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Dear Mr McNaney

**Donegall Place Enabling Measures
Traffic Regulation Orders - Queen Street, Upper Queen Street and Castle Street**

As you will be aware, the Department for Social Development are progressing with their Streets Ahead programme for Belfast City Centre. The current proposals for Donegall Place include the removal of all northbound traffic. Roads Service has appointed Consultants Arup to develop proposals to facilitate this DSD programme which will have implications on general traffic movements in the city centre and will involve the re-routing of some bus services and alterations to existing traffic movements in a number of surrounding streets..

We are currently at an early stage in developing proposals for Queen Street, Upper Queen Street and Castle Street. Further streets will be affected and details will follow in due course.

A number of Traffic Regulation Orders (TRO's) will be required to facilitate the necessary alterations to traffic arrangements. As part of the initial consultation process we have recently contacted all of the frontages along these streets to inform them of key stages in the TRO process and the opportunity they will have to comment on the proposals. I have enclosed a copy of the letter which was recently distributed for your information.

As part of our ongoing consultation we would also like to make local Councillors aware of our proposals. I am advised that you might be able to help us with this by bringing it to the attention of the relevant local Councillors.

A copy of the draft proposals is attached for information and I would be grateful if you could forward copies to the appropriate Councillors. Please be aware that this is a preliminary plan and is subject to change following this informal consultation process. We would be happy to receive any feedback the Council or the Councillors may have on these initial proposals.

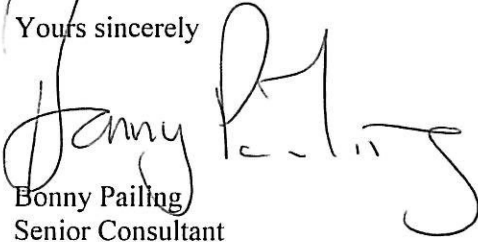
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The Council will have further opportunity to comment on the final plans through the formal legislative process.

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your time and assistance with this matter.

Yours sincerely



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cc Heather Bradley, Roads Service