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# People-friendly streets

## Highbury West WP meeting

19 November 2020

## **Streets as places**

- Where life happens
- Where communities come together

## **Streets for movement**

- The strategic road network (main roads) are built for main traffic
- Local streets provide local access

## **Key statistics**

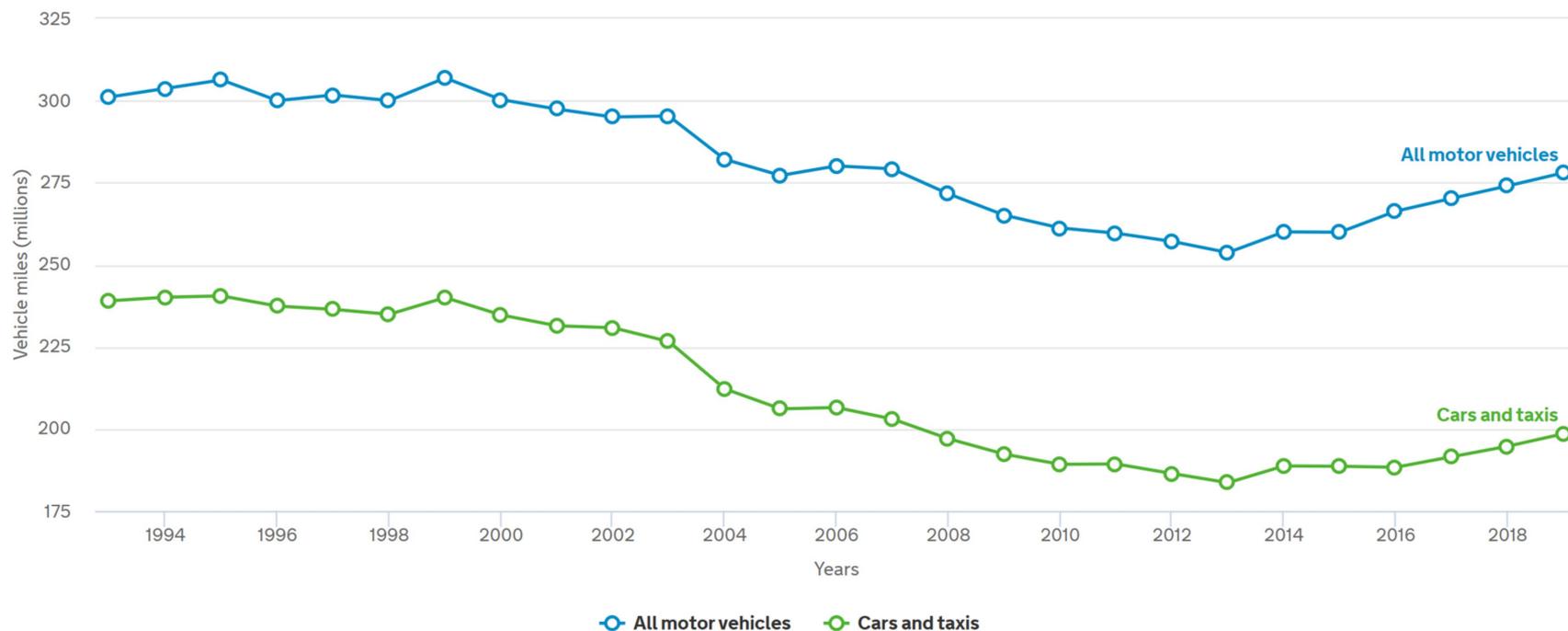
- 1/3 of journeys in London are less than 2km and can easily be walked by many people
- 2/3 of journeys in London are less than 5km and can be cycled
- Number of cars in the UK has increased by approximately 10m (approx. 25%) in the last two decades
- Increase in traffic on roads in Islington; approx. 10% increase in last 5 to 6 years

# Traffic in Islington

0.28 billion vehicle miles were travelled on roads in Islington in 2019.

## Annual traffic by vehicle type in Islington

Traffic in Great Britain from 1993 to 2019 by vehicle type in vehicle miles (millions)



Highcharts.com

Source:

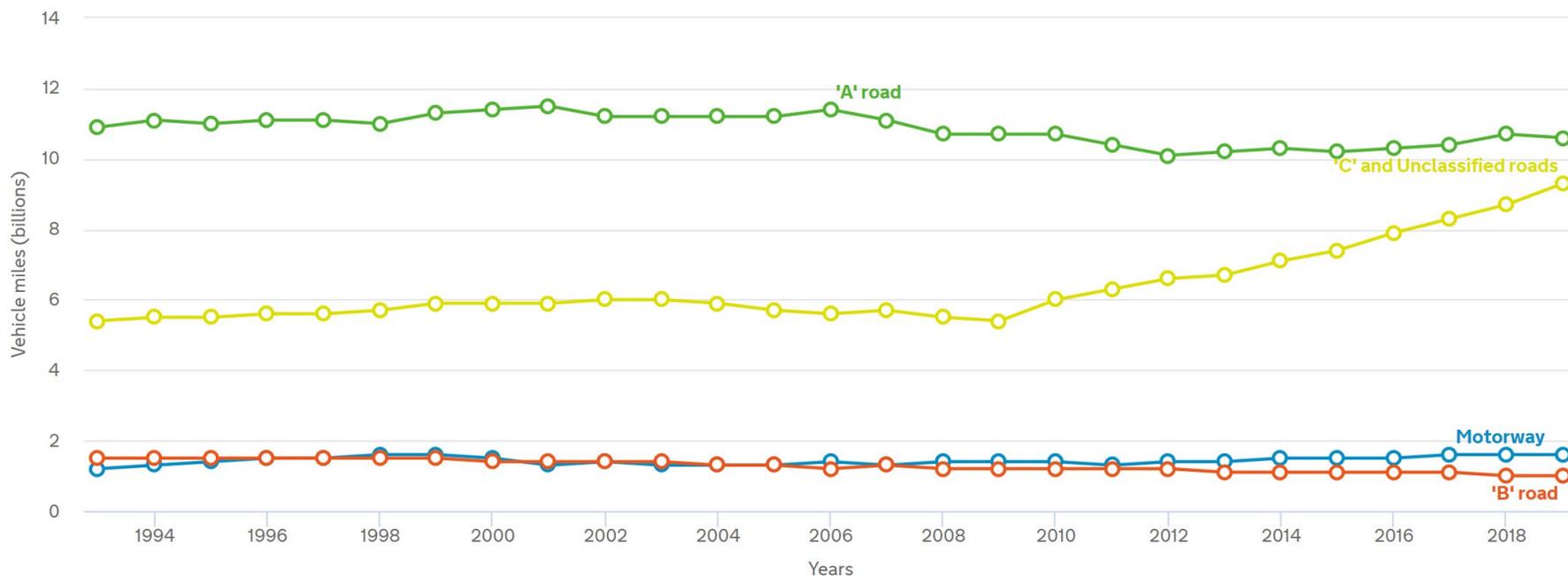
<https://roadtraffic.dft.gov.uk/local-authorities/96>

# Traffic on local streets post mobile sat nav

- Motorists are taking short cuts through neighbourhoods
- 72% increase of motorised traffic on local streets in the last decade
- Volume of traffic on main roads largely unchanged

## Annual traffic by road type in London

Traffic in Great Britain from 1993 to 2019 by road type in vehicle miles (billions)



Source:

<https://roadtraffic.dft.gov.uk/regions/6>

Motorway 'A' road 'B' road 'C' and Unclassified roads

## **People-friendly streets**

- Delivery of School Streets
- Borough-wide programme of Low Traffic Neighbourhoods

### **Aims:**

- To make it easier and safer to walk and cycle
- For people to be healthier
- To help people enjoy their area
- To allow social distancing

## **Supporting people-friendly streets transport initiatives**

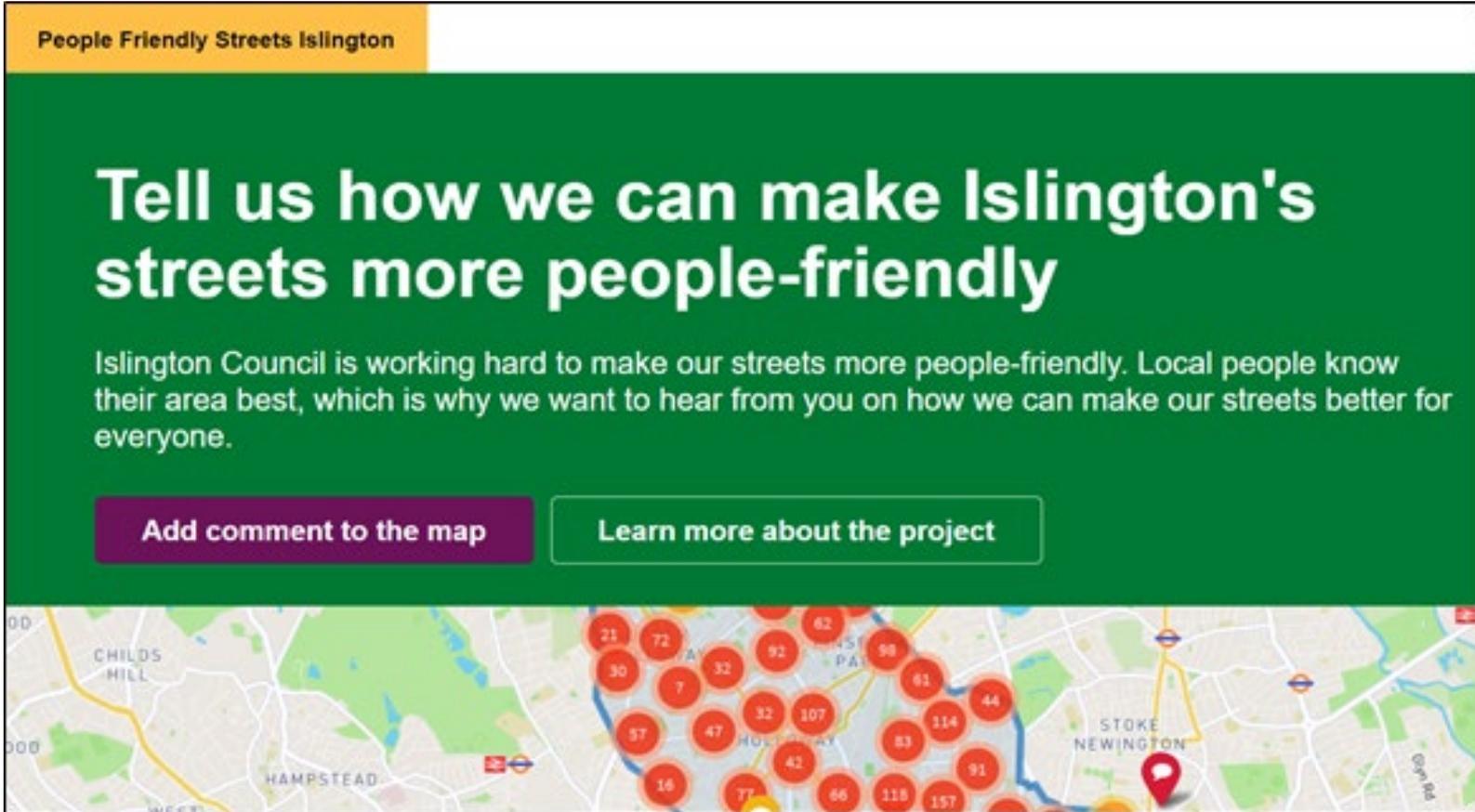
- New cycle routes with segregated cycle lanes (permanent cycling schemes)
- Pop up cycle lanes (temporary schemes with 'traffic wands')
- Cycle routes on quiet streets (via Low Traffic Neighbourhoods)

## **Council's emergency transport response to Covid-19**

- Social distancing measures on main roads
  - Social distancing measures outside schools
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**In May 2020 we set up an online engagement website called Commonplace.**

As of 9 November, there were 26,471 unique visitors to the website.

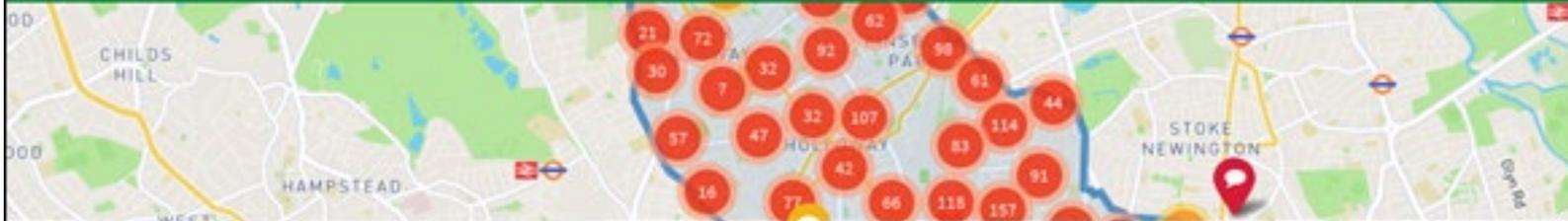


People Friendly Streets Islington

## Tell us how we can make Islington's streets more people-friendly

Islington Council is working hard to make our streets more people-friendly. Local people know their area best, which is why we want to hear from you on how we can make our streets better for everyone.

[Add comment to the map](#) [Learn more about the project](#)



# Commonplace analysis - **Highbury West Low Traffic Neighbourhood area**

## **Top 3 problems in the area:**

- 323 mentions of high traffic volumes (50.8% of comments).
- 313 mentions of short cutting traffic (49.2% of comments).
- 303 mentions of speeding traffic in the area (47.6% of comments).
- Next highest in order: bad driving, unsafe environment for children, noisy traffic , road conditions being unsafe for cycling

## **Top 3 solutions proposed:**

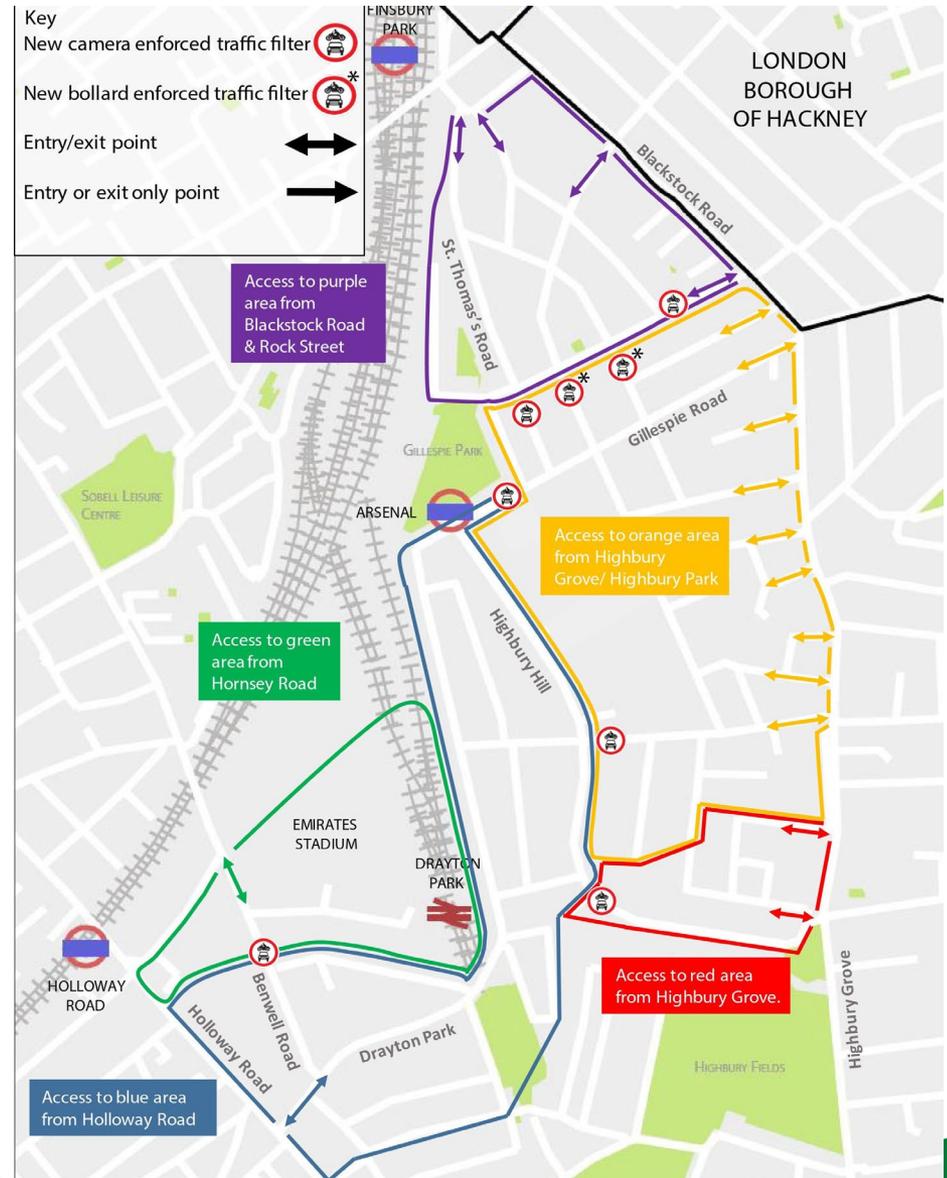
- 283 mentions of making roads access only (44.5% of comments).
  - 256 mentions of slowing down traffic (40.3% of comments).
  - 173 mentions of closing roads to vehicles - except for cycles or buses (27.2% of comments).
  - Next highest in order: more space for cycling, more space for walking
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## Map of filter locations in Highbury West

The traffic filters will be in place and we expect enforcement to start on 11 January 2021.

There are eight locations in Highbury West where filters are being installed.

- Six camera-enforced filters
- Two physical (bollard) filters



# People-friendly streets: Highbury West LTN – Benwell Road and Highbury Hill

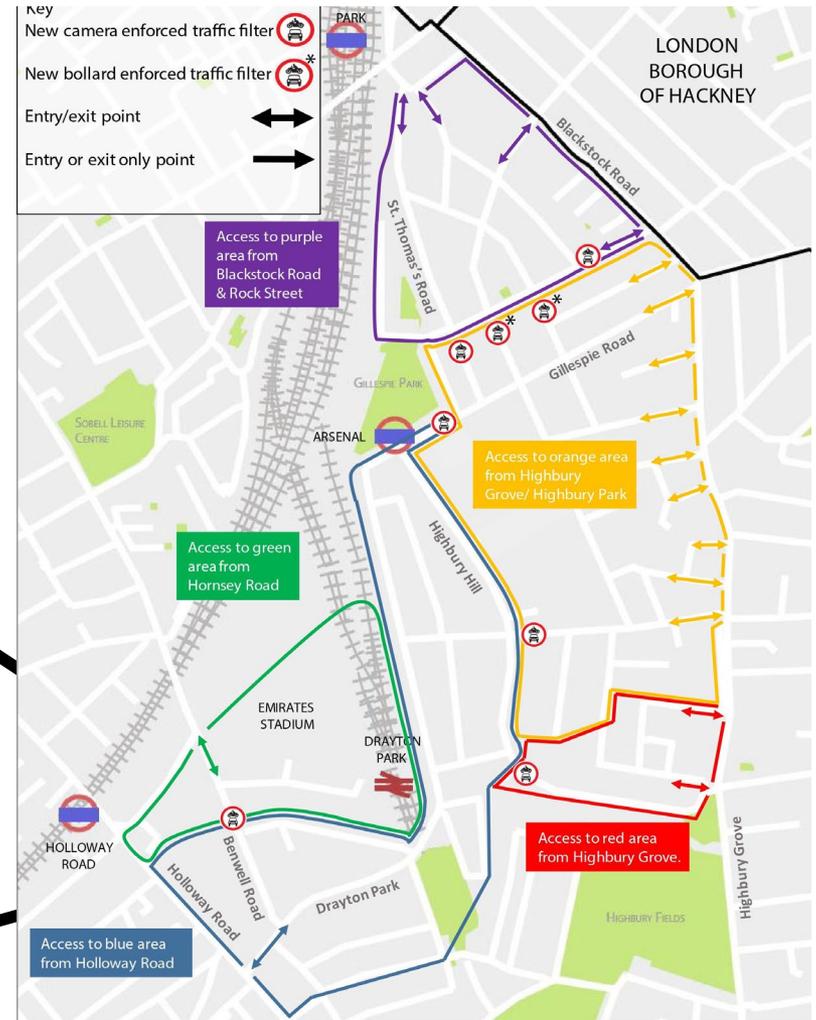
## Filter locations



Benwell Road



Highbury Hill



# People-friendly streets: Highbury West LTN – Gillespie Road and Aubert Park

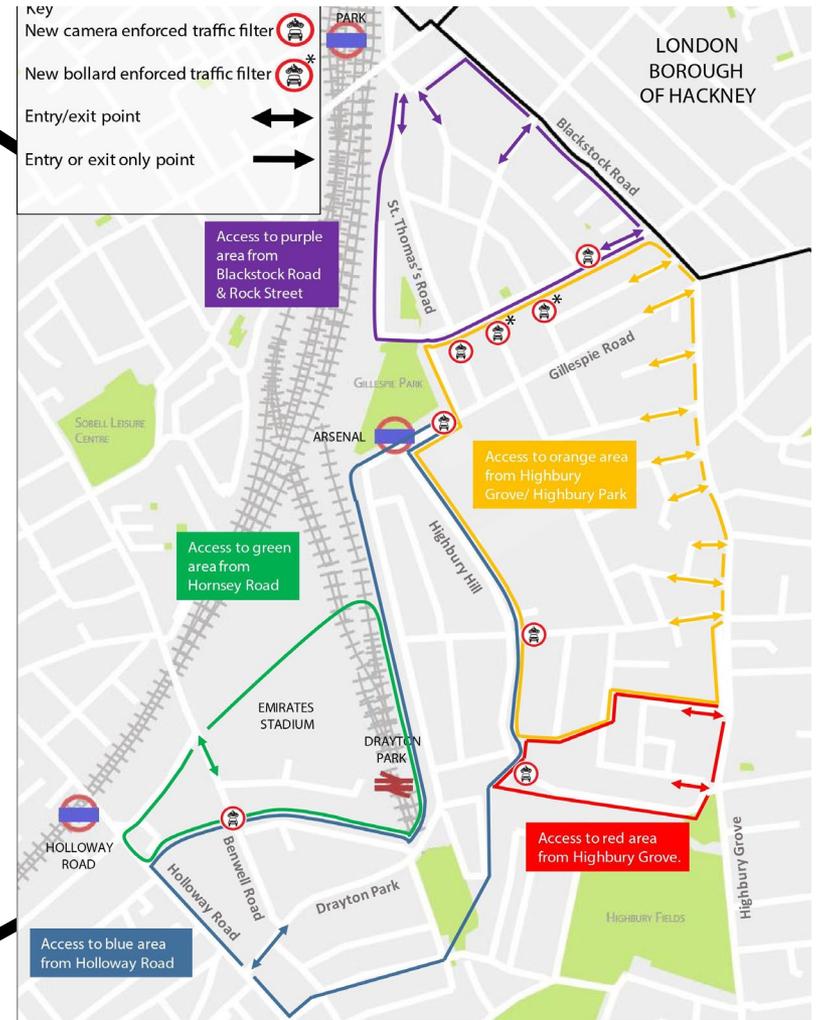
## Filter locations



Gillespie Road



Aubert Park



# People-friendly streets: Highbury West LTN – Monsell Road and St Thomas's Road

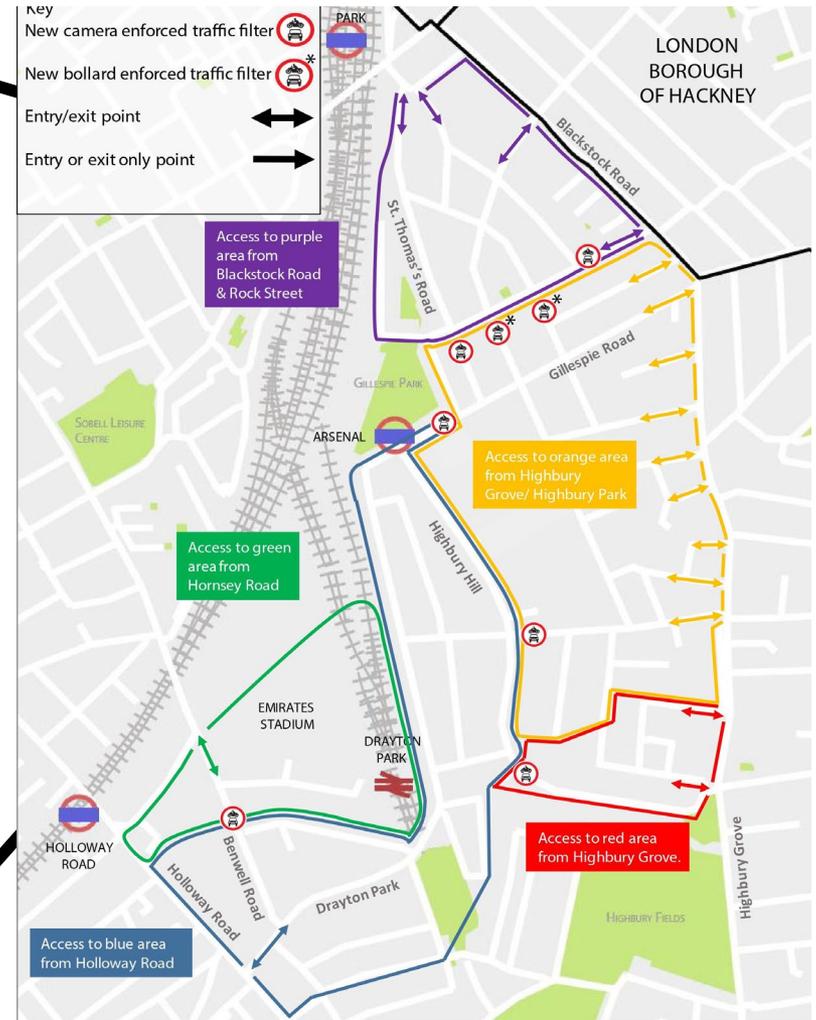
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Monsell Road



St Thomas's Road



# People-friendly streets: Highbury West LTN – Plimsoll Road and Avenell Road

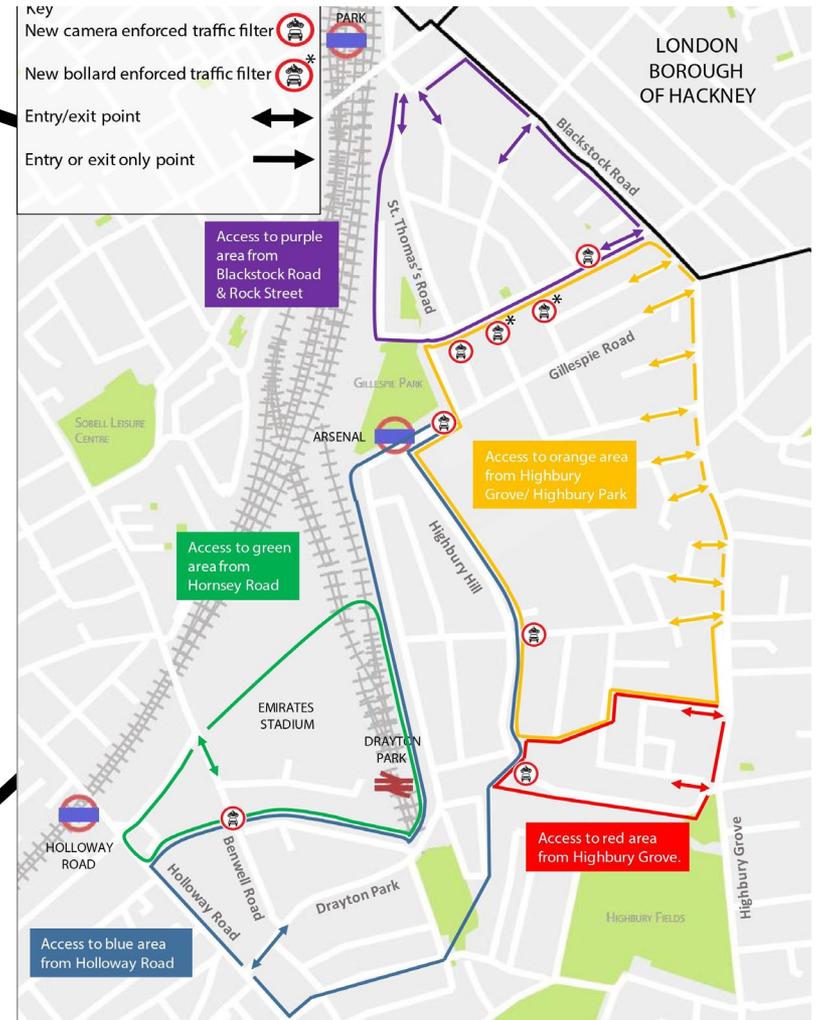
## Filter locations



Plimsoll Road



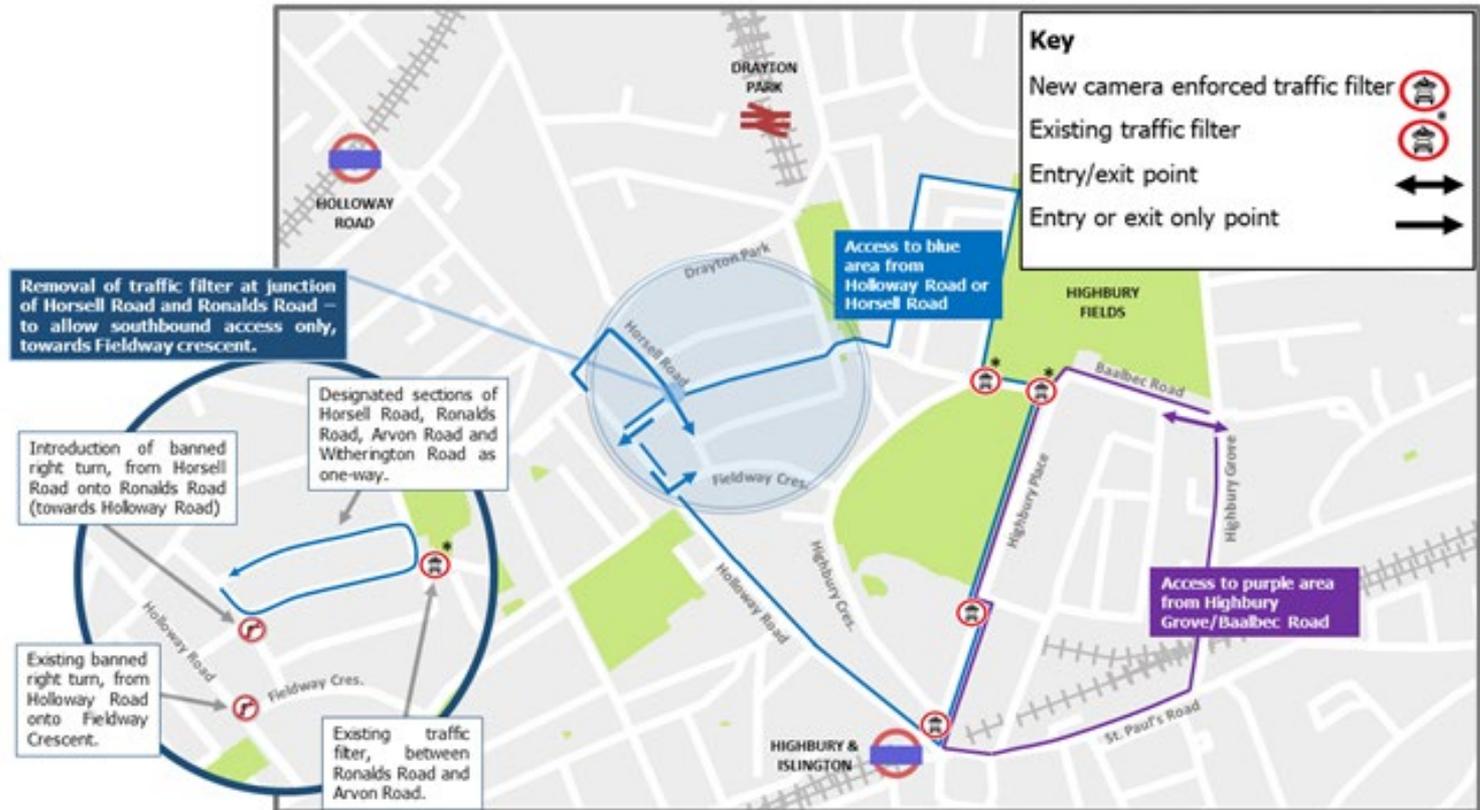
Avenell Road



## Map of filter locations in Highbury Fields

The traffic filters will be in place and we expect enforcement to start on 11 January 2021.

There are two locations in Highbury Fields camera-enforced being installed.



# People-friendly streets: Highbury Fields LTN – Calabria Road / Highbury Grove and Highbury Corner / Highbury Grove

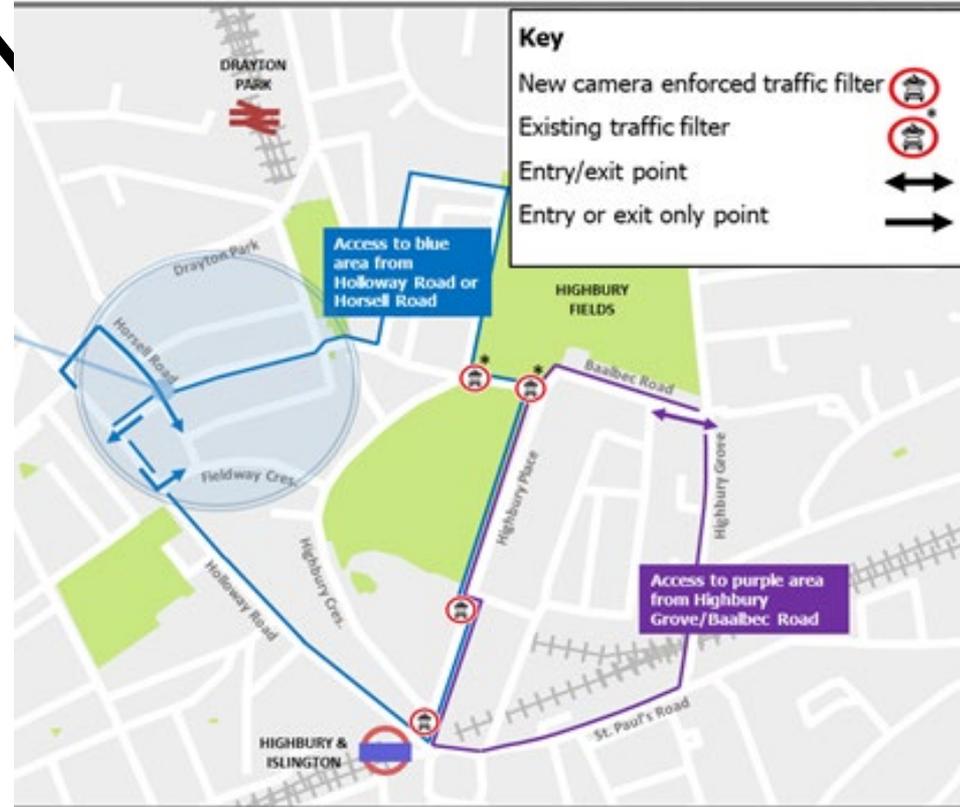
## Filter locations



Calabria Road / Highbury Grove



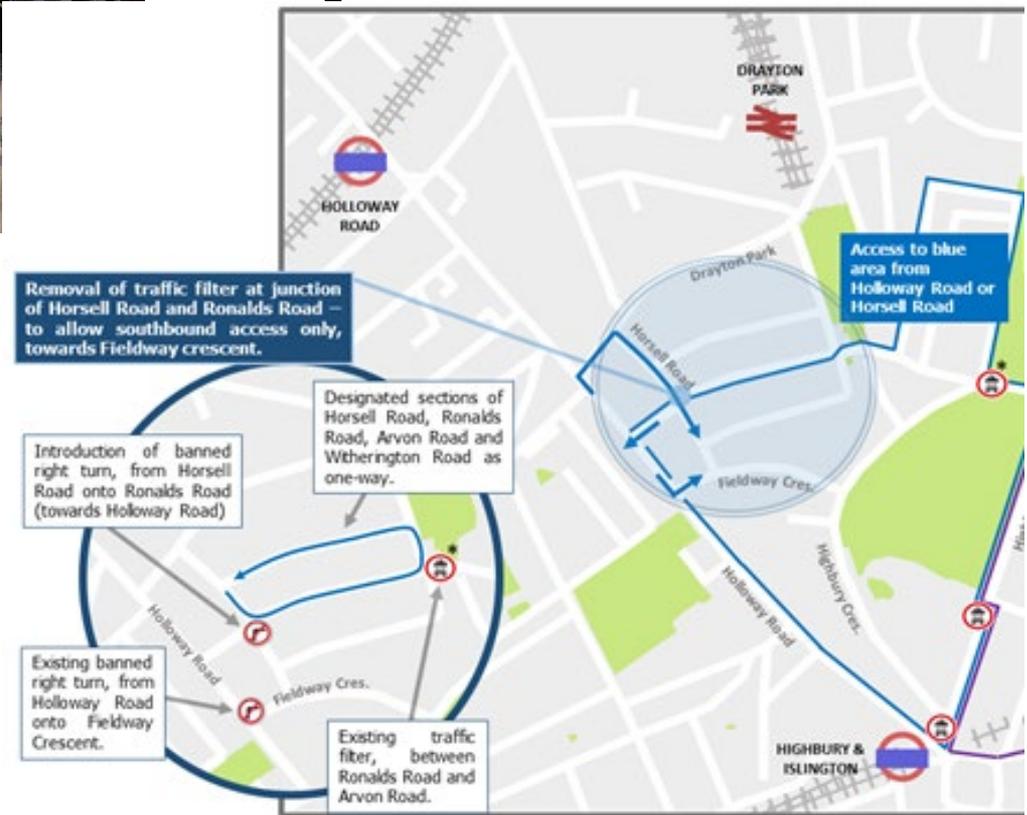
Highbury Corner / Highbury Grove



## Filter locations



Ronalds Road



- 19 Nov 2020 – Scheme announced, Ward Partnership
- 23-25 Nov 2020 – Leaflets delivered
- 30 Nov 2020 – Works Start
- 18 Dec 2020 – Estimated works complete
- 11 Jan 2021 – Enforcement due to start

# Have your say...

## **Trial feedback survey**

Link on council website

Designed for residents and businesses to feedback on lived experience of the trial

## **Public consultation**

For each people-friendly streets area, school street or pop-up cycleway

After 12 months

## **Email with any questions**

[Peoplefriendlystreets@islington.gov.uk](mailto:Peoplefriendlystreets@islington.gov.uk)



## **Delivered as trials (with 'Experimental Traffic Order')**

Legitimate and valid way for highways authorities to put in place trial measures in a rapid, flexible way that still allows for robust consultation.

## **Monitoring**

Traffic analysis

Displacement and congestion

Cycling Flow

Air Quality

ASB

## **Final decision**

At the end of the 18 month trial period a decision will be made whether the measures will be changed, made permanent or removed, taking into account feedback during consultation and monitoring data.

## People-friendly streets: better places for everyone





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# Questions & Discussion

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