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Thanks for your email.

I think the consultation period for Cardiff's CPZ is now over, however I will forward your email to the relevant department with a request that it be considered in the round.

It is my understanding that, through consultation, Council Officers have received a huge response in respect to this issue. Initial figures appear to suggest that the vast majority of respondents are in support of controlled parking and for traffic enforcement to be improved across the city. Whilst traders and a small amount of residents appear to oppose improved traffic management, I understand this scheme is overwhelmingly supported by residents, public transport users, the emergency services, and environmental groups. It's also my understanding that the Chamber of Commerce is backing this scheme as they believe it will be of benefit to traders, giving people the chance to park outside shops, rather than spaces being taken up by out of town workers, as is currently the case.

However, due to the strength of feeling of the minority against the scheme, I understand Cardiff Council has taken these comments on board and is actually amending the scheme in accordance with people's concerns.

Living in a residential area where commuters choose to park outside people's homes and use the residential streets as a thoroughfare I must be seen to represent the concerns of my residents – the vast majority of whom have written to me in support of this scheme. I'm not happy to sit back and see the city grind to a halt through congestion as many senior professionals claim will happen in a matter of a few years if nothing is done, however I will be arguing for more investment in public transport and an increase in cycle lanes to give individuals the option to leave their vehicles at home. Only then can we be sure that we are doing the right thing in working towards cutting pollution and reducing cases of child asthma whilst freeing up parts of the city to enable not only buses but ambulances, police and fire officer's priority in emergency situations.

All the very best  
Gavin Cox  
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