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## Civic Cabinet Chair for Transport

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Mr Paul French  
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Dear Mr French

Thank you for your email of 1 June 2024 about the barrier located on George Street, near the Supreme Courts. The Lord Mayor referred your enquiry to me as Civic Cabinet Chair for Transport to provide a response.

I understand that the rail at this location has been in place since approximately 2016, and was installed to assist in reducing conflicts between pedestrians and cyclists in the area. This is a heavily utilised pedestrian zone which serves as a major route between the CBD, Roma Street Station and the Courts. The rail is designed to encourage cyclists to slow down when moving between the Supreme Court forecourt (a shared area with a signed 10km/h speed limit) and the kerb ramp for the signalised cycle crossing of George Street. It ensures that pedestrians are protected when walking through this busy zone. The rail's installation was due to a history of complaints and reports of cyclist behaviour which was putting pedestrians at risk.

Council has reviewed the location and is not aware of any incidents since its installation. As such, Council considers the rail provides an appropriate method of managing conflicts between pedestrians and cyclists, and serves its intended purpose of creating a safer shared footpath for all users. As such, there are no plans to remove the rail at this time.

If you would like to discuss this further, please contact Mr Thomas Thai, Senior Transport Planner, directly on 3403 3424.

Thank you for contacting the Lord Mayor.

Yours sincerely

Councillor Ryan Murphy  
**CIVIC CABINET CHAIR FOR TRANSPORT**

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