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Hackney Downs Station Area Public Realm Improvements

Public consultation

25 August 2025

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Overview

Have your say on proposed changes to Hackney Downs, Amhurst Road junction with Sandringham Road and Dalston Lane junction with Navarino Road.

Hackney Council is proposing changes to the streets and public spaces around Hackney Downs Station to make them safer, greener, and more accessible for everyone. These proposals respond to earlier feedback about safety concerns, poor public realm, and the need for more space to walk, cycle and access public transport. The work forms part of a wider programme of improvements across Hackney Central, made possible through £19 million in funding from Central Government.

We want to hear your views on the proposals before finalising the designs.

Why we're making changes?

Previous consultations, including the Reimagining Amhurst Road engagement in 2023, told us:

- Pedestrian crossings around Dalston Lane and Hackney Downs Station feel unsafe and confusing
- Narrow pavements and poor lighting make it difficult to move around on foot, particularly under the railway bridge
- Bus stops are not always conveniently located or accessible

We've used this feedback, alongside input from local engineers and transport partners, to develop new proposals. These aim to improve the way the area looks and works, especially for people walking, cycling, or using public transport.



What's being proposed?

Hackney Downs Station area

This is the area around Hackney Downs Station and Dalston Lane. Key changes include:

- A new parallel zebra crossing on Dalston Lane, on a raised table, to make it safer to cross
- Widened pavements and new seating, trees and planting to create a more welcoming environment
- **Relocation of an existing modal filter** from Marcon Place to Spurstowe Terrace, to better manage through-traffic and improve road safety
- Repositioned bus stops to improve station access and ease congestion
- Upgraded lighting and paving materials to improve safety and durability
- Wayland Avenue and Sigdon Road to become two way road
- Removal of two parking bays to improve visibility and reduce conflict between road users along Sigdon Road
- Improved lighting

Amhurst Road junction with Sandringham Road

This busy corridor connects Hackney Downs to Sandringham Road and beyond. Proposed improvements include:

- A new parallel zebra crossing near Sandringham Road
- Wider pavements, new buildouts, and **shared surfaces** for people walking and cycling
- New trees, cycle hangars, and public seating
- No new traffic filters or closures, changes focus on layout and greening to support safer movement and reduce vehicle dominance
- Proposal of 4 parking bays
- Removal of nine parking bays to relocate the bus stop and locate the zebra crossing making Amhurst safer to cross

Dalston Lane junction with Navarino Road

Navarino Road connects Dalston Lane to residential streets and green spaces. The proposals include:

- A new raised parallel zebra crossing at the junction with Dalston Lane
- Buildouts and shared surface areas to support walking and cycling
- Removal of three parking bays to improve visibility and reduce conflict between road users along Navarino Road
- Removal of one parking bay to improve visibility and reduce conflict between road users along Wayland Avenue
- Planting, trees and better paving to make the street feel more open and accessible
- No road closures or modal filters are proposed here
- Wayland Avenue and Sigdon Road to become two way road

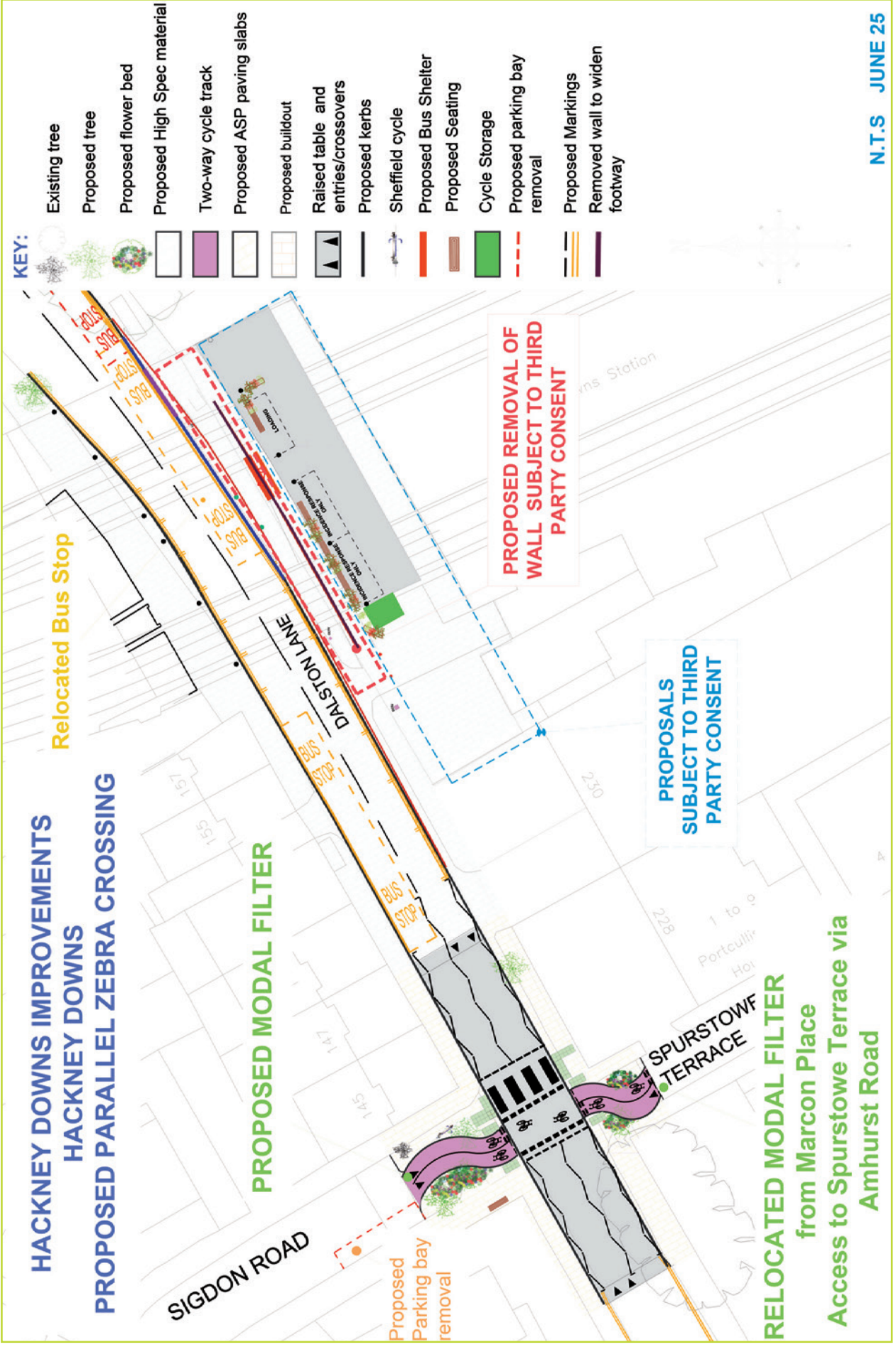
Key outcomes we aim to deliver

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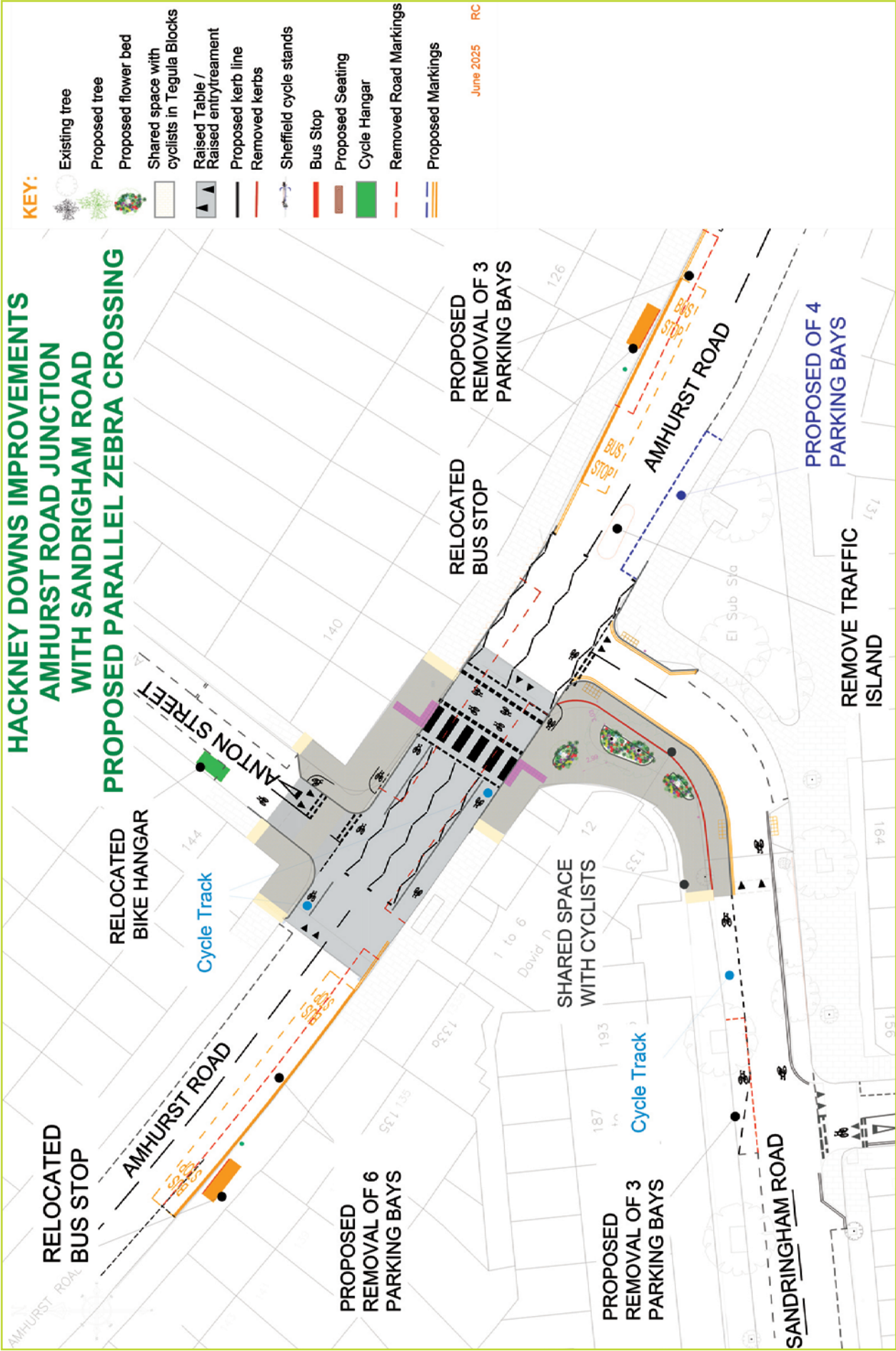
- A safer, more pleasant environment for pedestrians and cyclists
- Improved access to Hackney Downs Station and bus stops
- Greener streets with more trees, planting and seating
- Reduced traffic speeds and better traffic management
- Enhanced lighting, paving, and materials to uplift the area

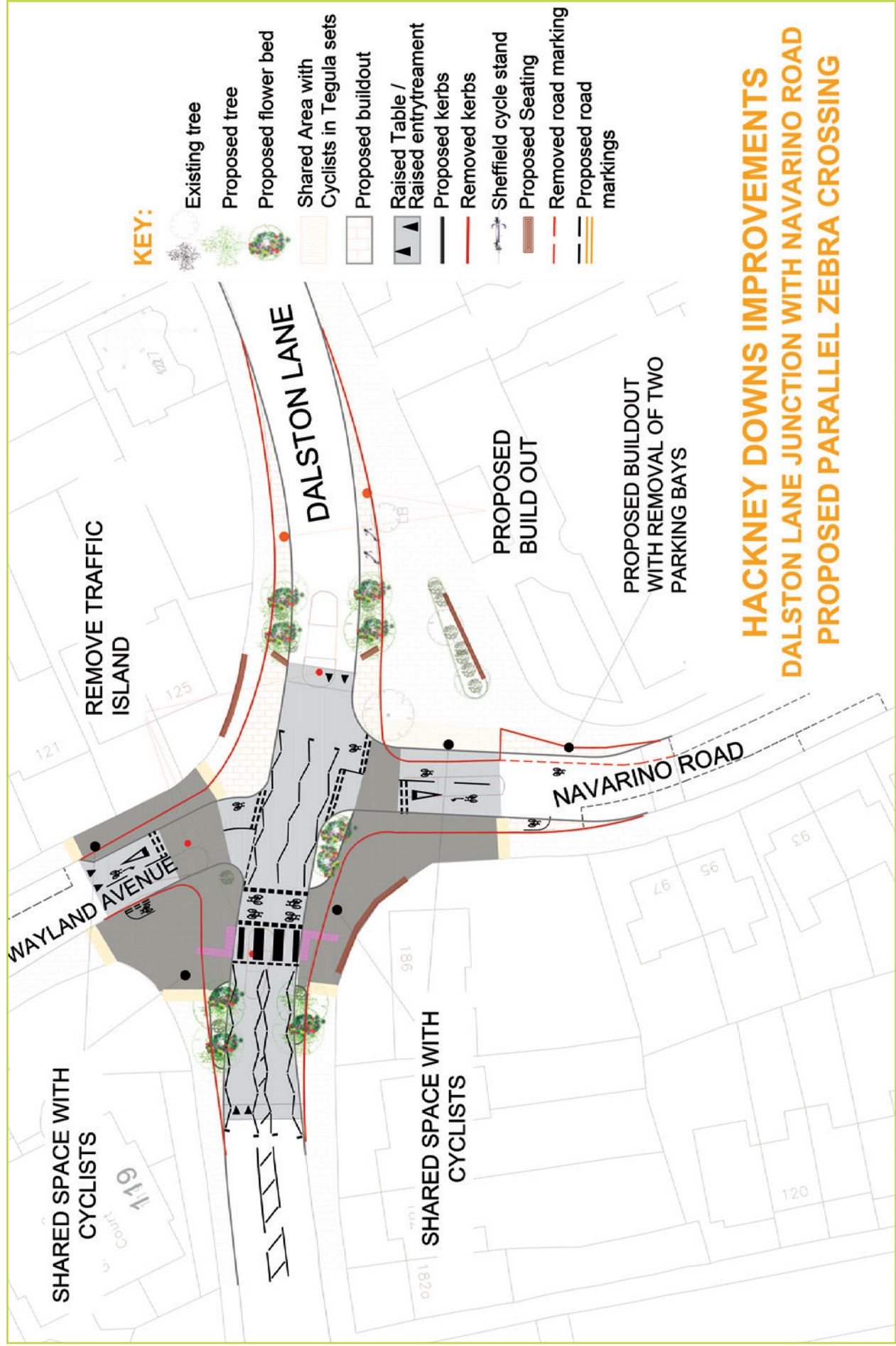


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Amhurst Road junction with Sandringham Road





Tell us what you think

We want to hear your views. You can respond to the proposals for the whole area or focus on a specific location. Your feedback will help shape the final designs and ensure they meet the needs of everyone who lives, works or travels through the area.

You can have your say by:

- Completing our online questionnaire at bit.ly/HackneyDownsStreets
- Sending us a written response using the enclosed Freepost envelope.
- Attending an in-person drop-in session to discuss the proposals with our team.

The consultation closes on **25 August 2025**.

Find out more

We're holding a drop-in event where you can speak to council officers, ask questions and learn more about the proposals:

- Saturday 19 July, 11am–2pm
Hackney Town Hall Square

We're also consulting on related proposals in Dalston to reduce traffic and improve safety and public space. If you live, work or travel through that area, you can find out more and have your say online: bit.ly/DalstonLN

What happens next?

Following this consultation, we will review all feedback and make necessary refinements to the design. The final scheme will be published online, and subject to approvals, implementation is expected to begin in **October 2025**.



For more information, contact Hackney Council at **streetscene.consultations@hackney.gov.uk** or call **020 8356 2897**.

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Thank you for your participation in shaping the future of Hackney's streets.

