

# Wick Road Improvement Scheme

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### What is this document about?

This document outlines Hackney Council's proposals for improving the Wick Road area between Kenworthy Road and Morning Lane, including:

- reverting Wick Road to two-way traffic
- adding better pedestrian crossings
- creating separate cycle tracks in both directions
- replacing trees
- removing some car parking.

# Why are these changes being proposed?

We want to create high quality environments that are safe, healthy and pleasant to live in, work and visit. Key to this aim is a movement towards streets that are not dominated by cars. We propose to make the Wick Road area more pleasant for people to walk and cycle, including pupils, parents and teachers at St Dominic's Primary School.

We consulted on a design in 2015, and received a number of comments and suggestions. This design has taken many of those suggestions into account, including:

- keeping the contra flow cycle link between Bradstock Road and Barnabas Road
- better and safer off-road cycle routes
- reducing the volume and impact of on-street and footway parking
- addressing concerns with accidents and speeding
- improving the walking environment.

### What are the benefits?

### For walking

Better crossing points at the three signal junctions and 'informal' (i.e. not signal or zebra) raised crossings between Morning Lane and Barnabas Road, and Barnabas Road and Kenworthy Road. The majority of kerbside parking will be removed, making the environment more pleasant and safe.

### For cycling

Cycle tracks will mean that people will be able to cycle off the road. The signalised cycling link north-south between Bradstock Road and Barnabas Road will be retained.

### For bus users

Buses will be able to travel west to east, which will improve the bus links from Wick Road into the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park area. New bus stops will be created.

### For local residents

The two-way traffic will improve vehicle access to the local roads and estates and the A12 from the west. This will reduce 'rat-running' on many local roads, improving local air quality and lowering vehicle speeds.

#### For the environment

Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems (SUDS) will be created, the lighting upgraded to LED units and the footpaths and carriageways will be resurfaced. New trees will be planted to replace a number of diseased trees.

# What are the revised proposals to improve Wick Road?

### Changes to the road

- Convert the traffic on Wick Road from oneway to two-way between Kenworthy Road and Morning Lane
- Upgrade the traffic signals at the junctions of Morning Lane/ Wick Road, Barnabas Road/Wick Road and Kenworthy Road/Wick Road/Brookfield Road/Cassland Road with improved pedestrian crossing facilities
- Remove all parking from the north and south sides of Wick Road (retaining a loading bay for the Public House). Some footway parking will be retained
- Reverse the one way flow on Brookfield Road (from southbound to northbound)

- to prevent large queues building up at the junction of Wick Road/Kenworthy Road
- Ban traffic movements into Brookfield Road from Wick Road and Kenworthy Road to ensure that the road does not become a 'rat-run'
- New 20mph speed limit road markings and signs
- Resurface the carriageway.

### Improvements to pedestrian facilities

- Upgrade junctions with improved crossing facilities
- Provide informal pedestrian crossings midway between Morning Lane – Barnabas Road and between Barnabas Road – Kenworthy Road
- Upgrade footways.

### New cycling infrastructure

- An off-road cycle track along most of the north side of Wick Road, with an on-carriageway cycle lane approaching Kenworthy Road (where the footway narrows substantially)
- An off-road cycle track along the entire south side of Wick Road
- Keep the existing cycle track connecting Barnabas Road and Bradstock Road.

### New bus stops

 Three new bus stops along the north side of Wick Road (eastbound)

### New environmental measures

- Removal and replacement of a number of diseased or dying trees
- Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems (SUDS) to mitigate against increased rainfall and potential flooding
- Energy saving LED street lighting.

### For more information

To find out more about the scheme, please visit: www.hackney.gov.uk/wick-road. The web page will be updated throughout the process.

Or email the Streetscene Team at streetscene.consultation@hackney.gov.uk

## Have your say

Your views are important and will help shape the final details. Please read through this document and complete the enclosed feedback form with your comments.

Please complete the questionnaire, at consultation.hackney.gov.uk. Alternatively, complete and return the questionnaire in the Freepost envelope provided by Monday 28 August 2017. The envelope does not need a stamp.

# What happens next?

- This consultation closes on Monday 28
   August 2017
- Your views will be taken into account as part of the detailed design process
- The results of this consultation will be available at: www.hackney.gov.uk/wick-road
- Construction will start in late autumn 2017.

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