

LOW TRAFFIC NEIGHBOURHOOD (LTN)

CHARLES ROAD AREA – INFORMAL CONSULTATION



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Proposal

As part of Merton's LTN programme, we have been successful in obtaining funding for the introduction of a LTN, aimed at removing rat running and to encourage safe walking and cycling within your local area.

The proposal include a non-physical road closure in Charles Road at its junction with Rutlish Road, with planter boxes narrowing the carriageway to warn motorists.

An Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) camera will enforce the proposed measures. Access for the emergency services, authorised service vehicles and cycles will not be affected. Please see plan overleaf.

LET US KNOW YOUR VIEWS

Consultation

To determine the level of support, we are undertaking an informal consultation between 18th January and 5th February 2021. The decision on whether or not to proceed with the next step, which would involve a statutory consultation on the proposals, will be subject to the responses received during this consultation. We would ask that you submit your questionnaire online using this link by no later than **5th February 2021**.

<https://www.merton.gov.uk/streets-parking-transport/traffic-management/low-traffic-neighbourhoods>

If however you are unable to complete the questionnaire on line and require a paper copy, please contact Traffic & Highways on 020 8545 3700, providing your full mailing address and quoting *LTN-Abbey Area*.

Please note - only one vote per address

We regret that due to the number of responses received during an informal consultation, it will not be possible to reply to each respondent. We welcome your comments on this proposal, which will be noted and included within the proposed measures where appropriate.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

The results of the consultation along with officers' recommendations will be shared with all Ward Councillors and presented to the Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Housing and Climate Change for a decision. Once a decision is made you will be informed accordingly.

Based on this consultation feedback, the Council may consider the following:

- To abandon the scheme.
- To Proceed to a 21 day statutory consultation prior to possible implementation.
- To Implement the proposal under an Experimental Traffic Management Order.
 - *This allows the Council to implement the restrictions during the statutory consultation period.*
 - *It allows the Council to assess and monitor the restriction and its impact.*
 - *It will enable residents and other road users to experience the restrictions thereby allowing them to make informed comments during the first 6 months of the statutory consultation after implementation.*

At the end of the Experimental Traffic Management Order, depending on the feedback received, the Council may choose to abandon the scheme, modify it or to make it permanent

For all updates and additional information, please refer to the website.

<https://www.merton.gov.uk/streets-parking-transport/covid-19-transport-projects>

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