

**Cllr Dan Levy (Eynsham Division) – CMD Transport Management (09/10/25) – Eynsham, A40, Barnard Gate – Proposed Experimental No Right Turn Restrictions**

Thank you for the opportunity to address you on this item.

I welcome measures to improve safety at this junction. It is too often the scene of collisions, often severe ones. The A40 is extremely busy, and it can take a long time for a gap to appear in the traffic in both directions at the same time. Collisions here not only cause injury, but even more minor RTCs block the key freight, car and bus route to and from the west of Oxford. Banning right turns will reduce the number of incidents.

It is the case that the new junction at Shores Green should reduce the number of people who opt to get onto or off the A40 via a right turn here. There will however still be people who will be tempted by the route, and I would have preferred more physical measures than those proposed. Can I urge this council to monitor the situation, and bring in physical constraints if this experimental sign-only scheme proves unsatisfactory.

There will be a number of residents who are inconvenienced by this ETRO, and I am grateful for their compliance.

Can I urge also an exemption of people on bicycles from the restriction, alongside agricultural vehicles. The “straight ahead” route, technically a right turn, is very popular with people on bikes, as it is a quiet route apart from the A40 crossing, for instance to get from Hanborough to Stanton Harcourt. Unlike for car users, alternative routes involve a significant detour. It would be better not to force people to dismount in order to be legally compliant.