Response by Bristol Walking Alliance to the Consultation on Moving Traffic Enforcement Powers



Bristol Walking Alliance (BWA) fully supports the proposal for Bristol City Council to acquire powers to enforce moving traffic offences at six initial sites. We hope this will also lead in the future to enforcement at other sites where there is a danger to pedestrians from vehicles committing moving traffic offences.

Six sites are proposed for initial enforcement:

- Hockey's Lane and Fishponds Road junction, Fishponds (signal-controlled junction)
- King Georges Road and Queens Road junction, Withywood (signal-controlled junction)
- Lower Redland Road between Elgin Park and Exeter Buildings, Redland (one way)
- Furber Road between Raeburn Road and St Anne's Road, St George (one-way)
- Bath Bridge Roundabout and Cattle Market Road junction (signal-controlled junction)
- Hareclive Road and Anton Bantock Way junction, Withywood (signal-controlled junction)

We strongly agree that enforcing moving traffic offences at all of these sites will make them safer for road users, and particularly for pedestrians. For signal-controlled junctions, turn restrictions need to be enforced to allow pedestrians to more safely cross the road at the junction. On one-way streets, vehicles going the wrong way offer a particular hazard to pedestrians trying to cross the road.

With the pressure on enforcement teams within the council, it makes sense to introduce video camera enforcement. Vehicle drivers should expect to be fined for making illegal movements at any time, not just when enforcement officers are present.

Further suggested enforcement sites

The consultation requests suggestions for other sites that might require enforcement of moving traffic offences in the future. Here are some initial suggestions:

- East Street, Bedminster enforcement of pedestrian zone, 7am to 7pm
- Cambridge Street, Totterdown no entry towards Wells Road, 7am to 10am
- Windmill Hill no entry from Hereford Street / Whitehouse Lane except for access
- Dean Street, Bedminster no entry onto East Street
- East Street, Bedminster no right turn exiting onto Dalby Avenue
- Grove Road, Redland no entry southward before Elm Lane