

## Important- Public Consultation

This is your opportunity to comment on the Council's plans

This is a postal and on-line consultation

May 2013

# Highgate West Hill

## Proposed pedestrian improvements by '*The Green*'

We are seeking your views on the Council's proposal to improve the pedestrian facilities on Highgate West Hill, beside '*The Green*'. This will greatly improve walking in Highgate by enabling people to walk to and through *The Green* between St Michael's Church and The Grove.

At present *The Green* has a path cutting through it, aligning with St Michael's Church. However there is no pedestrian access to this path from Highgate West Hill. The footpath from The Grove can be obstructed by parked cars and visibility here can be difficult due to the bend in the road. Additionally this footpath from The Grove does not offer a direct link to any footpath.

Unobstructed, direct crossing facilities for pedestrians are important for road safety. They also have significant benefits to those with pushchairs, in wheelchairs, or with reduced mobility, who have difficulty passing between parked cars and feel more vulnerable when crossing the road.

Camden Council is therefore proposing an unobstructed pedestrian crossing point across Highgate West Hill to a new footpath around part of *The Green*. This will enable people to walk through *The Green* to St Michael's Church, The Grove, and the bus stops beyond. To facilitate the new footpath, the link road beside The Flask public house will become narrower and converted to one way eastbound. This will also prevent vehicles exiting onto Highgate West Hill where there is very poor visibility alongside The Flask. These proposals will require parking to be relocated nearby, however there will be no net loss in parking. Additionally no public seating is proposed.

Two options are proposed for this scheme, and are shown on the drawing provided. Both include the core proposals outlined below:

1. Construct new footpath around part of *The Green* to improve pedestrian facilities for those crossing Highgate West Hill to St Michael's Church and bus stops beyond.
2. Provide unobstructed crossing point for pedestrians on the west side of Highgate West Hill by removing the parking bay at this location.
3. Improve pedestrian crossing facilities across the link road between The Flask PH and the new footpath around *The Green* by widening the footpath on the corner outside The Flask and providing dropped kerbs.
4. Convert the link road outside The Flask PH from two-way to one-way traffic eastbound.
5. Relocate 4 parking spaces to facilitate the changes.

Additionally each option includes:

### Option 1

- Widen the footway and install double yellow lines on the west side of Highgate West Hill, to improve visibility between pedestrians and approaching vehicles and to ensure the crossing facility is kept clear of parked vehicles at all times.

### Option 2

- Install double yellow lines across the footway on the west side of Highgate West Hill to ensure that the crossing facility by *The Green* is kept clear of parked cars at all times.

## This is your opportunity to comment

We need your views as this consultation exercise is intended to find out if there is broad public support for the proposals set out in this leaflet.

Please send your response by 14th June 2013 stating clearly which option you prefer, to: **London Borough of Camden, Culture and Environment Directorate, Transport Strategy Service, FREEPOST RLZH-UEYC-ACZZ, London, WC1H 8EQ.** Please note no stamp is required and only **ONE** reply per household, business or organisation will be accepted. Alternatively, you can send your response by email to [joanna.alker@camden.gov.uk](mailto:joanna.alker@camden.gov.uk). **You must give your postal address if you want us to consider your views.**

While it will not be possible to reply to you individually, all comments will be taken into account. The Assistant Director of Environment and Transport will make a decision whether or not to proceed with the scheme and you will be informed of the outcome of this consultation and the Council's decision within three months, where possible.

If the proposals are agreed, works will be carried out during Summer 2013. Funding for the scheme will be supplied by money secured via an agreement from a local developer.

Details of this consultation are also available on the Council's website, [www.camden.gov.uk/consultations](http://www.camden.gov.uk/consultations).

Under the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985, we cannot treat your response confidentially, as it will be available for public inspection. Please only write to us about the consultation issue. If you want to comment on any other matter, please use a separate letter.



### Who is being informed?

**All properties on affected roads outlined on the plan will be informed along with Local and Statutory Groups, Emergency Services and Ward Members.**

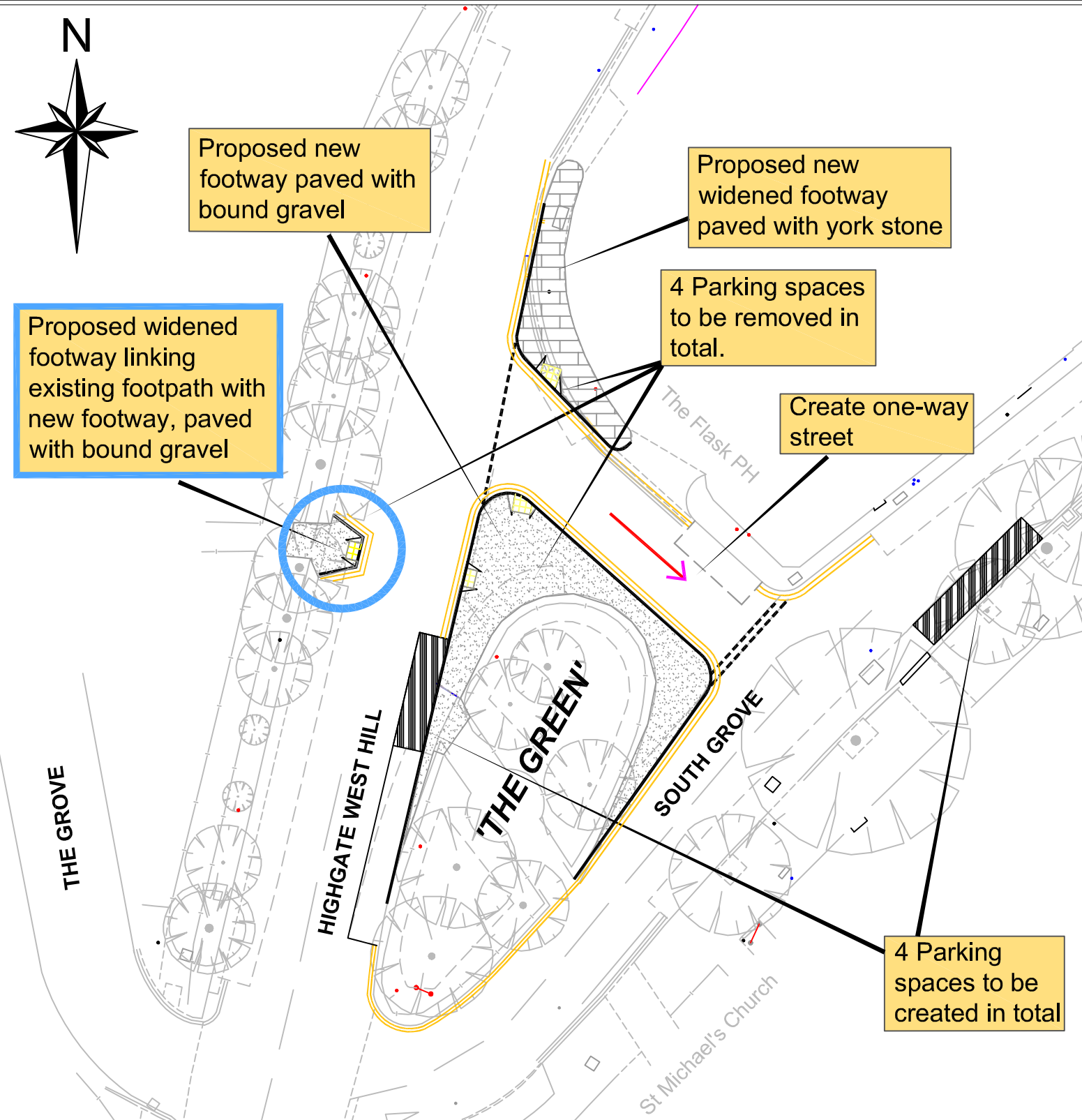
**If you would like further information then please contact us using the information provided below.**

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**Thank you for replying to this consultation**

# HIGHGATE WEST HILL, *THE GREEN* PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS



## OPTION 1

with a footway widening on the west side of  
Highgate West Hill

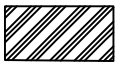
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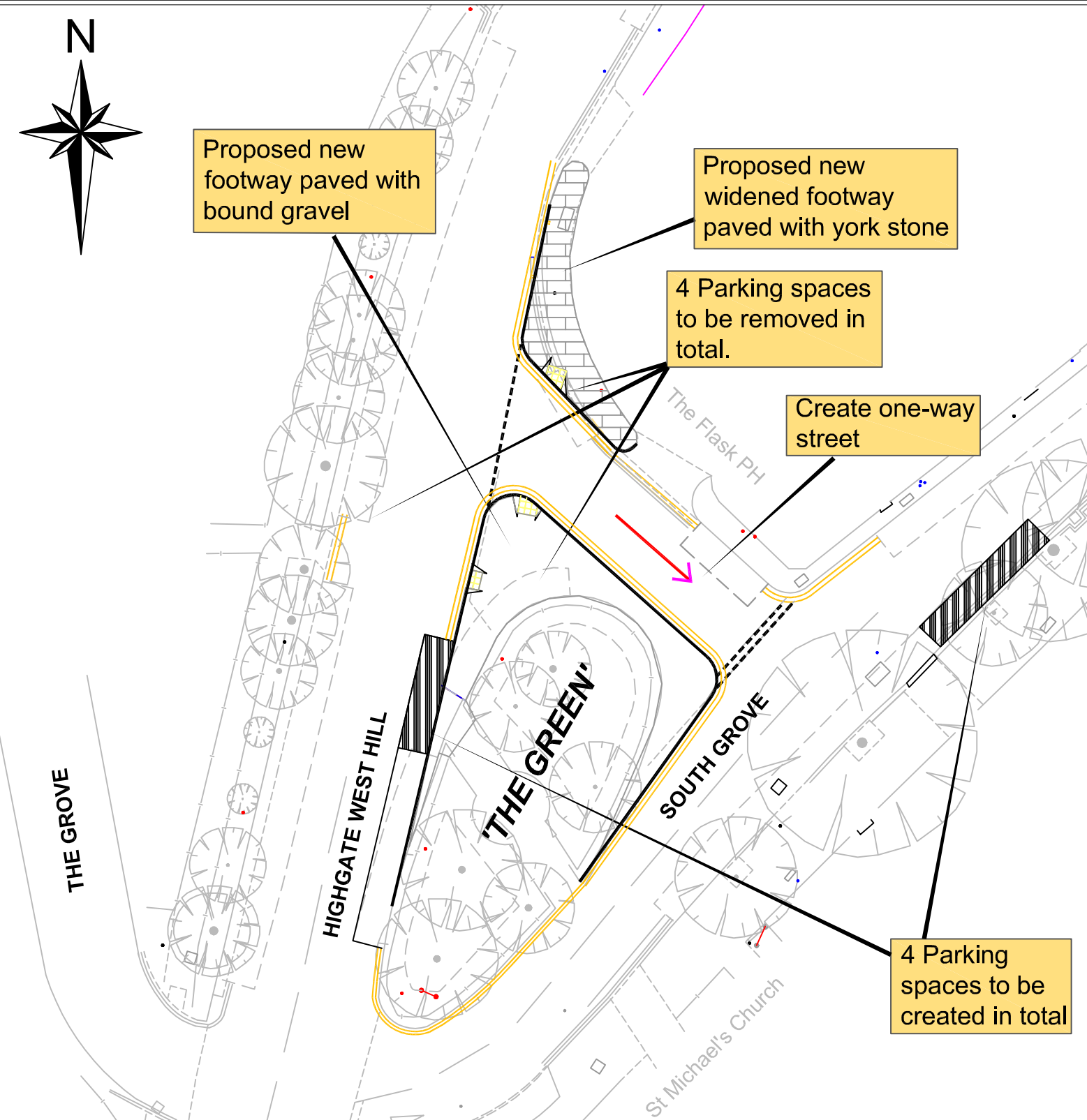
Proposed new  
footway paved  
with bound gravel



Proposed new  
parking spaces



Double yellow  
lines



## OPTION 2

with no footway widening on the west side of  
Highgate West Hill

**PLEASE STATE CLEARLY IN YOUR RESPONSE YOUR PREFERRED OPTION**