





## Making your neighbourhood safer and healthier

The Covid-19 pandemic has changed how communities in Camden live, travel and work. Many of us have been spending more time closer to home, making quieter and safer neighbourhoods more important than ever. We want our streets to have more space for everyone to walk and cycle, for you to be breathing cleaner air, for children to get to and from school safely and for businesses to be able to flourish. Whether it's an essential journey like taking your children to school, getting to work or just popping out to enjoy your local park we want you to love where you live, and to love Camden.

To help we are making changes on Harmond Street following a petition from local residents and a consultation (see details below), to restrict motor vehicle traffic from using the street to cut-through between main roads and to improve road safety for people walking and cycling.



We are also making amendments to the parking changes as part of the 'pop-up' cycle lane on Chalk Farm Road following feedback from residents and consultation (see below for details).

## Thank you for your comments



In December 2020 we ran a 2-week joint consultation on the changes we proposed for Harmond Street and the Chalk Farm Road area. Thank you to everyone who took the time to share their views.

We had over 110 responses and following the consultation we have made the decision to implement the proposed changes as a trial. You can read the decision reports relating to this, and our feedback to the consultation responses, on our website.

## What's the challenge on Harmond Street and in the Chalk Farm Road area?

In June 2020 we received a petition from local residents requesting the reduction of motor vehicle through traffic on Harmond Street. Traffic counts were conducted on Harmond Street in September 2020 and showed that the volumes of motor vehicle traffic using the street are high for a residential street. There is an average of 2000 motor vehicles a day - 787 motor vehicles per day moving northbound and 1307 moving southbound.



We know that more cars than ever are using residential streets to cut through between main roads. Recent figures from the DfT from 2019 suggest a 72.2% increase in traffic using residential streets in London since sat-navs were introduced.

Since the start of the trial for the Chalk Farm Road scheme, we received a number of emails concerning the quantity of residents' parking spaces on adjacent side roads that we planned on converting into shared residents' and pay-by-phone bays. Following a review of the parking changes, we are making further amendments in order to provide an improved balance between adequate parking and loading provision around Chalk Farm Road.

We also want to support the 17 recommendations from Camden's Citizens Assembly on the climate crisis, which included requests for more car free zones. This scheme also helps to deliver our own Transport Strategy priorities, which were strongly supported when we consulted on them, including increasing walking and cycling, improving public transport, improving air quality and making our streets and transport networks safe, accessible and inclusive for all. You can read more about our strategy on our website.



## What's going to change?

Following the consultation and our decision to proceed with the trials we will be making the following changes to respond to the challenges outlined above:

- Adding an ANPR (Automatic Number Plate Recognition) camera enforced motor vehicle restriction south of the junction of Harmood Street with Clarence Way to prevent motor vehicles from proceeding, in either directions, through the restriction along Harmood Street.
- Adding 'No Motor Vehicle' signs and planters on the road and bollards on the pavement to make the new restrictions clear.
- Relocating 4 resident parking spaces on Harmood Street, east of the restriction, to the west side of the street, opposite of the junction of Harmood Street with Clarence Way. The space currently allocated to parking on the eastern side will be converted to double yellow lines.
- Work is scheduled to commence on the week commencing the 1<sup>st</sup> of February between 9am and 5pm - some minor noise should be expected.
- The parking changes to the Chalk Farm Road scheme area are planned to take place from February 2021.



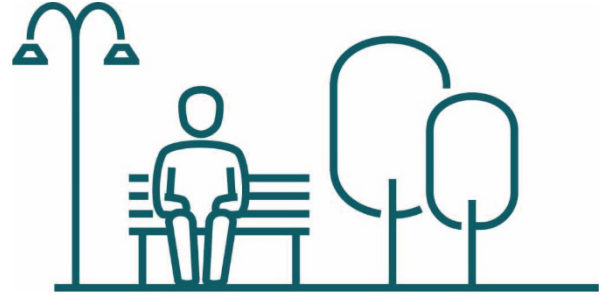
We are also, following the consultation, making the following amendments to the previously approved parking provision for the Chalk Farm Road scheme:

	<b>1) Existing (approved) Parking Layout, as part of Chalk Farm Road Scheme</b>	<b>2) New Proposed Parking Changes to the Existing Chalk Farm Road Scheme to be implemented</b>
<b>Hawley Street</b>	3 residents' parking spaces to be changed to shared use residents' and pay-by-phone parking bays.	Make no parking changes on Hawley Street, leave existing residents' bays as they are i.e. not shared.
<b>Hartland Road</b>	24 residents' parking spaces changed to become shared residents' and pay-by-phone parking.	Convert 3 residents' bays, only, on the eastern side of Hartland Road near the junction with Chalk Farm Road, into paid for parking bays, the rest (21 bays) remain as residents' bays.
<b>Harmood Street</b>	30 metres of single yellow line changed to become 6 shared residents' and pay-by-phone parking spaces.  23 residents' parking spaces changed to become shared residents' and pay-by-phone parking.	Retain 21 Residents bays (12 on the eastern side and 9 on western side of Harmood Street).  Convert 2 residents' bays, on the western side of Harmood Street, into shared residents'/ paid for parking bays.  Convert approximately 20 metres of the existing single yellow line, on the eastern side of Harmood Street, into 4 paid for parking bays. The remainder of this existing single yellow line will be retained.
<b>Ferdinand Street</b>	14 residents' parking spaces changed to become shared residents' and pay-by-phone parking.	Convert the 5 residents' bays on the eastern side of Ferdinand Street into shared residents'/ paid for parking bays.  9 residents' parking bays, on the western side of Ferdinand Street, to remain as residents' parking bays
<b>Belmont Street</b>	10 residents' parking spaces changed to shared resident and pay-by-phone parking.	N/A
<b>Crogsland Road</b>	5 pay-by-phone parking spaces changed to shared loading and pay-by-phone parking.	N/A



## What's not going to change?

- You will still be able to reach every property on the street by car and receive home deliveries but the route you drive to a property might change.
- Pedestrians and those on bikes will always be able to travel freely without restrictions.
- Emergency Services and refuse vehicles will still be able to move through the restriction.



## How can you give your views during the trial?

We are using Experimental Traffic Orders to make these changes. This allows us to trial changes on streets as an experiment so that we can see how they work before any decision on whether to make them permanent is made.

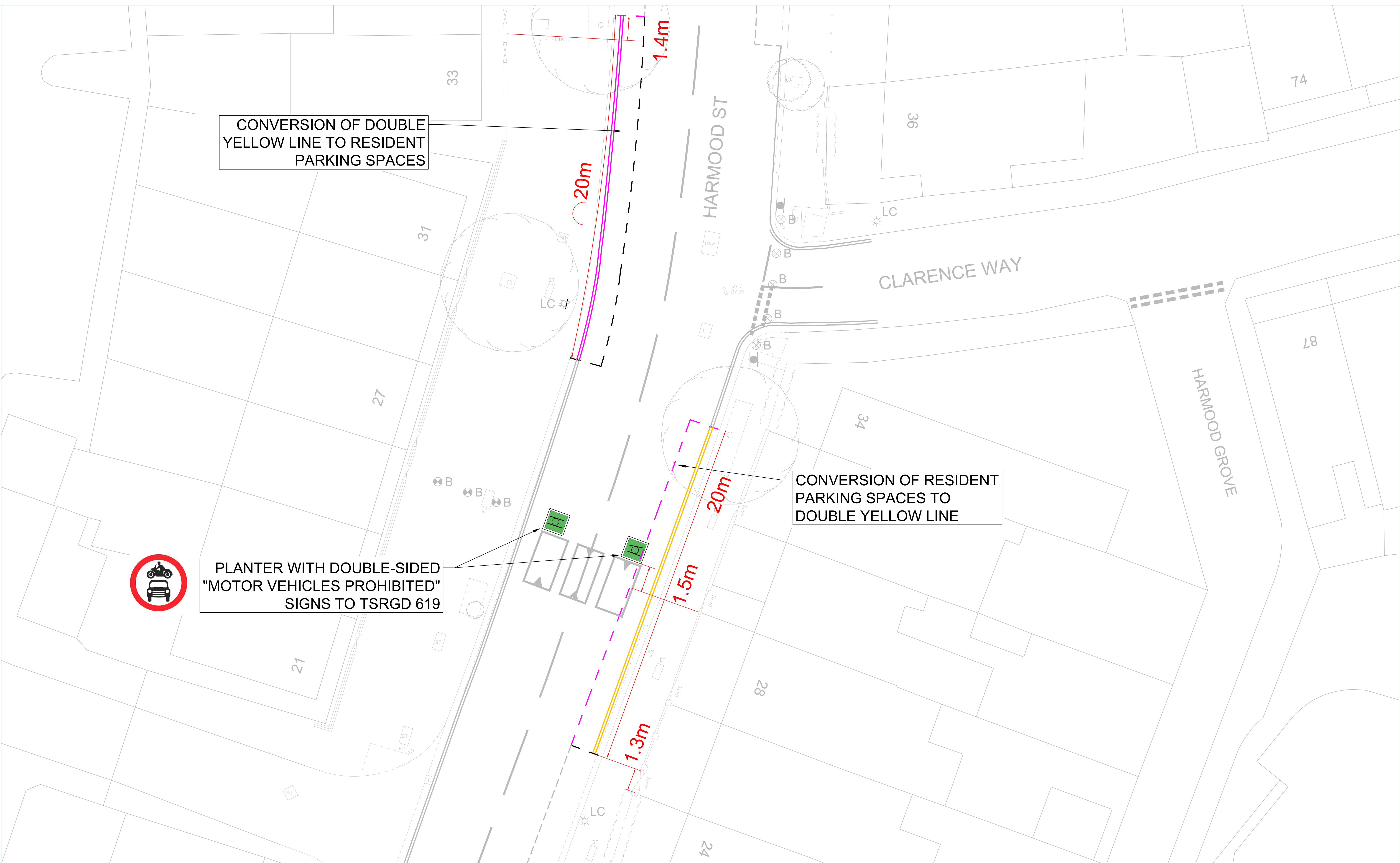
You have the right to comment at any point during the trial period via email or phone. You can use our dedicated Commonplace website to suggest improvements <https://safetravelcamden.commonplace.is/>.

Once the changes have been up and running for a little while we will check in with all local residents in July 2021 for Harmood Street restrictions, and in February 2021 for your views on the wider Chalk Farm Road Pop-Up Cycle Lane scheme (for which these parking changes are a part of) to remind you how to comment. We will also contact all residents and stakeholders with more information ahead of a full public consultation on the scheme after each trial has been in place for around 12 months. Any changes to our plans, for example due to the impact of Covid-19, will be updated on our website along with all the latest developments.

## See the changes

The plans overleaf may also help you understand how we anticipate the changes to look.





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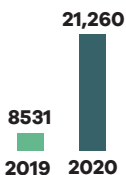




# Responding to the challenges of Covid-19 in your neighbourhood

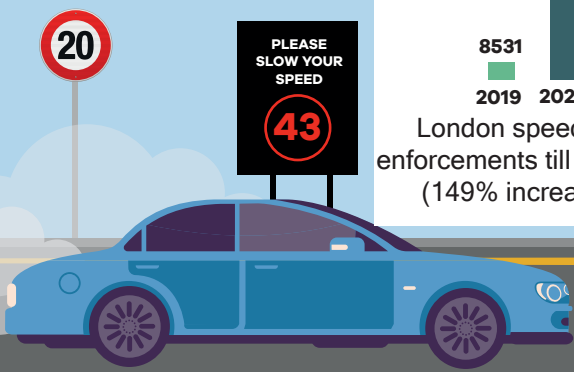
We want to keep your neighbourhoods safe from speeding...

Speeding is the main cause of road death.



London speeding enforcements till August (149% increase)

BAME Londoners are more at risk of being killed or seriously injured, BAME children are on average **1.5x** more likely to be affected than non-BAME children.



...so we are reducing traffic in residential streets

Covid-19 is causing extra cars across Camden... and it's getting busier on our streets

TfL estimates if all car owning households switched their usual public transport journeys to cars there would be **nearly double** the traffic in Camden plus extra from other boroughs

38% of people at risk of deprivation, 36% of women and 31% of disabled people who don't cycle said **they'd like to give it a go**



Supporting Camden residents to travel sustainably

8/10 trips by Camden residents are not made by car.



Almost 50% of journeys by Camden residents are on foot or by bike.



Camden residents love their bikes

Weekday cycling at 2 locations in Camden have seen an average increase of 106% this August to last.



In Camden, 69% of households **don't have a car**, so providing safe and easy walking and cycling facilities is crucial.

Children want to travel healthily and safely to school

We surveyed 14 local schools and 51% of pupils walked, scooted or cycled to school.



We want you to breathe easy...

Breathing in polluted air can have short and long-term impacts on our health, at any stage in our lives.

Lockdown measures led to a 53% reduction in traffic levels in London, reducing the overall level of pollutants in our air. We want to see **air quality improvements continue** now lockdown has eased.



Health is everything

**42%** of Camden residents are overweight or obese, increasing the risk of severe illness and death from COVID-19.

Just a 20-minute walk can prevent long-term health conditions like Type 2 diabetes, heart disease and certain cancers, as well as being good for your mental health.

20 mins





# Find out more

To find out more on how we are making travel safer in Camden visit:

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[safetravel@camden.gov.uk](mailto:safetravel@camden.gov.uk) / 020 7974 4444

To give your suggestions and feedback visit:  
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