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Dear Mr Earl

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There would be justified criticism for erecting too many signs in these uniquely attractive streets and I am concerned that signs identifying Trinity and St. John's Street as a cycle route might be misconstrued as identifying all of the pedestrian zone as such. This might lead to more people cycling in St. Mary's Street and Market Street during the 10am - 4pm restricted period.

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