


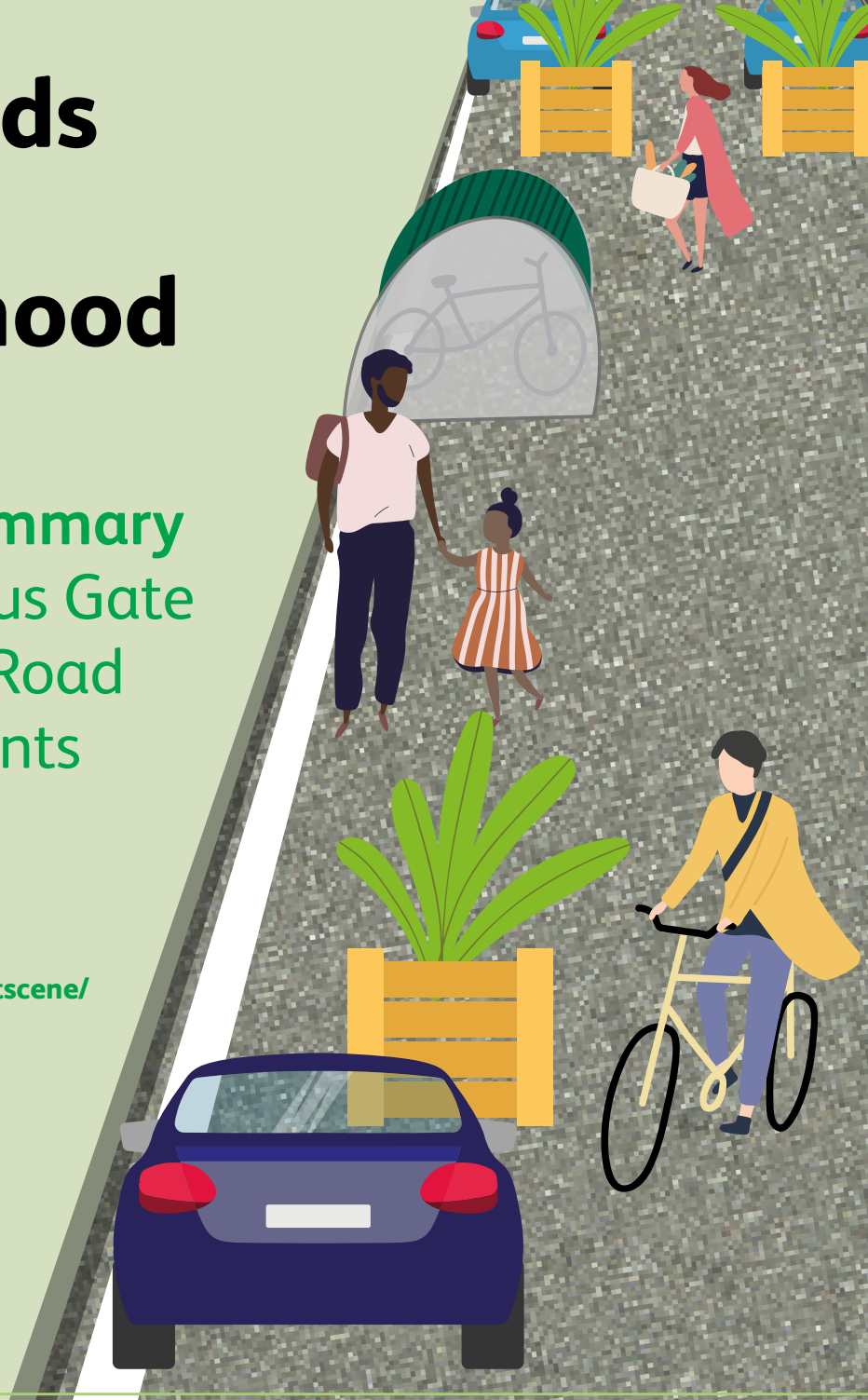
London Fields Low Traffic Neighbourhood (LTN)

Decision report summary Lansdowne Drive Bus Gate and Queensbridge Road Cycling Improvements

March 2024

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We're committed in our Transport Strategy to making Hackney's roads safer for everyone living in, working in and visiting the borough. We aim to create an environment that will encourage more walking and cycling, improve air quality and reduce emissions in the borough.

Following the permanent approval of the London Fields Low Traffic Neighbourhood (LTN) traffic filters and cycling improvements at Queensbridge Road in February 2022, we have since consulted on two proposals that seek to improve the operation of

the LTN. In February / March 2023, we consulted on a proposed change in the operational times for the Lansdowne Drive bus gate. This consultation was followed by a consultation in November / December 2023 on the replacement of the existing temporary cycling measures with permanent ones at Queensbridge Road between Whiston Road and Albion Drive in December 2023. For more information on the London Fields LTN, visit hackney.gov.uk/london-fields-ltn

Decision on the Lansdowne Drive bus gate: Change of operational times from 7-10am and 3-7pm Monday to Friday to 7am-7pm Monday to Sunday

We have analysed the responses received from residents, carried out a comprehensive equalities impact assessment and looked at the impact of the changes in operational times on groups with protected characteristics, such as race, gender and disability.

After considering this information, we have now made a decision to change the operational times of the Lansdowne Drive bus gate from 7-10 am and 3-7pm Monday to Friday to 7am-7pm Monday to Sunday. This will also bring the operational hours of the Lansdowne Drive bus gate in line with the standard bus gate operational times in the borough which are either 24/7 or 7am-7pm Monday to Sunday. Furthermore, it will:

- assist with improving local air quality, reducing car dominance and improving road safety particularly in areas such as Broadway Market which experience increased pedestrian activity during market days and are not sufficiently covered by the existing restrictions
- help reduce daytime east-west non-local traffic using residential roads such as Pownall Road, Trederwen Road, Lansdowne Drive and Westgate Street (outside London Fields Primary School where traffic flows tend to increase outside the existing bus gate operational times)

- allow disabled residents who hold a companion e-badge to drive through the bus gate, by applying the HAC01 permit to this location. For more information, visit hackney.gov.uk/blue-badge
- align the operational times of the Lansdowne Drive bus gate with other restrictions in the borough, for a more standardised bus gate operational times across the borough which are either 24/7 or 7am-7pm, Monday to Sunday, to help improve driver compliance.

Leaving the existing operational times as they are was considered but not accepted as it will result in through traffic continuing to use residential roads to get to higher ranking roads.

This is contrary to the Council's Transport Strategy and 2019 Climate Emergency Declaration which states the Council's ambition to achieve a 45% reduction in emissions against 2010 levels and net zero emissions by 2040.

We will now proceed to advertise the traffic orders for the changes in the operational times of the bus gate. As part of this scheme, we will also implement improvements to further highlight the presence of the bus gate. Subject to the outcome of the statutory consultation, we hope to start implementing the scheme after May 2024. More details on the implementation dates will be shown on advance warning boards which will be installed shortly before the works start.



Decision on Queensbridge Road Cycling Improvements

We have analysed the responses from residents and have made the decision to move forward with implementing the proposals with minimal changes following technical considerations and recommendations from residents.

The following measures will be implemented at the Whiston Road junction with Queensbridge Road:

- Installing a raised junction table and low level cycle signals with an early release facility at the Whiston Road junction
- Installing a pedestrian / cycle crossing at the Denne Terrace crossing near the canal bridge
- Undertaking pavement refurbishment along Queensbridge Road using standard materials, except for the bespoke pavement material at Brownlow Road which will be retained
- Installing the existing zebra crossing on raised tables
- Planting trees and installing rain gardens with Sustainable Drainage System (SuDS) infrastructure at the Shrubland Road and Brownlow Road junctions
- Installing raised entry tables with blended pedestrian crossings at most side roads.

Road works between Whiston Road and Pownall Road are scheduled to start during the week commencing 4 March 2024 and will be completed by the end of July 2024.

Subject to funding, works between Pownall Road and Albion Drive will be implemented between July and September 2024. The works will be implemented using appropriate traffic management measures which will include road closures and lane closures with temporary traffic signals. Delays to traffic in the Queensbridge Road area will be expected for the duration of the works.

Possible relocation of the A10 traffic filters

When the London Fields LTN traffic filters were made permanent in February 2022, we set out to review the way the existing arrangement is working in order to reduce high traffic flows at Laurel Street and Forest Road. We are currently in the final stages of preparing the consultation which will launch within the next few weeks. Residents in the area around Queensbridge Road will be informed of the consultation and an online version of the consultation will be available at consultation.hackney.gov.uk

Whiston Road Cycling Improvements

Investigations are currently in progress for a possible cycling scheme at Whiston Road. Residents will be consulted on proposals following the technical feasibility stage of the design. The Council is currently seeking funding for a possible scheme.

Contact us

Should you require further information or have any comments on these schemes please contact the Hackney Service Centre by telephone on **020 8356 2897** or email streetscene.enquiries@hackney.gov.uk



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