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Mr Ian Campbell

Dear Mr Campbell

Many thanks for your recent letter and for taking the time to contact me about this issue.

I am not able to comment on the specific photographs as there are numerous factors and circumstances that would need to be taken into consideration. However, In terms of pavement parking in Liverpool I would make the following general comments:-

- It is an offence to wilfully obstruct the free passage along a highway under Section 137 of the Highways Act 1980. This can be enforced immediately by Merseyside Police with a Fixed Penalty Notice.
- The City Council can take action if damage arises from vehicles driving on the footway and this damage can be attributed to a specific road-user.
- Powers exist for local authorities to implement footway parking bans through Traffic Regulation Orders (TRO's); however, a city-wide footway parking ban has not been implemented in Liverpool.
- If there is a TRO in place on the carriageway this will normally extend to the back of footway, allowing the City Council to take enforcement action for contraventions of the TRO during times it is in force.

Please advise my colleague Paul Hughes, Team Leader, Highways and Transportation if you have concerns about specific locations and he will arrange for officers from the Highway and Transportation to investigate them and report back.

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Yours sincerely

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