

# **Thornhill Primary School Street**

Consultation results and next steps





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#### Dear resident/business,

In September 2020, as part of our commitment to make our streets cleaner, greener, and healthier, we introduced a trial School Street. The School Street temporarily prevents cars from driving on Thornhill Road and Lofting Road during pick-up and drop off times.

We introduced this trial under an experimental traffic order (ETO). The aims of the trial were:

- improve air quality and reduce pollution at the school gates
- reduce road danger, making it safer for children to get to and from school
- make it easier for children, and their parents and carers, to be more active on their way to school by walking, scooting or cycling.

To help measure the success of the Thornhill Primary School Street we collected feedback throughout the trial period and held a public consultation from 24 September 2021 to 31 October 2021.

We are now publishing the consultation report and announcing the next steps for the Thornhill Primary School Street.

We have carefully considered the wide range of feedback received including Commonplace feedback, email correspondence, formal objections and the public consultation.

To view the full consultation report visit our website: www.islington.gov.uk/SchoolStreets

#### **Next Steps for Thornhill Primary School Street**

The feedback from the consultation and monitoring results demonstrate that the trial has had largely positive impacts on Thornhill Road and Lofting Road and achieved the trial's objectives. We have decided to continue the Thornhill Primary School Street on a trial basis.

However, we need to make some changes to the operational times of the School Street. The School Street will now be in operation between **8.30am to 9.15am and 3pm to 3.45pm** Monday to Friday during school term only. We are making these changes to reflect school's operation times, as well as to improve driver compliance and safety for those walking, cycling or scooting in the area. We are also considering additional measures in the area to address safety concerns that were raised during consultation.

In order to implement the changes we will be updating the signage around the school. The works will take place on Friday 11 March 2022. Access routes will be unchanged during the duration of these works. **The new measures are expected to be live from 14 March 2022.** 

The council will continue to monitor the School Street and welcome feedback from residents.

Thank you for your continued support for this project.

Yours sincerely,

**Councillor Rowena Champion** 

**Executive Member for Environment and Transport** 

### Consultation and monitoring key findings

We monitored the School Street over 11 months and discovered that:



**Air quality has improved** with Nitrogen Dioxide levels below the council's annual objective and in line with borough-wide trends (decreased by 24% since 2018).



**Traffic has reduced** on Lofting Road and Thornhill Road during School Streets operational hours **(overall down 63%).** 



The speed has decreased on Lofting Road and Thornhill Road during School Streets operational hours (overall down 11%).

#### **Public consultation headlines**



adult responses received



**83%** of children and **71%** of adults perceived changes as positive



**72%** noticed an increase in activity around the



60% reported road danger issues, including low compliance and dangerous cycling

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