

Cycleway 38: Holloway Road to Pentonville Road

what this means for you



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People-friendly streets: new cycleway from Holloway Road to Pentonville Road

Dear resident/business,

Throughout the current crisis, local people have had more space outside in clean air, in which to walk and cycle safely and to relax or play. It's likely that social distancing will be in place for some time, which means that people will avoid using public transport.

We have been **listening**.

Local people have told us they want:

- local streets to be friendlier places that are easier for everyone to use every day
- to enjoy being outside in clean air, to walk and cycle safely and to relax or play
- our streets and footpaths to be made safer to practise social distancing

Making it easier, safer and more enjoyable to cycle

We now have an opportunity to deliver a new cycle route along Penton Street in the south of the route to Tolpuddle Street, Liverpool Road and Madras Place in the north.

Most of the new route will include protected cycle tracks with traffic wands (a plastic post that separates cyclists from traffic) and by placing parking between the cycle track and

traffic lanes where space allows. There will be some areas where physical protection is not possible, and in these locations road markings will demarcate cycle tracks from general traffic.

The route will link Pentonville Road at its southern point with Holloway Road in the north of the borough as part of the Palmers Green to Farringdon route. It forms a key section of a network of cycle routes the council is developing and delivering across the borough in the coming years.

The changes will create a more pleasant cycling route and a safer, more convenient direct route for cyclists of all abilities. It has also been designed to improve the safety and comfort of people cycling by reducing conflict with motorised traffic. As social distancing is likely to be in place for some time to come and as schools re-open, it will also provide an important alternative to using public transport.

By making it safer to cycle, Islington residents and visitors will be able to enjoy our borough in a way that reduces unnecessary car journeys and therefore cuts down on air pollution and congestion.

Changes to parking

To accommodate the cycle lanes, we need to remove a number of parking spaces. Out of a total of 293 resident parking spaces along Liverpool Road, 96 will need to be removed to

accommodate the cycle lanes. Please note there will be no loss of disabled parking spaces.

However, our parking surveys show that 80 of these can be met by the remaining parking on Liverpool Road as many spaces are underused. Demand for the remaining 16 spaces can be met on side roads close to Liverpool Road. The locations of the parking spaces proposed for removal are shown in the plan.

Changes to loading and waiting

To allow for the cycle route to be introduced, waiting and loading restrictions along the route will change. In some places all waiting and loading will be removed, and in other locations there will be longer restrictions that will change how deliveries and servicing operate. There will be a new loading bay outside the Business Design Centre on Liverpool Road opposite the junction of Cloudesley Place.

Other changes

As well as changes to parking, waiting and loading some other changes are required. You will see that some traffic islands and pavement build-outs will be removed and new advanced stop lines for cyclists (waiting areas for cyclists ahead of motorised traffic) will be introduced at the traffic lights at Tolpuddle Street and Liverpool Road.

Construction and traffic management

The works are due to start the week of 7 September 2020, starting at the junction of Liverpool Road and Madras Place.

They will be carried out under a traffic management plan that will include localised parking suspensions to allow the works to be carried out safely. The council apologises for any inconvenience this may cause. If it is possible the works might affect access to your property we will send you an additional letter.

Installing the measures as an 18-month trial

What we install will be temporary and can be changed if it does not work.

To ensure that local people and businesses have a say in how the measures are working we have chosen to implement the scheme under an experimental traffic order.

This means that for the first six months we will monitor how the measures are working and you can let us know your views. We will make any necessary changes so that the new cycle route works as well as possible.

Local people know their local area best and we will listen to your feedback.

Once you have had a chance to experience the changes, and for

traffic patterns to have settled down, we will conduct a full public consultation 12 months into the trial to find out what you think of the measures.

Based on our monitoring and feedback from the consultation, the measures will be changed, made permanent or removed.

Get in touch

You can continue to comment or add your ideas about the cycle route on the Commonplace website

islingtonpeoplefriendlystreets.commonplace.is

For more information visit **www.islington.gov.uk/peoplefriendlystreets** where you will also find answers to frequently asked questions, or you can get in touch by emailing us at **peoplefriendlystreets@islington.gov.uk**

Yours sincerely,



Councillor Rowena Champion
Executive Member for Environment and Transport



A computer visualisation of how a section of Cycleway 38 will look from Liverpool Road looking north towards Richmond Avenue, showing cycle tracks separated from traffic with plastic wands and parking spaces.



A plan showing the route of Cycleway 38 from Pentonville Road in the south to Holloway Road in the north via Penton Street, Tolpuddle Street, Liverpool Road and Madras Place.



Islington Council will continue to monitor progress, and you can continue to comment or add your ideas about the measures at islingtonpeoplefriendlystreets.commonplace.is



To find out more, including how the experimental traffic order works, please visit www.islington.gov.uk/peoplefriendlystreets where you will also find answers to frequently asked questions but if you have further questions drop us a line at peoplefriendlystreets@islington.gov.uk

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