



Rivington Street and Charlotte Road

Pedestrian, Cycle and
Air Quality Improvements

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What is this document about?

This document outlines Hackney Council's proposals to improve the environment for cycling and walking on the Central London Cycle Grid along Rivington Street and its junction with Charlotte Road.

Why are changes being proposed for this road?

The Council is committed to making Hackney's roads safer for everyone living, working and visiting the Borough. Creating an environment that will encourage more walking and cycling is a key part of the Council's Transport Vision and an essential part of Hackney's Transport Strategy.

Hackney Council has partnered with other London authorities and Transport for London (TfL) to deliver the Central London Cycle Grid (CLG). The CLG is a network of cycle routes in Central London Zone 1, containing a mixture of Cycle Superhighway and Quietway routes. Quietways are well sign posted, connected cycle routes that provide an attractive and accessible environment for cyclists on low-traffic roads.

More detailed information on the CLG, along with a number of other cycle initiatives can be found on TfL's website: <https://tfl.gov.uk/travel-information/improvements-and-projects/central-london-cycling-grid>

In addition, The Mayor of London has awarded Mayor's Air Quality Funding to create a Low Emission Neighbourhood (LEN) in the City Fringe. The LEN is a tri-borough initiative between Hackney, Islington and Tower Hamlets Councils and will include a package of measures focussed on reducing emissions and promoting sustainable travel to improve the local air quality. An integral part of this focusses on public realm improvements to encourage more walking, cycling and low emission vehicles. This scheme forms part of the LEN and wider public realm vision to improve walking and cycling links across Shoreditch and Hoxton.

Therefore, to achieve a safer, more pleasant environment on the CLG and the LEN in Hackney, a number of improvements have been identified and designed. This scheme will be funded by TfL and the London Mayor's Air Quality Fund and Hackney Council will implement the scheme.

The section of CLG being consulted on in this document includes Rivington Street from Great Eastern Street to the junction with Charlotte Road, which forms part of the wider CLG Quietway route 13 (Q13) that runs from Farringdon to Broadway Market.

This CLG route has been prioritised for delivery in 2016/17 and will create a better street environment for residents, businesses, pedestrians and cyclists, whilst maintaining access for residents and allowing businesses to continue to operate.

What are the proposals?

Please refer to the detailed plan enclosed.

① Rivington Street between Great Eastern Street and Garden Walk

It is proposed to relocate the existing parking bays to improve the westbound cycle contraflow along this one-way road, making it safer for cyclists travelling in the opposite direction towards oncoming traffic.

The current cycle contraflow arrangement forces cyclists to ride very close to parked vehicles increasing the risk of collisions when someone opens the door on the path of a cyclist.

The current arrangement also encourages travelling westbound cyclists to ride in the middle of the road risking a head on collision with a vehicle travelling eastbound.

The Proposals include:

Relocating the existing permit holders and motorcycle parking bays located on the southern side of Rivington Street, to the other side of the road. The overall number of permit holders and motorcycle parking spaces in this section of Rivington Street will not change.

Relocating the parking bays to the northern side of Rivington Street will make this section safer for cyclists, making it more attractive and encouraging more people to cycle along this route and the wider Q13.

② Rivington Street – Charlotte Road junction

This junction is a place where local workers, residents and visitors pass through, but at the moment it is a confusing place with insufficient identity that doesn't cater to its users, especially pedestrians and cyclists.

Hackney wants to improve the public realm at the Rivington Street – Charlotte Road junction, bringing benefits for the local community and making walking and cycling at this location easier and more accessible.

The Proposals include:

- Raising the junction and the approaches and using different materials to encourage drivers to slow down, making it safer for people walking and cycling at the junction.
- Introducing a shared space area at the junction with a kerb-free flat surface with no barriers, allowing pedestrians, cyclists and vehicles to occupy the same space, with more freedom of movement.
- Enhancing the public realm to improve the overall value of the junction, including high quality materials to improve aesthetics and recognise the architectural quality of adjoining buildings.
- Removing kerbs to allow easier movement around for wheelchair users, the elderly and those with pushchairs.
- Relocating the motorcycle parking bay on Charlotte Road (north) to the other side of the road to create deflection and reduce vehicle speeds on the southbound approach to the junction.
- Relocating the cycle parking on Charlotte Road (north) to Charlotte Road (south) to improve access.

- Minimising the use of traffic signs and road markings to reduce clutter.

Please refer to the enclosed drawings for details of the proposals. Additionally, visit consultation.hackney.gov.uk to find out more about the specific locations within the scheme where improvements are proposed.

How to have your say

Your views are important to us and will help shape our decision making.

- A questionnaire has been provided for you to give your views on the outlined proposals. Please read and return your completed questionnaire in the **FREEPOST** envelope provided or online by **Friday 20 January 2017**.
- If you wish to complete the questionnaire online, visit: consultation.hackney.gov.uk.
- Alternatively, you can also attend a drop-in session:

Date	Location
Wednesday 18 January 2017 6pm - 9pm	Hackney House, 25-27 Curtain Road, EC2A 3LT

What happens next?

Your views will be taken into account as part of the detailed design process. We expect construction works to commence around **February 2017** with completion in **May 2017**.

During the works a temporary full closure to traffic will be in operation at the junction between Rivington Street and Charlotte Road for approximately 10 weeks. Lane closures will be required to relocate the parking bays along the western section of Rivington Street.

Businesses will continue to operate as normal and the Council will be contacting business owners to discuss loading arrangements during the works.

Pedestrian access will be maintained at all times.

Information

A notification will be sent out prior to work starting on site.

Thank you for taking the time to give us your feedback.



For further information on these proposals, visit: consultation.hackney.gov.uk or please contact the Hackney Service Centre by calling: **020 8356 2897** or by emailing: info@hackney.gov.uk

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