

Appendix 2

Terms of Reference for review of proposal to remove through traffic from Widcombe parade

The Council would like to commission an independent review of the scheme to advise on:

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