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Our ref: AM/JJT

Your Ref:

Date: 21st February 2020

Dear Will and Dine

I write to recommend that Bath and North East Somerset Council introduce an Anti-Terrorism Traffic Order ("ATTRO") in respect of all roads within the area defined within the map attached as 'Appendix A'.

You will be aware that since 2016 Counter Terrorism Security Advisors have been engaged with Bath and North East Somerset Council over discussions around the protection of the city centre from terrorist incidents and the following meetings whereby we advised of our recommendations.

Considerable thought and detail has been considered in relation to the recommendations and has been widely circulated with the local authority during the meetings. The consensus between Bath and North East Somerset Council and ourselves was that recommendations should be submitted to you.

The ATTRO is recommended in order to enable the Chief Constable of Avon and Somerset Constabulary to restrict or regulate the movement of pedestrians and vehicles for the purpose of avoiding or reducing, or reducing the likelihood of, danger connected with terrorism to persons or property on or near a road; and or preventing or reducing damage connected with terrorism (as defined by section 1 Terrorism Act 2000). This would be one of a package of measures designed to improve overall public safety, specifically the security of people in crowded places and protect/prevent damage to buildings from a terrorist attack.

There is an acknowledged threat to the United Kingdom from international terrorism and past experience has demonstrated that this particular threat is acute in intensely crowded places. The City of Bath is a UNESCO World Heritage site and major tourist destination, it has also been identified as a significant crowded place. It is home to Bath Abbey, the Roman Baths, Southgate Centre and the Rec (home of Bath Rugby) amongst many other culturally and natural significant sites. It is also known for events such as the Christmas Market, Bath Half Marathon and Remembrance Sunday parades as well as being home to two Universities.

Bath plays a significant role in the regional economy and the value of the visitor economy in BANES cannot be ignored. The RAND Corporation published a report stating that the five terror attacks that took place in the United Kingdom in 2017 – at Westminster, Manchester, London Bridge, Finsbury Park and Parson Green – potentially led to a loss in economic output of £3.5 billion. The closure of Borough Market and 'denial of access caused by extensive cordons' following the London Bridge attack was estimated to cost £1.4 million. This was mainly borne by smaller and medium sized businesses. The local economy took 6-9 months to return to the level it had been prior to the attack.

I consider that the above circumstances meet both the criteria under section 22C (1) and (2) of the Road Traffic Regulation ACT 1984.

The latest amendment to the Road Traffic Regulation ACT 1984 (enacted by the Counter-Terrorism and Border Security ACT 2019) waives the requirement to publicise an ATTRO in advance, where

in the opinion of the Chief Police Officer, such publicity would undermine the purpose of the order. It is agreed by Avon and Somerset Constabulary and Bath and North East Somerset Council that, in the interests of transparency and accountability there will be no intention to waive the requirement to publicise the ATTRO.

An ATTRO enables traffic which includes vehicle and/or pedestrians to be regulated (the extreme of which would be to restrict access of a road) for preventative purposes in connection with Counter Terrorism. An order will supplement physical security measures in order to preclude vehicles and/or pedestrians from entering or proceeding along a road within the designated area. The ATTRO can only be progressed by way of a recommendation from ourselves the police.

The ATTRO which I am recommending would be permanent but of a contingency nature, which would enable an officer of Avon and Somerset Constabulary to direct that a provision of the ATTRO restricting or regulating pedestrian or vehicular traffic on a particular road should be commenced, suspended or revived. Avon and Somerset Constabulary would make this direction to the extent they considered necessary, informed by security assessment or intelligence of a terrorist threat. If an emergency resulted in the use of the ATTRO this would be authorised by an officer of at least the rank of Inspector and for pre-planned events it would be the Superintendent of Operations.

I will further recommend that wherever possible, at least 7 days' notice of restrictions associated with emergency operation of the ATTRO will be provided to the local authority in order that such notice may also be provided to those persons likely to be affected by the restrictions. Finally, it is also recommended that any emergency restriction put in place in accordance with the ATTRO will not exceed a period of 48 hours without prior approval from the Chief Officer of Police.

A jointly agreed schedule (from the police and local authority) will also be attached to the ATTRO detailing the specific working/operational arrangements for the implementation of the ATTRO between the police and the local authorities when it arises in both pre-planned and emergency arrangements.

These recommendations ensure that the ATTRO is a proportionate measure used to the minimum extent necessary in an emergency in order to deal with the likelihood of danger connected with terrorism, and which also safeguards the areas identified as being vulnerable. The ATTRO provision will be reviewed annually by Avon and Somerset Constabulary to assess the proportionate use of the power and if it is still necessary.

As mentioned, the ATTRO would be one of a package of measures designed to improve overall public safety and as such we ask Bath and North East Somerset Council to look at ways to further strengthen their protection in areas of high footfall/crowd density.

May I take this opportunity to thank Bath and North East Somerset Council for its consideration of this ATTRO recommendation, which it is believed will provide us with a further protective measure to keep the city safe from a terrorist threat.

I wait to hear further from you in due course.

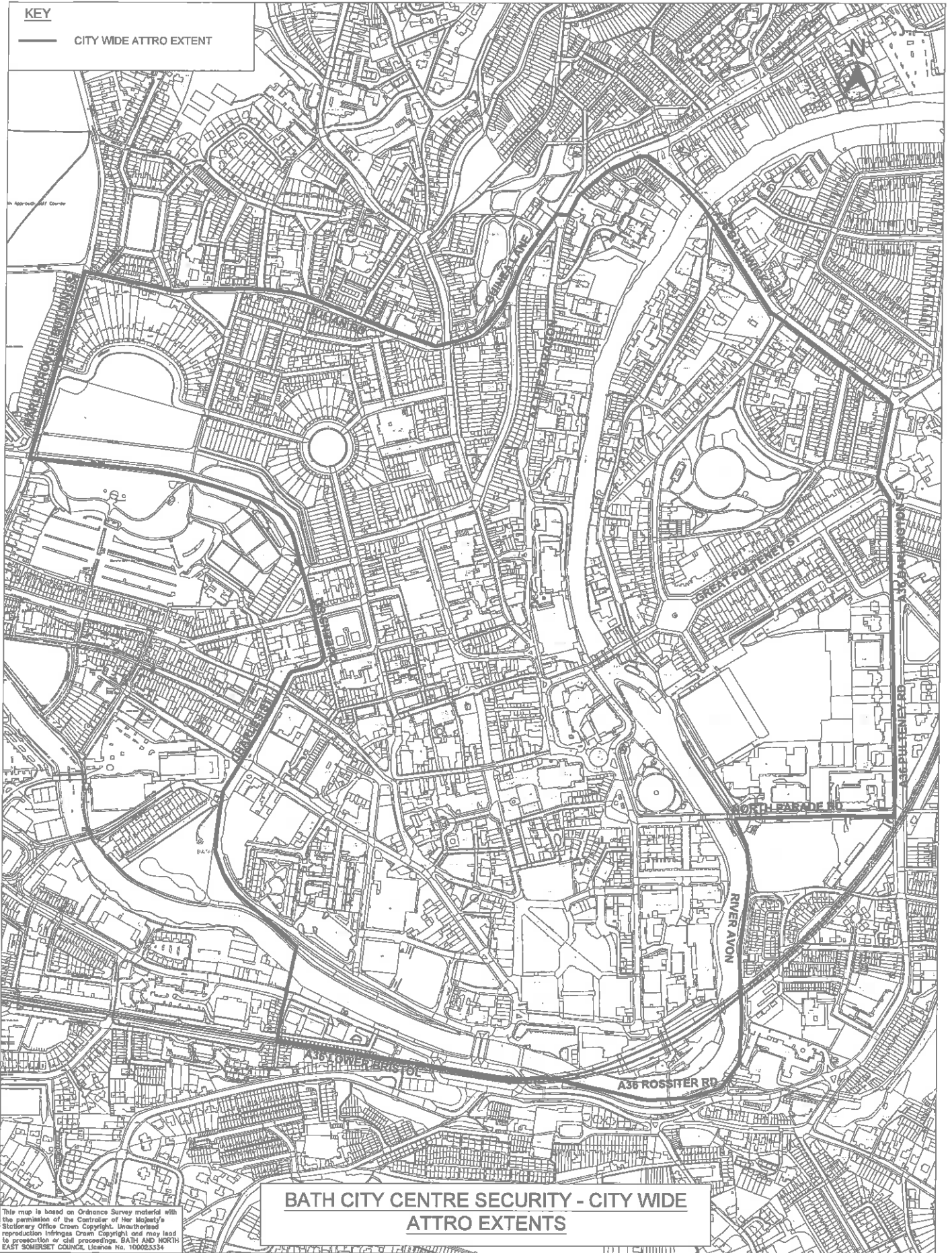
Yours sincerely,



Andy Marsh QPM
Chief Constable
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— CITY WIDE ATTRO EXTENT



**BATH CITY CENTRE SECURITY - CITY WIDE
ATTRO EXTENTS**

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Sent via email to
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Date: 26th February 2020

Dear Chief Constable

Thank you for your letter dated 21 February in support of and recommending that Bath and North East Somerset Council introduce an Anti-Terrorism Traffic Regulation Order ("ATTRO") in respect of all roads within the area defined within the map attached as 'Appendix A' to your letter.

The Council is supportive of this recommendation and I have asked my Officers to progress this.

However, the Council continues to work with your CTSA's on addressing the security of Bath City Centre, particularly for the inner-core, through a number of measures. Following advice sought from CPNI and on the recommendation of your CTSA's the Council is proposing to install a series of physical HVM barriers, in the inner core of the City, blended in to the street scene.

These barriers will enhance our public realm and the environment, along with improving the safety and protection of both residents and visitors, and strengthen the protection of the inner core during the hours of high footfall, which is paramount to the vibrancy and economy of the City.

In order to legally enforce the prohibition of vehicles for Counter-Terrorism reasons during the hours of high footfall (0900 hours to 1900 hours), we require a recommendation from you for an ATTRO for the inner-core (outlined at Appendix B and which will run during those 10 hours of the day), alongside the TRO for public realm and environmental purposes (which will operate 24/7 and which we at Bath & North East Somerset Council can self-initiate).

Therefore to enable us to legally consult on the closure of these roads as outlined above, could we request your approval and support of the additional, specific inner cordon ATTRO, this would allow us to consult on both the ATTRO supported in your letter, and the inner cordon TRO and ATTRO at the same time ensuring consistency.

In order for my Officers to commence consultation in early March and to prepare the pre-communications and marketing materials in advance, I would welcome a

response at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for your time and consideration of the matter.

Yours sincerely

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Will Godfrey
Chief Executive
Bath and North East Somerset Council

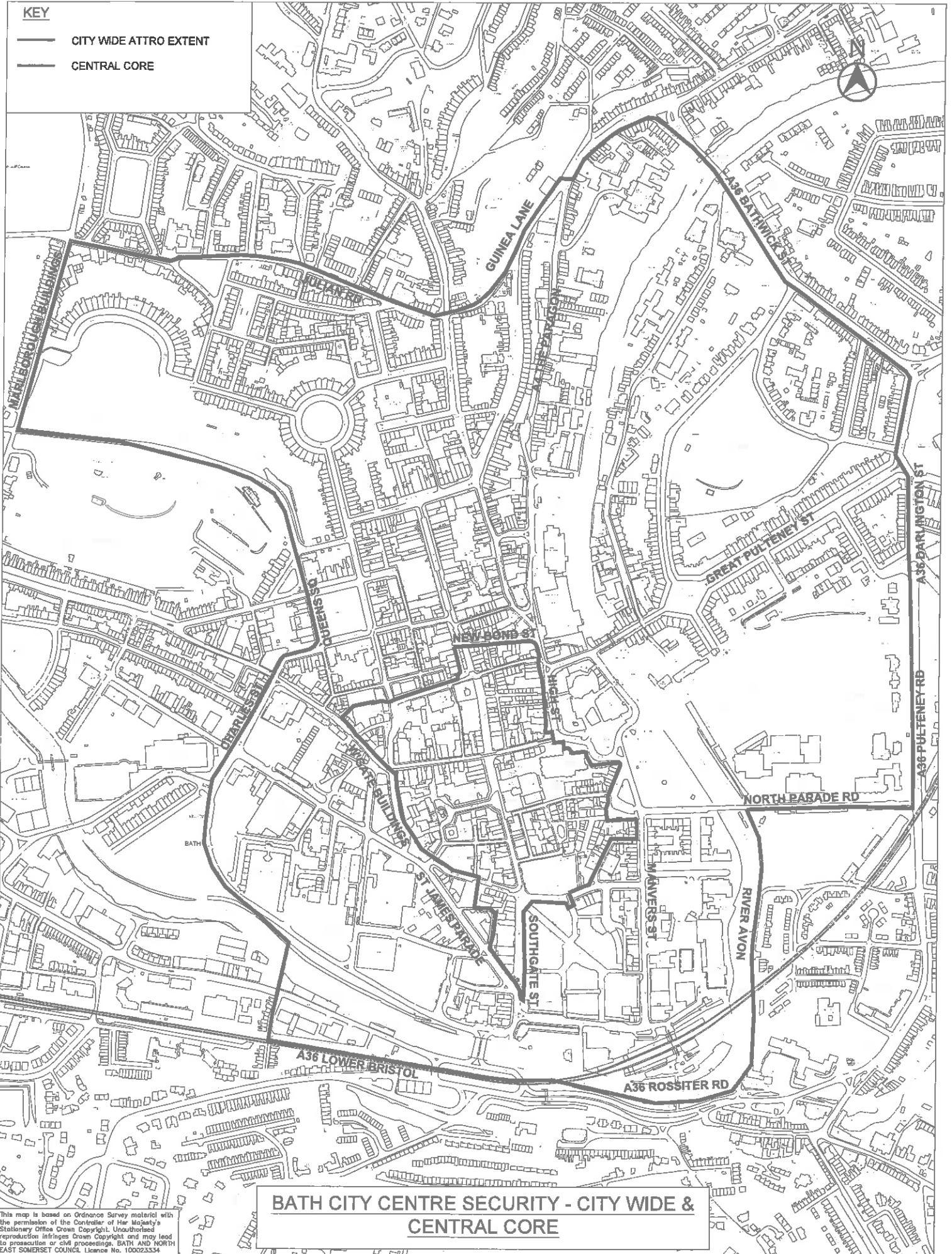
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Dine Romero
Leader

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CITY WIDE ATTRO EXTENT

CENTRAL CORE



BATH CITY CENTRE SECURITY - CITY WIDE & CENTRAL CORE

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Date: 4th March 2020

Dear Will and Dine

Further to your letter dated 26th February I write to recommend that in addition to our original request, Bath and North East Somerset Council also consider implementing an Anti-Terrorism Traffic Order ("ATTRO") in respect of the roads which are identified as high footfall/crowd density areas which are shown within the inner core in Appendix B.

I have sought advice from our Counter Terrorism Security Advisors and the Centre of Protection of National Infrastructure on this matter and as Bath city centre is a significant crowded site I believe the restriction of traffic from the main crowded areas at peak times is proportionate and I would welcome and support any scheme that limited vehicular access to these areas.

I recognise that the identified inner core is not always going to be a crowded place and any scheme will have to reflect and take account of the needs of the businesses and people who reside and work in this area. Use of the ATTRO to limit traffic within the inner core would have to be confined to specific times stated within the Order to reflect the periods of significant footfall you have highlighted, pre-planned events or emergency situations. Exclusion of vehicles outside of these times would have to be catered for under a parallel/separate Traffic Regulation Order.

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I will further recommend that wherever possible, at least 7 days' notice of restrictions associated with emergency operation of the ATTRO will be provided to the local authority in order that such notice may also be provided to those persons likely to be affected by the restrictions. Finally, it is also recommended that any emergency restriction put in place in accordance with the ATTRO will not exceed a period of 48 hours without prior approval from the Chief Constable.

A jointly agreed schedule (from the police and local authority) will need to be attached to the ATTRO detailing the specific working/operational arrangements for the implementation of the ATTRO at the discretion of a constable and the local authorities when it arises.

The ATTRO provision will be reviewed annually by Avon and Somerset Constabulary to assess the proportionate use of the power and if it is still necessary and we recommend BANES council have protocols in place for any changes in threat level.

This ATTRO would be one of a package of measures designed to improve overall public safety within Bath and North East Somerset Council.

May I take this opportunity to thank Bath and North East Somerset Council for its consideration of this ATTRO recommendation, which it is believed will provide us with a further protective measure to keep the city safe from a terrorist threat.

I wait to hear further from you in due course.

Yours sincerely,



Andy Marsh QPM
Chief Constable
Avon and Somerset Constabulary

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Date: 29th October 2020

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Chief Constable
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Sent via email to:
Georgina.Meech@avonandsomerset.police.uk

Dear Chief Constable

Thank you for your letter dated 4 March 2020 in support of and recommending that Bath and North East Somerset Council introduce an Anti-Terrorism Traffic Order ("ATTRO") in respect of the roads in the inner core of the city which are identified as high footfall/ crowd density areas, and are shown on the attached map as "Appendix B".

As you will be aware, working with your CTSA's the Council has introduced temporary security gates at several streets within the inner core of the city as part of the Council's Covid-19 measures for reopening and renewing Bath city centre. These temporary access restrictions operate essentially between 10.00am and 6.00pm.

In order to strengthen city centre security on a permanent basis, the Council is now able to progress consultation on a series of physical HVM barriers in the inner core of the City, and it is our intention to carry out this consultation between November 2020 and the start of January 2021.

In our previous correspondence with you dated 26 February 2020, we had suggested that the prohibition of vehicles for Counter-Terrorism reasons in the inner core of the city would be during the period 0900 hours to 1900 hours. However, following the successful implementation of the temporary access restriction measures and recognising the many changes that traders and residents have made as a result of their implementation, we would seek your recommendation to advertise the inner core ATTRO (outlined at Appendix B) for the period 1000 to 1800 hours.

As previously agreed with you, the Council will also advertise a TRO for public realm and environmental purposes which will operate for the period outside of the inner core ATTRO hours, thus putting access restrictions in place in the inner core of the city 24/7.

The Council's current focus is to progress consultation on the inner core ATTRO and associated TRO as described above, but I confirm that the Council will continue to proceed with the outer ATTRO in respect of all roads within the area defined within the map attached as "Appendix A", and as set out in your letter dated 21 February 2020.

I would also like to thank you for providing the opportunity for one of our Officers to be included within your recent case study video for Problem Oriented Policing, as this

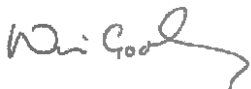
demonstrates the close working relationship between Bath & North East Somerset Council and Avon and Somerset Constabulary.

In a similar vein for our consultation on the inner core ATTRO/ TRO, the Council will be producing a short film and holding a webinar to describe the proposals, and would be grateful if a representative of the Police was able to be included within the film and webinar.

In order for my Officers to commence consultation on 16th November 2020 and to prepare the pre-communications and marketing materials in advance, I would welcome a response at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for your time and consideration of the matter.

Yours sincerely



Will Godfrey
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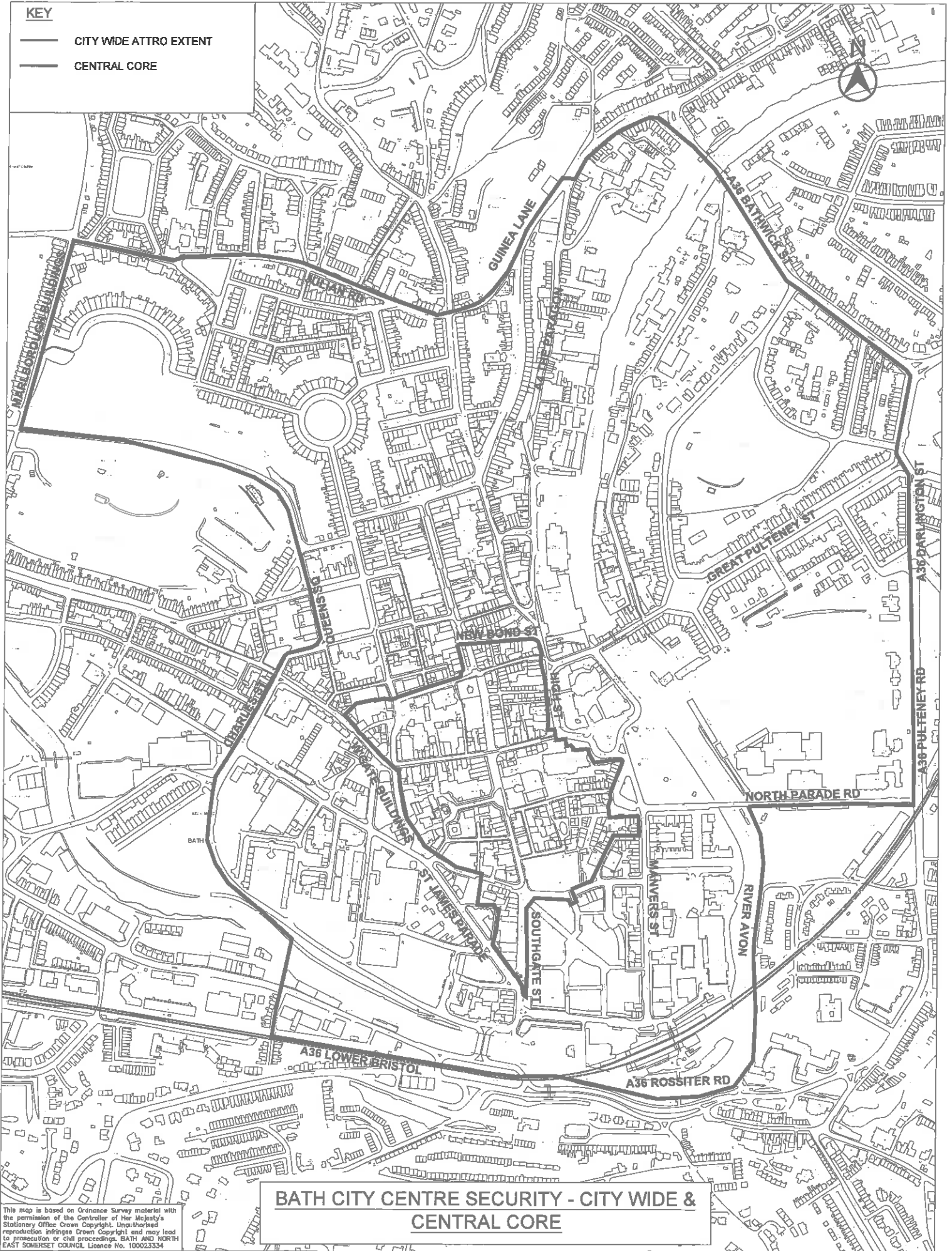


Dine Romero
Leader

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Date: 10th November 2020

Dear Will and Dine

Further to your letter dated 29th October 2020, I understand that Counter Terrorism Security Advisors have had continued engagement with colleagues at Bath and North East Somerset Council over the reopening of the city centre and so they are aware of the protocols and measures which have been implemented to promote this scheme. The CTSA's are satisfied that advertising the ATTRO restrictions from 1000hrs to 1800hrs is proportionate at this time, based on the current and predicted footfall. We would request that you ensure that plans are put in place to allow you to act promptly should there be an increase in the threat level to Critical.

Counter Terrorism Policing South West CTSA's are happy to partake in the consultation should they be requested to do so.

Yours sincerely,

Andy Marsh QPM
Chief Constable
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Date: 6th May 2021

Andy Marsh QPM
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Sent via email to:
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Dear Chief Constable

I refer to your letter dated 10 November 2020, and would like to thank your Counter Terrorism Policing South West CTSA's for their assistance in the City Centre Security consultation and engagement processes.

The Council has now completed its informal consultation into the City Centre Security proposals to advertise an ATTRO (between 10.00am and 6.00pm) and a TRO (between 6.00pm and 10.00am) that would restrict vehicular access into the streets indicated in the plan marked as Board 12 (attached).

During the consultation, the Council received many requests from the disabled community for blue badge holders to be permitted access to the restricted streets at all times.

In considering options as to how best to proceed, the Council has been mindful of:

- (i) The need for the proposed solution to be proportionate to the security risk.
- (ii) The legal obligation of public bodies to comply with the public sector equality duty under the Equality Act 2010.

Options that Council officers have considered are included in Appendix A.

In summary we are recommending:

- Not progressing the TRO 6.00pm to 10.00am; as this would not appear to be proportionate to risk
- Progressing ATTRO (Option 4); this accords with your recommendation for an ATTRO during the hours of 10.00am to 6.00pm as set out in your letter of 10 November 2020.

In consideration of public sector equality duties, Option 4 would also include for blue badge holders to have access to the restricted streets during the hours of 10.00am to 6.00pm. In order to maintain security, the following additional protocol measures are proposed:

- (i) Blue badge parking bays would be provided within the restricted streets, but blue badge access would only be permitted if a blue badge parking space was available.
- (ii) The removal of permission for blue badge vehicles to enter the restricted streets should national or local threat levels increase. The security level at which this would be invoked would be agreed with the Police.

I would be grateful if you would confirm that your recommendation for the ATTRO would include controlled access for blue badge holders as set out above. Subject to your confirmation, Officers are reporting the City Centre Security proposals to Cabinet on 23 June 2021, and are minded to make the recommendation to proceed with the advertisement of an ATTRO, as set out in Option 4 .

Thank you for your time and consideration of the matter.

Yours sincerely



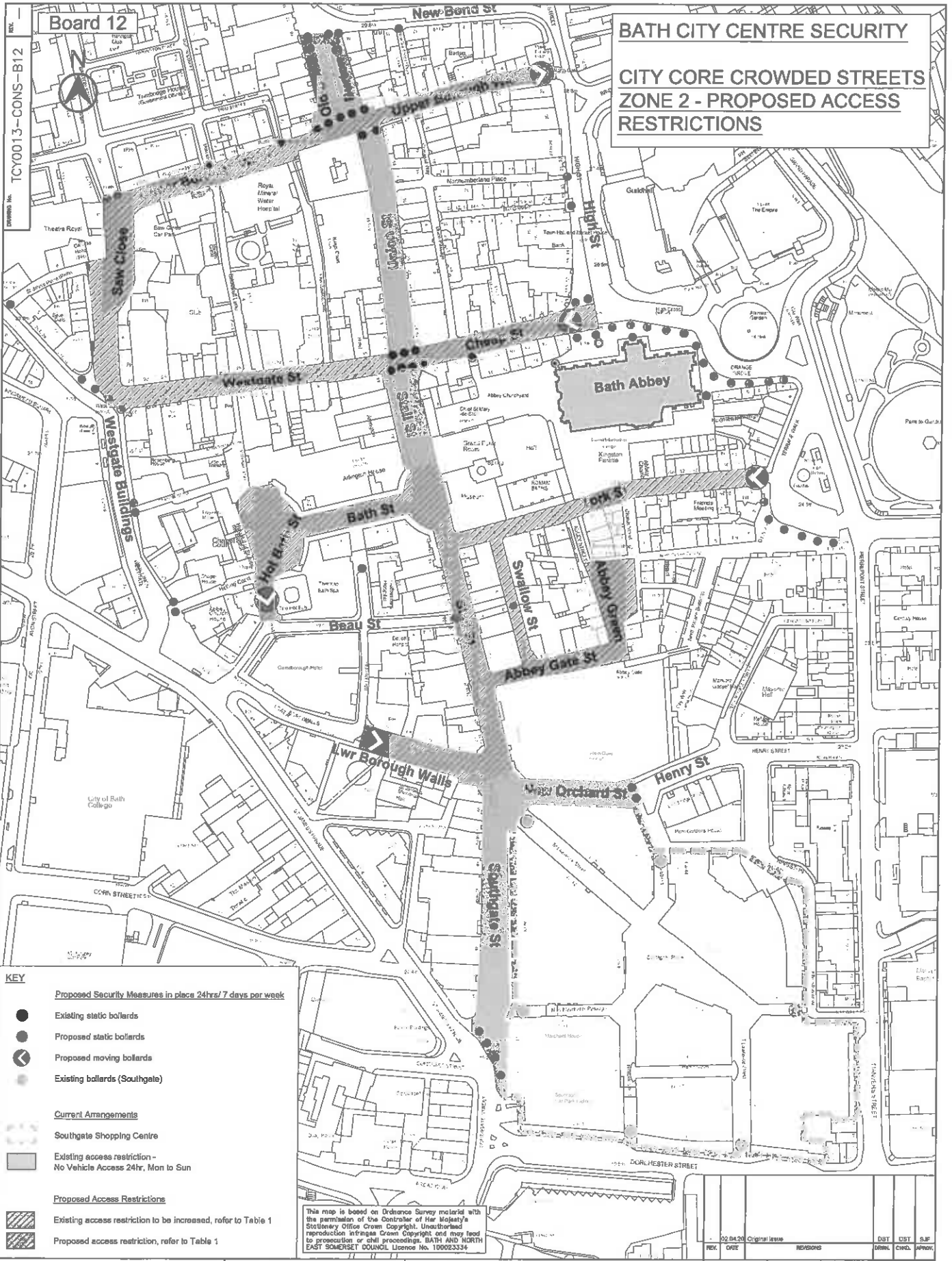
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Chief Executive, Bath & North East Somerset Council

Appendix A

Options Under Consideration for City Centre Security Scheme

1. Option 1 – To advertise the ATTRO and TRO without modifications, but to provide significant mitigation measures (eg substantial blue badge holder parking in adjacent and nearby streets to the restricted streets). Council officers are concerned with this option that the TRO is not proportionate to the security risk.
2. Option 2 – To modify the ATTRO hours to 10.30am to 6.00pm; to modify the TRO to permit blue badge holder access into the restricted streets during the hours of 6.00pm and 10.30am; and to advertise the ATTRO and TRO on this revised basis. Parking during the hours of 6.00pm to 10.30am would be restricted to blue badge and loading bays only.
Council officers are concerned with this option that the TRO is not proportionate to the security risk.
3. Option 3 – To modify the ATTRO hours to 10.30am to 6.00pm and to advertise an ATTRO only. No TRO would be advertised, and the restricted streets would be open to all traffic during the hours 6.00pm to 10.30am. Parking during the hours of 6.00pm to 10.30am would be restricted to blue badge and loading bays only.
This option would give greater access to shops and amenities for blue badge holders at the start of the day.
4. Option 4 – To retain the ATTRO hours of 10.00am to 6.00pm, but to modify the ATTRO to permit blue badge holders into the restricted streets during these hours. The ATTRO would be advertised on this basis, but no TRO would be advertised, with the restricted streets being open to all traffic during the hours of 6.00pm to 10.00am. Parking during the hours of 6.00pm to 10.00am would be restricted to blue badge and loading bays only.
This option would give access for blue badge holders throughout the daytime and night time.



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Proposed Security Measures in place 24hrs/ 7 days per week

- Existing static bollards
- Proposed static bollards
- ◀ Proposed moving bollards
- Existing bollards (Southgate)

Current Arrangements

- Southgate Shopping Centre
- Existing access restriction - No Vehicle Access 24hr, Mon to Sun

Proposed Access Restrictions

- Existing access restriction to be increased, refer to Table 1
- Proposed access restriction, refer to Table 1

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**CITY CENTRE CROWDED STREETS
 ZONE 2 - PROPOSED ACCESS RESTRICTIONS**

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Date: 25th May 2021

Dear Will

Further to your letter of 6th May 2021, I understand Counter Terrorism Security Advisors have continued their engagement with colleagues at Bath and North East Somerset Council to discuss the responsibilities around implementation of a proportionate scheme which also takes account of the duties under the Equalities Act 2010.

The Counter Terrorism Security Advisors agree the proposed controlled restricted access of vehicles into the designated area helps balance the needs of the community and businesses with the security requirements and as such would support the implementation of Option 4 as a proportionate solution.

This option will rely heavily on effective control of any access into the designated area and the associated arrangements to maintain security and limit the relative residual risk. As such it will be important for the council to ensure that all the necessary mitigation protocols are in place.

Yours sincerely,

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Date: 9th December 2021

Sarah Crew
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Dear Chief Constable Crew

Further to my last correspondence in May 2021, with your predecessor Chief Constable Andy Marsh, in relation to the force's request to introduce an Anti-Terrorism Traffic Regulation Order in Bath City Centre, I am writing to give you an updated position.

Following approval by Cabinet in July 2021 to proceed with the ATTRO for the inner core of the city centre, the Council duly advertised these Orders, which were subject to a 21-day consultation.

Almost 200 comments were received, with a mixture of support and those objecting or partially objecting to the scheme for a variety of reasons. My officers have continued to work with those persons and/or organisations who have objected to the TRO, including your CTSA's in responding to those objections relating to security risk.

Whilst we have been successful in working with those objectors who would trigger a public inquiry, there remains one objector to the York Street ATTRO, who has upheld their objection and therefore, the Council is legally required to trigger a public inquiry.

Plans for the other roads in the council's city centre security scheme will go ahead and the Traffic Regulation Orders for Anti-Terrorism purposes for:

- Lower Borough Walls, Stall Street, Abbeygate Street, Abbey Green, Swallow Street (south), Bath Street and Hot Bath Street;
- Cheap Street, Westgate Street (including Parsonage Lane), Saw Close and Upper Borough Walls

The Notice of Making will be published in the Bath Chronicle on Thursday 23 December 2021.

By triggering a Public Inquiry, the Council will be appointing Counsel and it is anticipated Counsel will require a statement and representation from the Police, outlining the rationale for the original request for an ATTRO and a robust supportive statement of the need to implement an ATTRO.

Please can you confirm you will be able to support us accordingly?

Whilst writing, I wish to seek your agreement that we proceed with the Outer ATTRO, as detailed in CC Marsh's letter of 21 February 2020. In CC Marsh's letter, he states that ***"whilst the latest amendment to the RTA 1984 waives the requirement to publicise an ATTRO in advance, where in the opinion of the Chief Police Officer, such publicity would undermine the purpose of the order. It is agreed by Avon and Somerset Constabulary and Bath and North East Somerset Council that, in the interests of transparency and accountability there will be no intention to waive the requirement to publicise the ATTRO."***

However, we recognise that further consultation processes focused on the outer ATTRO would potentially be detrimental to the timely implementation of the scheme and the risks to security this would potentially create. Further given the nature of the scheme, in that, it only operates in limited circumstances or on your advice, consultation could be felt to be unnecessary. I would further seek your view on behalf of the Members as to whether we enact the right to waive this requirement, in order for us to move forward as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely



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Chief Executive
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Will Godfrey
Chief Executive
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17th December 2021

By Email to:

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Dear Will,

Thank you for your letter of 9th December in which you provided me with an updated position on the progress of the Bath Anti-Terrorism Traffic Regulation Order (ATTRO).

In response to the first point raised in your letter, I reiterate that the police continue to be supportive of any proportionate protective measures to improve public safety and mitigate the threat of terrorism. My predecessor gave his recommendation to the proposed implementation of 'Option 4' as being a proportionate solution to the potential risks advised of, as confirmed by Mr Marsh in his correspondence to you dated 25 May 2021. We would happily supply a statement setting out the rationale for our support to aid the public inquiry as we still believe it to be a proportionate means to strengthen the protective security of the city.

Secondly, as to the publication and consultation process surrounding the outer ATTRO, I have sought advice from the Centre for the Protection of National Infrastructure in regard to the legislation surrounding the circumstances and grounds for waiving the right to publication of the proposals. The ATTRO guidance states that the regulations:

'Enable the chief officer of police for the area to which the order relates to request that the ATTRO proposal or Notice is not published if they consider that to do so would risk undermining the purpose for which the Order is made (eg. advertising would give away details of the extent or nature of the security plan)'

I do not believe that the circumstances surrounding the outer ATTRO meet the legislative provisions for not publicising the proposal, and a lack of publication would certainly not be in the spirit of the legislation. This is especially the case as the outer ATTRO proposals contain no permanent measures and are likely to be invoked on an infrequent basis.

It is vital that we maintain the support and trust of our communities, and that is why, in the interests of transparency and accountability, I am advising that the Council should not waive the requirement to publicise the outer ATTRO proposals.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sarah Crew', with a long, sweeping underline.

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Dear Chief Constable Crew

Thank you for your letter of 17 December 2021 and for confirmation of your support of the measures the Council are proposing to improve public safety and mitigate the threat of terrorism. In addition, your support as we move towards a public inquiry is welcomed and my Officers will continue to work with your Counter-Terrorism Security Advisors throughout.

We are in agreement with your view that it is vital we maintain the support and trust of our communities and again, my officers will work with your CTSA's on finalising the work needed in advance of advertising the outer ATTRO proposals.

Yours sincerely



Will Godfrey
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