



Montem Primary School and Samuel Rhodes Primary School

Update on proposed environmental improvements and a new cycleway



Consultation now open

Have your say between Monday 23 January
and Sunday 19 February 2023

Dear resident/business,

As part of our commitment to make our streets cleaner, greener, and healthier, we would like to deliver environmental improvements outside Montem Primary School and Samuel Rhodes Primary School.

As Montem and Samuel Rhodes Primary Schools are located on a main road, it is not possible to introduce traffic restrictions as we have outside our other 35 School Streets in Islington. We are proposing to improve the area by introducing environmental improvements such as greening, and pavement widening.

We are also proposing to introduce a northbound cycleway on this section of Hornsey Road to create a safer cycling space for children and families travelling to and from school.

We want to know what you think of the proposed plans and how we can improve this important space outside the schools.

Current Montem Primary School and Samuel Rhodes Primary School







Montem Primary School and Samuel Rhodes Primary School

Montem Primary School and Samuel Rhodes Primary School are priority schools for investment from the council in the second year of the School Streets environmental improvements programme.




Your feedback so far

In September, we ran a drop-in session for parents and residents, a workshop with school pupils and we spoke to businesses in the area. We asked people to tell us about any issues with the current street environment outside the school, and what sort of measures would improve it.

You told us these **issues** were a priority:

-  Pavement congestion
-  High traffic levels
-  Unpleasant street environment
-  Illegal parking on the road and footway

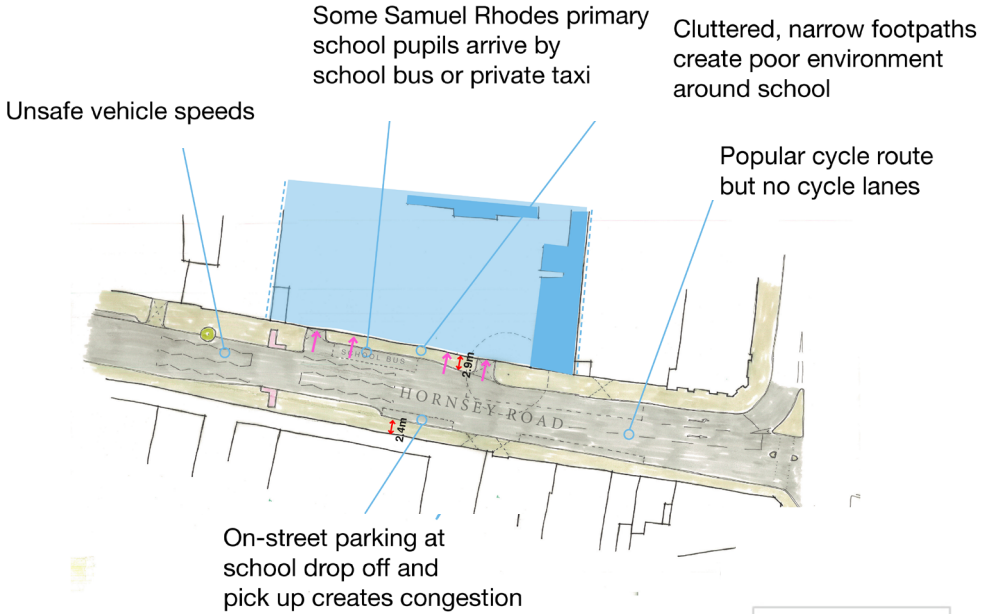
You told us you would like to see these **improvements**:

-  On street planting and greenery
-  Widening the footway
-  Artwork on the road and footway

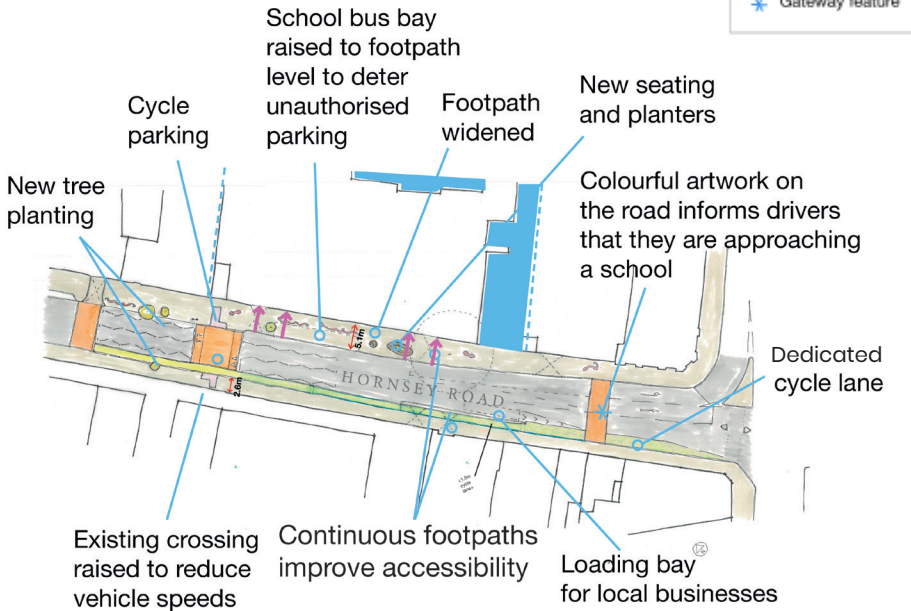
Using this feedback, we have developed designs for Hornsey Road, and we want to know what you think of the proposed environmental improvements and northbound cycleway.



Hornsey Road: Existing



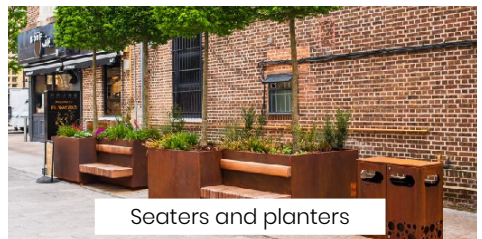
Hornsey Road: Proposed



Proposed changes to Hornsey Road

To improve the environment on Hornsey Road we are proposing to:

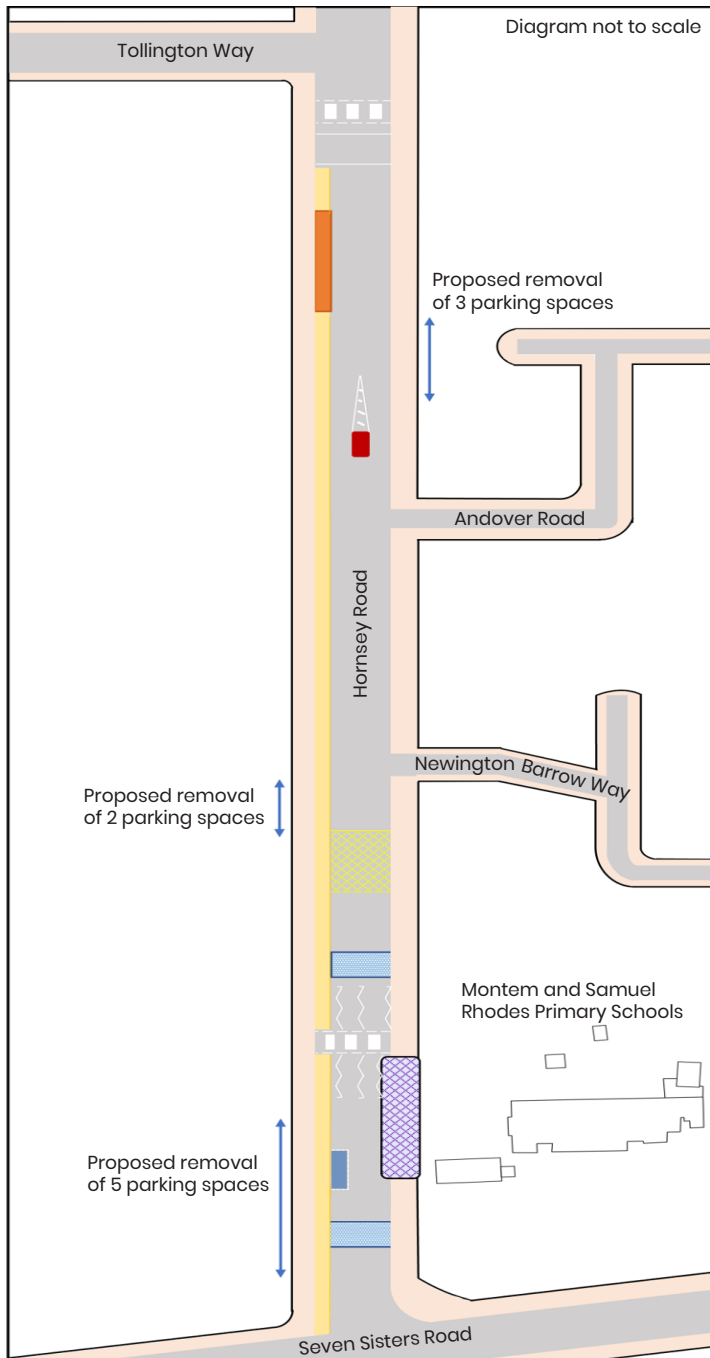
- Introduce **colourful artwork** on the road outside the school to make drivers aware of the school and encourage them to slow their speed.
- **Widen the footpath** outside the school, moving traffic and its emissions further from the school gate and improving air quality.
- **Raise the existing signalised pedestrian crossing** to footpath level, to slow down traffic and make it easier for pedestrians to use.
- Raise the existing **school bus waiting area** to footpath level to discourage illegal parking.
- Introduce new **greening** including planters and trees to improve air quality and create a more pleasant environment.
- Install new **seating** connected to new planters. This will provide a place for families to sit, rest and chat.
- Introduce **new continuous footpaths** in the area. These are uninterrupted footway across a side road or vehicle entrance that gives pedestrians priority over vehicles.
- Introduce a **northbound cycleway** from the junction with Seven Sisters Road to the junction of Tollington Way to make it safer to cycle to and from the schools and support future cycle network connections in the area. See more information on the next page.



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Hornsey Road: proposed northbound cycleway



Key

-  Proposed new northbound cycleway minimum 1.5m width
-  Existing bus stop
-  Existing pavements
-  Proposed widened pavements
-  Colourful artwork
-  Proposed traffic island to be removed and replaced with zebra crossing
-  Proposed new loading bay

Proposed northbound cycleway

As part of the environmental improvements outside Montem and Samuel Rhodes Primary Schools, we are proposing to introduce a new northbound cycleway. This new section of cycleway is the next step in the council's ambitions to create a safer cycling network in this area of Islington.

- The cycleway will run **northbound on Hornsey Road** beginning at the junction with Seven Sisters Road and run up to the junction of Tollington Way.
- The new cycleway will create a **dedicated cycle lane** for people to safely cycle along Hornsey Road, including children and families of Montem and Samuel Rhodes Primary Schools.
- It will form the next part of the **network of cycle routes** the council is developing, connecting with the existing and popular quietway on Sussex Way.
- The route will also run past St Mark's CofE Primary School on Sussex Way, creating a safe cycle route outside and between three primary schools.

To deliver the new cycleway and enable a dedicated cycle lane which will provide safer cycling for all, we will be required to:

- remove 60 metres of parking spaces on Hornsey Road.
- remove the existing traffic island near Andover Road and change this to a zebra pedestrian crossing.
- implement a floating loading bay for businesses on the south end of Hornsey Road.

You can see a map of the proposed new cycleway on the opposite page.



Tell us what you think

We want to know what you think of the proposed environmental improvements and the northbound cycleway. Scan the QR code below with your phone to access the consultation questionnaire, or visit:

sustrans.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/montem-and-samuel-rhodes-consultation-survey

Submit your response before 11.59pm on Sunday 19 February 2023 when the consultation period ends.



If you would like a paper copy of the questionnaire, please:

- write to: Public Realm, 1 Cottage Road, London, N7 8TP.
- visit Islington Town Hall reception (N1 2UD) to fill in a paper copy.
- visit the school reception.

Come and talk to us

If you would like to come and talk to us about the project and view the design ideas in more detail, we will be hosting a 'drop-in' session at Montem Primary School on **Monday 6 February** from **2.30pm to 5pm**.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rowena Champion'.

Councillor Rowena Champion

Executive Member for Environment, Air Quality and Transport

To find out more about our School Streets programme please visit www.islington.gov.uk/SchoolStreets where you will also find answers to frequently asked questions. If you have further questions, drop us a line at SchoolStreetsConsultation@Islington.gov.uk or write to: **Public Realm, 1 Cottage Road, London, N7 8TP.**

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