



**Glasgow City Council**

**Wellbeing, Empowerment, Community and Citizen Engagement City  
Policy Committee**

**Report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods and Sustainability**

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**Briefing note on the Petition “Keep National Cycle Route 75 Open During  
Public Events in Glasgow Green.”**

**Purpose of Report:**

To provide information on the Petition “Keep National Cycle Route 75 Open  
During Public Events in Glasgow Green”.

**Recommendation:**

The Committee is requested to note the contents of the report.

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Public Events in Glasgow Green”.

**2. Background**

A 650m section of National Cycle Route 75 borders the South part of Glasgow  
Green adjacent to the River Clyde. It is a heavily used cycle route. Glasgow Green  
is the City’s premier event space and hosts many of the City’s major music and  
sporting events. During a small number of these events, this section of NCR 75  
requires to be closed to the public. This is generally on the main show days of the  
events. Examples include TRNSMT, Great Scottish Run and the World Pipe Band  
Championships.

In 2019, this amounted to 9 days during which a diversion from NCR75 was  
implemented (see Appendix 1 for diversion route map). The reason for the closure  
of the section is primarily safety and security. Significant infrastructure is in place  
around the park but sections are left with minimal structures to ensure that access to  
the park, and NCR75, can be maintained throughout the build and de-rig. Therefore,  
on show/main event days, a secondary measure requires to be installed to maintain  
the integrity of the live site. This means that the section along the river is closed to

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the public, including cyclists.

The petitioner suggests that permanent barriers be installed however this would further restrict access to the park. It is accepted that the diversion route could be improved and that enhanced signage be developed when these temporary closures are in place.

### **3. Recommendation**

It is recommended that:

- (a) Officers develop more robust, clear and visible signage directing cyclists and walkers to the alternative route.
- (b) Early warning signs are installed advising of upcoming events.
- (c) The alternative route via the South embankment of the River should be reviewed and improvements made to the surface and signage to further enhance the diversion.
- (d) Officers engage directly with affected groups.

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