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PETITION PP 01 Submitted by Adblock Bristol

Title: Screened Out: Time's up for the M32 billboards

Lead petitioner: Veronica Wignall

Thank you for your petition.

Both digital displays were considered as part of a public process and the Development Control B Committee decided to grant permission for both displays in separate meetings in 2016. Both decisions were informed by assessments of the impact of the displays on local amenity and highway safety. I see no reason to intervene.

PETITION PP02

Title: Put Pressure on Avon Pension Fund to Divest As part of the events around the COP26 march we (a coalition of NGO volunteers and Union members) collected 700 signed postcards, asking the mayor to put pressure on Avon Pension Fund to divest its portfolio from fossil fuels.

Submitted by : Jackie Walkden

Thank you for your petition. [I have written](#) about Bristol's presence at COP26 and the work we are doing around the financing of cities and decarbonisation.

I don't believe that workers savings need to be invested in fossil fuels. A growing number of pension funds are removing themselves from these markets. In addition it often makes poor sense for the members of the fund, as these assets are not growing at a high rate and so it seems perverse. I don't have any direct influence on the Avon pension fund, but I have asked that they review their statement of investment principles to move out of fossil fuel markets.

PETITION DEBATE - Save the Redfield Cinema

Thank you – great to see how the community has galvanised around this issue. The debate highlighted just how Bristol is a proud [UNESCO city of film](#) and has a thriving film industry and heritage we work to support.

I am pleased that we have been able to help by designating the building as a community asset. However we know that there are still challenges the community will have to overcome to acquire, and then successfully renovate the site.

As decisions about what happens next lie with the land owner, there is little direct power I have. However, I wish the community good luck in continuing their work.

Councillors

Petition CP 01 – Cllr Weston

Petition title: Open up the Station Road Bus Lane
Petition wording: We the undersigned call on both Bristol and South Gloucestershire Council to open up the Station Road bus lane to two way traffic. The A4018 is heavily congested already and the possibility of moving the bus lane over the railway (and preventing cars turning back on themselves to use the B4055) will only make things worse. Opening up the bus lane is the only way to prevent complete gridlock on Crow Lane and allow some of the traffic to use another route

Thank you for the petition. As you note, this relates to a route partially in south Gloucestershire and therefore their view is important too.

Bristol is focused on opportunities for bus prioritisation on the A4018, in line with our approach to other corridors. With the new homes in the area, ensuring there are high-quality public transport routes will be key to connecting people to Bristol's economy in a low carbon, efficient way.

Through WECA we continue to work with neighbours on the strategic ring of park and ride sites. The A4018 Park and Ride will be reducing congestion and providing a reliable alternative to private car use, improving congestion for those who live locally.

Guy Poultney – Kingsdown Sport Centre

The decision on our Leisure Facilities investment strategy will come to cabinet in the new year. Our proposed approach makes a clear commitment to invest in facilities with higher footfall and located areas with higher deprivation as the best focus of the limited funding available.

The details of the usage of the facilities is part of the draft strategy, if you wish to challenge the figures you are welcome to contact the officer to discuss.

Geoff Gollop – DYL Coldharbour rd

Following introduction of a crossing as part of the Southmead Quiet Way, parking has been reduced by 60% and there is now double-parking in the remaining space. This is causing huge access problems with residents having to act as traffic police to guide large vehicles around parked cars. These changes are a safety hazard and have heightened social tensions between road users and the local community.

Thank you for the petition bringing this to my attention. We would be interested to know what the community feels is the best solution to the issue would be, given the need to balance the views of the traders and residents. I'd invite you to take forward a conversation with Cllr Don Alexander and discuss what the Area Committee might support.