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We, the leaders of five of the UK's biggest professional and trade bodies in the built environment sector with collective membership of 100,000 professionals, are collectively asking you and every UK local authority and mayoralty, to take collective consistent action to prevent further tragic collisions between construction vehicles and your community.

Over 5,500 vulnerable road users are killed or injured every year in collisions on Britain's roads with vehicles commonplace in construction – that's 20 people every working day. 44% are pedestrians, 28% motorcyclists and 28% are cyclists. The human, financial and societal costs of these often avoidable collisions is enormous – tragic loss of life, £1bn/annum to just support serious injury collision survivors, the personal trauma for the casualty, their family, the driver and witnesses, and of course reputational damage for those associated with the collision.

Your community is unnecessarily suffering, with 28,325 people dying or being injured in these collisions in the last 5 years across Britain. That number will at least double as every progressive UK city and town seek to double or triple Active Travel to minimise Covid-19 and to radically improve air quality, congestion, population health and more, compounded by boosted construction activity to stimulate the economy. [Please watch this 4-minute video](#) to hear how people are currently needlessly hurt and hear our collective call for you and other leaders to take positive action.

[CLOCS works](#). When councils and industry work together to adopt the **Construction Logistics and Community Safety** (CLOCS) Standard, we all save lives and money. Simple low cost defined actions by planners, construction clients, and principal contractors consistently reduce collisions by 47%, within 2 years, reduce complaints by 37% and reduce construction and fleet operator costs too. The CLOCS Standard was developed by over 100 businesses and regulators working together; over 350 companies and organisations are already CLOCS Champions, each co-investing a small amount to collaboratively achieve great things together.

Work with CLOCS, RoadPeace and the industry to make a difference now – to save lives, cut costs, cut carbon and simply do the right thing. Join leaders from Manchester, London, Cardiff and elsewhere by publicly committing to collaboratively implement the CLOCS Standard, by:

- Ensuring your authority's construction **procurement** requires project teams to meet the national CLOCS Standard
- Using **Planning** Conditions to require all credible-risk construction projects to meet CLOCS Standard incl. effective Construction Logistics Plans
- Committing to publish progress made in reducing construction related collisions by 2024
- Co-investing in CLOCS to save lives and money – co-investing with the private sector and other cities to maximise the individual and collective improvement at minimum cost.

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