

# Sustainable Transport Strategy

Southwark's vision for equitable,  
green and healthy streets by 2030

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# Why a Sustainable Transport Strategy?

Our Sustainable Transport Strategy sets out Southwark's approach to improve people's experience of travel to, from and around the borough. People's wellbeing and their experiences of moving sits at the heart of the strategy.

Faced with the realities of climate, health and air pollution crises, we need to act quickly and ambitiously against a background of declining funding. The strategy builds on the lessons learnt from the delivery of the Movement Plan 2019 and further engagement with the community.

To deliver the Sustainable Transport Strategy, we will coordinate with other teams and action plans across the council. By joining these strategies together, we can efficiently work together to deliver a single vision for the borough.



# Summary of Missions and Objectives

Mission	Objective
<b>People</b>	
<p><b>M1 Fairer streets for all</b></p> <p>Equity means taking everyone’s needs into account and providing a solution that is accessible, affordable, safe and fair to all. This principle will guide our approach to supporting transport in Southwark.</p>	<p>1. Prioritise equity in all transport schemes so everyone can achieve their potential.</p>
<p><b>M2 Deliver streets and spaces that support mental wellbeing</b></p> <p>We experience streets and spaces through our senses; and noisy, busy and cluttered spaces affect our mental wellbeing. We want to create enjoyable spaces that help people feel calm and relaxed</p>	<p>2. Create calm and simple streets</p>
<p><b>M3 Deliver streets and spaces that support physical wellbeing</b></p> <p>Despite the clear benefits of active travel and being more physically active, many barriers prevent people from doing it. Our focus will be to address these challenges to make it easier for people to get active and stay active.</p>	<p>3. Encourage people to get active and stay active</p> <p>4. Design our streets to enable everyone to use the space actively, efficiently and safely</p> <p>5. Provide infrastructure and facilities that support active travel</p>
<b>Place</b>	
<p><b>M4 Reduce Traffic</b></p> <p>Reducing traffic will reduce congestion, improve road safety and air quality, and create calmer, healthier streets with more space for people</p>	<p>6. Expand vehicle-free space and the wider pedestrian realm</p> <p>7. Reduce ownership of private cars</p> <p>8. Expand the shared mobility network</p> <p>9. Ensure the safe and efficient operation of the road network</p>
<p><b>M5 Transform our streets into social thriving neighbourhoods</b></p> <p>People should feel comfortable, secure and welcomed in their neighbourhood. It is where we live and spend most of our time. We want to create spaces that encourage people to participate in their community.</p>	<p>10. Creating thriving neighbourhoods with things to see and do, and places that encourage a sense of belonging.</p> <p>11. Make town centres attractive, thriving and diverse places for people and businesses</p>
<p><b>M6 Support sustainable and efficient freight and servicing</b></p> <p>The local economy is affected by how people and goods move around, and how people use public space. Proper management of freight and servicing can help support people and the local economy sustainably.</p>	<p>12. Support the development of a sustainable freight and servicing supply chain</p>

## Experience

### **M7 Safe clean and comfortable journey experience for all**

We tend to judge journeys in terms of the time taken to get from beginning to end. However, improving the quality of the journey itself is a big opportunity to encourage more people to travel sustainably by making it the more convenient and enjoyable choice.

13. Deliver Vision Zero: Zero people killed or seriously injured on our streets
14. Improve personal safety on streets and public places
15. Maintain our streets in good condition
16. Working with TfL and other transport operators to make public transport safe, accessible, and reliable for a growing population

### **M8 Places to be adaptable and resilient to climate change**

The council declared a climate emergency in 2019. Extreme weather will become more common as a result of climate change; we want places to mitigate these effects.

17. Mitigate flood risk
18. Use available space to introduce new greenery and opportunities for biodiversity

### **M9 Working together to deliver the Sustainable Transport strategy**

To feel seen and be heard, to be able to share your experience and views is important. Working collaboratively and towards the same goals with consistent messaging is also very important. Data and new technology will help us do that.

19. Be consistent in our messaging and ensure access to relevant information
20. Engage, support and co-create with communities
21. Work with schools and young people to deliver the Sustainable Transport Strategy
22. Collect and analyse data and stay up to date with new technologies to improve our practices

