Party's election Manifesto? Let the election be the consultation!

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