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Sustainable Traffic, Transport and Parking Plan – New Pedestrian Countdown Timer

As part of the Draft Sustainable Traffic, Transport and Parking Plan, HM Government of Gibraltar is pleased to announce the launch of a pilot countdown timer system for the traffic light crossing at the Line Wall Road junction by City Hall. This is in keeping with its commitment to improve traffic arrangements and pedestrian safety.

The pilot scheme will improve the existing crossing by eliminating the flashing amber light sequence for vehicles and will therefore provide safer passage for pedestrians crossing the road. The timer provides pedestrian users a visual countdown of the time remaining for safe crossing before the traffic lights continue the cycle to allow vehicular movement.

This countdown timer is the first of this kind installed in Gibraltar, commonly seen in other EU cities and indeed many cities worldwide.

The Minister for Transport, Traffic & Technical Services, Paul Balban said:

“Following the recent launch of the Draft Sustainable Traffic, Transport and Parking Plan, it gives me great satisfaction to pilot this new countdown timer toucan crossing that should make crossing much safer for pedestrians and benefit road users.”