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Our Ref AB/KMcB/BE

*Dear Janette,*

I am writing regarding the National Association of City Transportation Officials' Global Street Design Guide. This publication represents a vision for world-class city street design that meets the goals of our communities and we are delighted to endorse it.

The Global Street Design Guide offers a concrete vision for improving the liveability of our streets for all road users. The guidance, vision, and flexibility articulated in the Guide instigate a new and important direction for cities. We see the Guide as an indispensable tool in planning modern city streets, especially as we work toward a common vision with our partners at all levels.

It is no coincidence that the cities that have truly embraced cycling and walking happen to be the same cities that regularly top polls for being the most liveable and exciting places to be. We want to bring this ethos to Greater Manchester, refreshing our streets and making them much more attractive to navigate on foot or by bike.

We've got hugely ambitious plans to transform Greater Manchester and that means we need to be following the very best practice. We will use these global standards to develop Greater Manchester's own version of how we should design our streets to make them healthier places that enable more people to travel actively.

Please accept this letter as Greater Manchester's official endorsement of the Global Street Design Guide. It is an integral and efficient tool for designing safe and sustainable streets and public spaces.

*Best wishes,*  
*Andy Burnham*

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