

# Council vehicle continues to use pavement as parking bay

Paul from Fountainbridge has been in touch to tell us about the council vehicles which continue to use the pavement in Cowgate to park on, despite the council saying it is not a parking bay.

The damage to the pavement is obvious from the chalk markings which Paul added to the pavement on Sunday morning. All of these 48 paving slabs outside the SOCO development opposite Blair Street have been damaged and are now either broken or wobbly.

The vehicles were being used by council workers cleaning the nearby close but the articulated vehicles appear to belong to Sainsbury's.

Paul explained : "The pavement was never designed to handle this traffic."

He posted these photos on Twitter :

*And some more [pic.twitter.com/6MBrF3Pk4Z](https://pic.twitter.com/6MBrF3Pk4Z)*

*– Laird of Fountainbridge (@fountainbridge) [April 28, 2019](#)*

"And yet the Scottish Parly are proposing an exception to the pavement parking ban to allow loading!"

Paul has written to the local councillors about this and we await their response, but it does seem that this area will

have to be repaired at the council's expense.

And further in relation to an area of land on Fountainbridge he explains that the council plans to make a lay-by there and cut down the width of the pavement. There are only two days left to object to that. Objections to [trafficorders@edinburgh.gov.uk](mailto:trafficorders@edinburgh.gov.uk) quoting ref RS0/19/04