## Bath & North East Somerset Council

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## 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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