

Speed issues on Alva Place/Maryfield Place in the Abbeyhill Colonies

This street is the only one in the Abbeyhill Colonies which is open at both ends.

It's a 'one way' street for traffic from London Rd travelling north into the Colonies but is also used as a rat run for traffic looking to avoid the lights at the Easter Rd / London Rd junction.

It has cars parked on both sides of the street with a single lane for traffic in the middle.

With the help of Councilors Jack Caldwell and James Dagleish, a sign has been erected at the top of (south end) indication that the road is unsuitable for HGV traffic and this is proving to be effective.

We are left with some boy racers speeding down between the rows of parked cars while making their way to Easter Rd at the Rossie Place exit and an increase of traffic at peak times.

Traffic travelling from the East past Meadowbank, along London Rd are unable to access Easter Rd directly at the London Rd/ Easter Rd lights as there is a long standing 'No right turn' here. Why this is the case, it is not quite clear when the other 3 sets of lights at this junction have some sort of filter system.

The Abbeyhill Colonies Residents Association (ACRA) in conjunction with its councilors have discussed possible ways to reduce speeding cars and even remove larger delivery vans from this residential street.

No immediate solution has been forthcoming. Speed bumps are no longer sanctioned by the Council.

Removal of the No right turn at the Easter Rd junction and a NO right turn at the London Rd /Alva Place junction would be a possible solution.

ACRA would appreciate the support of LCCC to facilitate a solution to the issue and will continue to work with our Councilors on this issue.

Thank you

Sheila Kennedy

Secretary

LCCC and ACRA

