

Our healthy Walworth: Streetspace Review

Have your say

Last year, we introduced experimental road changes in Walworth to re-purpose the street space and create a healthier, more active and greener environment for all.

We want to hear your views on the experimental road changes and give you the opportunity to shape how the street space could be transformed.



Visual 1 Cooks Road

We want to hear from people in all social and economic communities as well as those who run a business or have a disability.

The consultation exercise includes a survey which is available to everyone.

This will be available from 12 July 2021 until 5 September 2021. The link to the consultation can be found here:

www.southwark.gov.uk/ohwalworthreview

Your individual responses and personal details will not be published. It will be used to help understand how residents' views differ across the Walworth area.

If you have registered to receive a paper copy, this will be sent to you.

If you do not have access to the internet and have not registered, please request a paper questionnaire by writing to:

Highways – Walworth Review, 3rd Floor, Hub 2, 160 Tooley Street, London, SE1 2QH

We will be getting in contact with businesses, local schools and the disabled and elderly to understand the specific views of these community members.



Visual 2 Alberta Street

Talk to the team

If you would like to find out more about the measures, and ask the team questions we are running some events for local residents and businesses.

Online meetings:

- Wednesday 4 August at 6pm
- Saturday 21 August at 2pm
- Wednesday 1 September at 6pm

To book into any or all of these meetings please visit: <https://walworthreview.eventbrite.co.uk>

Pop up stands:

There will be pop-up stand events throughout July and August where you can speak to the team and ask questions.

To find the dates and locations of these pop up stands go to:

www.southwark.gov.uk/ohwalworthreview

Why did we make these changes?

Overall, across the borough, we want to:

- Improve road safety.
- Reduce carbon emissions to help tackle the climate emergency.
- Make walking and cycling an enjoyable, safe and easy way to get around.
- Reduce inequalities in health and wellbeing.
- Reduce the amount of cut-through traffic.
- Reduce parking pressure for local residents.
- Encourage people to shop locally to support businesses and reduce car use.
- Improve air quality and reduce pollution and noise levels.
- Make more space on our pavements for social distancing to help keep everyone safe from COVID-19.

The changes in Walworth aim to:

- Re-purpose the street space for the community to relax, enjoy, socialise and support local business.
- Create safe spaces for active travel and play by reducing through traffic.
- Maintain and improve bus reliability.

Walworth Low-Emission Neighbourhood (LEN)

The council is working with local communities, schools and businesses to improve air quality, create healthier public spaces in Walworth, promote sustainable living and highlight some of the rich local history.

The trial road changes introduced are closely aligned with the aims of the Walworth LEN.

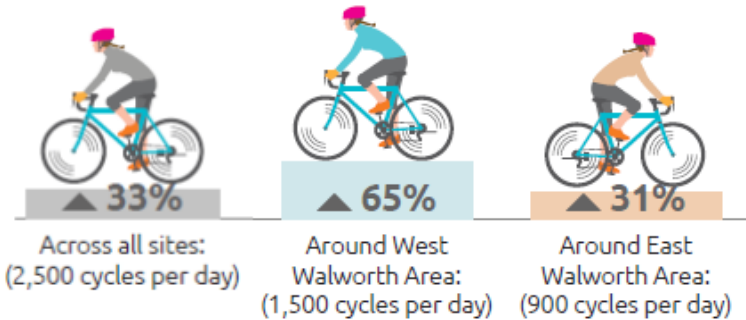
What are the timescales for the review?



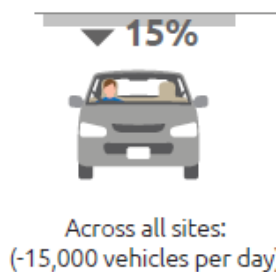
What are the interim monitoring results from the review?

We have analysed the traffic and cycling data from traffic counts in April 2021 and have compared these with traffic counts before the experimental road changes were introduced.

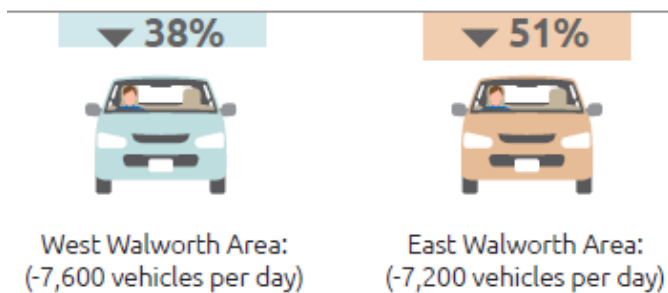
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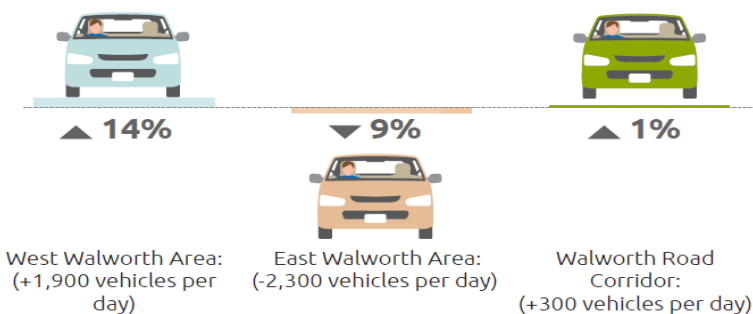


Internal Roads



External Roads

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Where traffic has increased we will continue to monitor and will investigate potential mitigation measures.

Further monitoring of traffic and cycling has been carried out in June and July 2021 which will help to improve our understanding of the impact of the trial road changes.

What else are we monitoring?

Air Quality modelling is underway to evaluate the impact of the measures.

Equality Impact Assessments will be updated with outcome of consultation and engagement with protected characteristic groups.

Additional counts to analyse trip destinations, and cycling and pedestrian movements.

Further details and monitoring reports can be found at:

www.southwark.gov.uk/ohwalworthreview

Creating more space for the community

We are creating more space on local streets for the community to use.

In July and August we will be making some temporary changes to the trial measures at Amelia Street, Cooks Road and Alberta Street. This will be an opportunity for the community to see how the street space could be used once cars are reduced.

The changes will include temporary seating, greenery and planting, colourful artwork designed by the local community and cycle parking.

We will also be consulting on a number of cycle hangars in Walworth to make it easier for you to cycle and making some changes to parking to increase capacity or improve traffic flow. To find out more about these changes go to:

www.southwark.gov.uk/ohwalworthreview

We are changing the closures at Penton Place and Larcom Street to make them camera-controlled. This ensures access at all times for emergency services and exemptions for blue badge holders. To find out more about exemptions for blue badge holders and the experimental road changes you can go here:

www.southwark.gov.uk/streetspacebluebadgeexemptions

We have removed the seating area in Browning Street following stakeholder feedback and are working with the community to find other ways that we can re-purpose the street space so that it works for them.

How else could the street space be transformed?

By reducing cars on our streets we can provide more space for the community to enjoy. The trial road changes help us to achieve this by reducing through-traffic and encouraging more people to walk and cycle.

These illustrations demonstrate what we could do with street space that is re-purposed from through-traffic. The future of these measures will be informed by the consultation.



Visual 3 Browning Street



Visual 4 Amelia Street

Ultra Low Emission Zone expansion

From 25 October 2021, the existing central London Ultra Low Emission Zone (ULEZ) will expand to create a single larger zone up to, but not including, the North Circular Road (A406) and South Circular Road (A205).

Check if your vehicle meets the standards, search ULEZ 2021.

And finally...

It is really important that we listen to all of our community and work together to deliver a healthier, safer and greener area for all of our residents, businesses and visitors.

Completing this consultation and encouraging your friends and neighbours to do so as well gives us the best chance of delivering safer, greener streets which work for everyone.

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