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**Re: Agenda item 8 – Temple Quarter Update**

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**I note two reports on the agenda which have long term impacts for the future accessibility of Bristolians to public spaces, transport infrastructure, parks and green spaces.** The Temple Quarter development proposals will have a huge impact on a key transit route for people from the South and East of Bristol. **I and many others will be wondering** How will the needs of Bristolians from some of the most deprived areas of the further away areas like Brislington, Knowle and Hengrove and Whitchurch Park to access the mainline train station by sustainable travel means be catered for, and how can the plans avoid sexist or ableist infrastructure mistakes, like those of the recent installation of inappropriate bike racks?

**Equally,** In regards to the Sports Facilities in parks and green spaces transfer proposals, how can the public trust that the Mayor and Cabinet will protect and guarantee their right of access to Canford Lane, Begbrook Park, Netham Park, Eastville Park, St George Park and the Ardagh bowls facilities in those publicly owned parks and green spaces in perpetuity? As we have seen this Mayor and Cabinet fail to protect the public right of access to Stoke Lodge by an apparent failure to uphold the terms of the lease to preserve the existing access rights.