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Evidence

Questions about you: In order for the evidence to be analysed and taken forward by the Inquiry we will need some further information about you and / or your organisation. Please note that all evidence submitted to the Inquiry may be published at any point during the Inquiry or when the Inquiry Report is issued. If you are responding as an organisation your full details will be published. If you are responding as an individual your name will be published, but your address will only be published if the Inquiry considers this to be relevant to the evidence submitted.

Organisation Name (if applicable):
Surname: Steele
Forename: David
Postal Address:
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Are you responding as an organisation or an individual? Individual

Does your evidence relate to a particular period of time? Yes

If yes, what period?: January 2014 – present

Does your evidence relate to a particular event or activity? Yes

If yes, please explain what the event / activity was.:

Cycling accident at Haymarket Junction

We are particularly interested in:• How you found out about what was happening, and how informed you were throughout the project• What did you think would happen• What actually happened• What were the effects if any, on you (or your organisation) at the time of the project• What if any, were the on-going or longer-term effects on you (or your organisation). Please write your evidence here.

We are particularly interested in:

I was involved in a cycling accident whilst crossing the rails outside Ryeries Pub at Haymarket on Jan 4th 2013. This was the first time I had ever been to this junction since the tram lines were laid. I am 55 yrs old now and have lived all of my life in Edinburgh. I had no prior knowledge of the tramlines and their layout. It was getting dark at the time. The junction is massively confusing. I came down hard on my bike and was lucky to escape being crushed by the Citylink Bus following behind. I was left with damage to my elbow, rotator cuff, and hip. A haematoma developed in my groin and the skin that had been removed took over 6 weeks to heal over. I also had £600 worth of clothes ruined in the incident. The council claim they have done nothing wrong but they have. They have ignored all design standards to the peril of road users. Accident statistics prove this but still the council claim we are not at fault. You will prove otherwise. You will also find that their accident recording system is broken. My own accident was reported but you will not find it recorded. Shocking. I am now working with lawyers to bring a prosecution against CEC for their negligence and ongoing reckless attitude towards Public Safety.

Do you have any documents which you think it would be useful for the Inquiry to see?

Yes

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Yes