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Dear Mrs Gordon,

PROPOSED RESTRICTION OF PARK & RIDE SITE OPENING HOURS

This email letter is a formal objection to the proposed changes.

We object for the following reasons:

1. We do not accept that P&R opening hours should depend on the availability of P&R buses. We would like to see greater encouragement for park and cycle, using both cycles brought to the P&R sites by car and cycles stored at the P&R sites. Cycles are particularly appropriate for use by those who return from town to the P&R sites when the P&R buses are no longer running and when P&R staff have gone off duty.
2. More generally we believe that use of the P&R sites by people coming into Cambridge for the evening should be encouraged rather than prohibited. This applies both to those using bicycles and others. Traffic reduction in central Cambridge in the evenings as well as during the day should be an important priority for the city authorities.
3. P&R sites such as the Newmarket Road one give excellent access to leisure cycling areas. The use of these areas in the evening should be encouraged by extending rather than restricting P&R hours, especially in the summer.
4. P&R sites are valuable community facilities which should be utilised for other purposes when they are not used for P&R. They are, for example, very suitable for cycle training.
5. The problem of 'cruisers' should be resolvable by other means (eg by using effective exit barriers which cannot be used for entering the sites and, probably more important still, by plentiful use of road humps within the sites to discourage speeding and racing).

Yours sincerely,

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