

21st December 2022

To the Owner/Occupier

Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Romford Road Active Travel scheme – Phase 1

Newham Council is committed to encouraging active travel so that more people choose to walk, cycle or use public transport to get to where they need to. Better health, cleaner air and quieter streets are some of the benefits of active travel.

Romford Road is a key part of our 15-minute neighbourhoods programme, which aims to create better roads and streets so that people can carry out their regular day-to-day activities within 15 minutes from their homes - whether walking, cycling or by public transport.

The Romford Road Active Travel scheme will make changes to Romford Road so that it is more people friendly, and less dominated by vehicles.

The feedback from our early engagement in November reflects overall support for the scheme's objectives, which include:

- making it easier and safer for people to choose to walk, cycle and use public transport for local journeys
- improving road safety and reduce the risk of traffic accidents
- creating a better road that people enjoy using.

As Romford Road is a Strategic Road Network within the Greater London Authority (GLA) boundary, this means that any changes to traffic lights will require an approval process from Transport for London (TfL) to assess the impacts on those.

While we are progressing this process with TfL, we are proposing changes to sections that have no impacts on traffic lights and bus journeys.

Phase 1 includes the following two sections of Romford Road:

- between Water Lane and Radlett Close (north side)
- between Woodgrange Road and Richmond Road (north side)

The proposal includes:

1. Creating a stepped separated cycle lane
2. Improving pavements where these are unsafe
3. Creating blended crossings
4. Improving Atherton Leisure Centre bus stop
5. Identifying locations for possible new trees and planting
6. Removing and relocating some of the parking from Romford Road onto side roads

7. Creating safer loading and unloading facilities

In order to make these improvements some parking bays on Romford Road will need to be relocated on Ferns Road (3 new bays) and on Carnarvon Road (2 bays). The change will result in a net loss of three parking bays which is essential to make Romford Road safer for people walking or cycling.

Documents giving detailed particulars of the proposed plan can be made available during normal office hours on Monday to Friday by telephoning 020 3373 6415, by emailing traffic.orders@newham.gov.uk, or inspected at Newham Dockside, 1000 Dockside Road E16 2QU.

Any objections and comments relating to the proposal must be made in writing by 18th January 2022 and all objections must specify the grounds on which they are made.

They should be sent to the Director of Highways, Transportation & Parking, London Borough of Newham, 3rd Floor West, Newham Dockside, 1000 Dockside Road, London E16 2QU or by email to: traffic.orders@newham.gov.uk.

For more information on the Romford Road Active Travel scheme and proposals for Phase 1 visit: <https://newhamco-create.co.uk/en/projects/luf-romford>.



Yours faithfully,

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