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 This is your opportunity to comment on the Council's plans  
 This is a postal and on-line consultation

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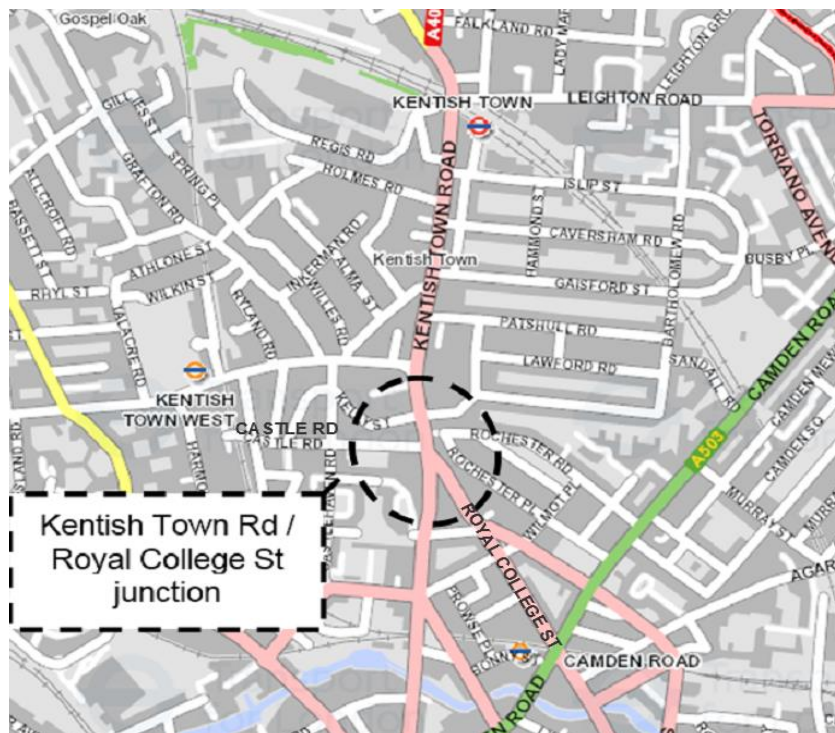
**Kentish Town Road  
 Proposed Cycle and Pedestrian Improvement at  
 Kentish Town Road / Castle Road / Royal College Street junction**

We are seeking your views on the Council's proposal to improve the junction of Kentish Town Road with Castle Road and Royal College Street.

The junction of Kentish Town Road and Royal College Street is surrounded by a variety of shops, cafes and residential flats. It has a number of bus routes travelling through the junction, including 24-hour bus routes that access parts of Central London.

Castle Road is a two-way borough road, it is predominantly residential with a few local shops. The road is also used by cyclists as a quiet route that filters through from Prince of Wales Road and Castlehaven Road.

In 2016 and 2017, improvements were made for cyclists along Royal College Street as part of a Central London Cycle Grid scheme which allows cyclists to travel from Kentish Town Road to Kings Cross along a safe and continuous protected cycle route. We want to provide a safe connection for cyclists through Castle Road into Royal College Street, and improve crossings for pedestrians. Officers have considered proposals that will help to make the junction a safer and more attractive place for everybody. This leaflet sets out these proposals, and as a local resident, business or group, this is your opportunity to let us know what you think.



## **What has happened so far?**

Camden officers have analysed the road collision data (accidents) and have visited the location to identify possible solutions to decrease the collision rate. Officers have also undertaken traffic counts and have worked with TfL and consultants to undertake a traffic modelling exercise of a number of improvements along Kentish Town Road to understand if these are possible and what the likely impacts would be. A separate consultation is currently underway on improvements to a junction further north along Kentish Town Road and we are currently assessing if improvements can be made to the Prince of Wales Road junction.

## **PROPOSALS**

The proposed changes are shown on the enclosed drawing and include the following key changes.

1. Replace the fire gate with bollards at the Kentish Town Road / Rochester Road junction and provide a gap in the central island opposite Rochester Road for cyclists to cycle in and out of Rochester Road.
2. Introduce a southbound mandatory cycle lane on Kentish Town Road to guide cyclists safely to the advanced stop line in order to wait at the traffic lights in front of motor traffic. This requires narrowing the existing footway near the stop line where it is wider. Continue the mandatory cycle lane through the junction to the segregated cycle lane provided on Royal College Street.
3. Introduce an advance stop line and traffic signal on Castle Road. This will allow cyclists to cross the road safely and enter the advance stop line on Kentish Town Road southbound. Access for cyclists will be provided by creating a gap in the central traffic island. Pedestrian crossing will remain informal as current across Castle Road.
4. Provide a new pedestrian crossing on the northern arm of Kentish Town Road. This will allow pedestrians to cross Kentish Town Road in one movement.
5. Widen footway on the south side at Royal College Street/Kentish Town Road junction; this will allow pedestrians to cross Royal College Street in one movement instead of the current situation where they have two crossings split by a central island. The island will then be narrowed, as it will not be used by pedestrians to wait on.
6. Introduce a pedestrian only stage to the traffic signals so that pedestrians can cross all roads when motor traffic is brought to a stop.

In addition to the above proposals we are planning to change the following lane markings to make it easier for drivers to know what lane to use; left turn only lanes on the nearest side on Kentish Town northbound (except buses and cyclists) and southbound for all traffic.

## **This is your opportunity to comment**

The Council will be pleased to hear your views on the proposals we are consulting on as well as any alternative suggestions or objections you may have to any aspect of this scheme. Please respond to the consultation by completing the enclosed questionnaire and send to us by 24 March 2018.

## How to submit your response:

You can respond to this consultation by sending the accompanying questionnaire via the following three options below:

**Online:** submit your response by answering a series of consultation questions and providing your comments on an online form, which can be found using this link:

<https://consultations.wearecamden.org/supporting-communities/kentish-town-rd-castle-rd-royal-college-st>

**Post:** send your response using the following free post address (no stamp required) to **Transport Strategy Service (FAO Raymond Cheng), 5<sup>th</sup> Floor 5PS, FREEPOST RSLT-RJBR-TXAA, London Borough of Camden, Town Hall, London WC1H 9JE.**

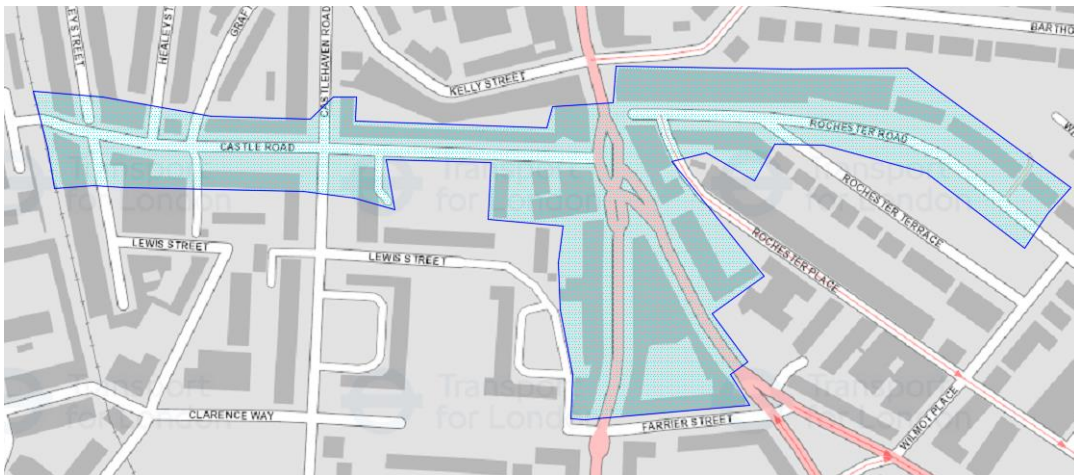
**Email:** send your response directly to [raymond.cheng@camden.gov.uk](mailto:raymond.cheng@camden.gov.uk)

**Please Note:** if you are responding on behalf of an organisation, only ONE reply per organisation will be accepted. You **must** give your full postal address when responding to the consultation if you want us to consider your views.

An Equality and Diversity Monitoring Form has been included. You do not have to complete this form; however, any information you provide will help us in making an informed decision on our proposals. The information provided may be used in our reports; however, your personal details will remain confidential.

Under the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985, your response is available for public inspection; however your personal details will remain confidential. Please only write to us about the consultation issue. If you want to comment on any other matter, please use a separate letter.

While it will not be possible to reply to you individually, all comments will be taken into account. The Director for Regeneration and Planning will make a decision in May 2018 on whether or not to proceed with the scheme and you will be informed via the council's website of the outcome of this consultation within three months, where possible.



## Who is being consulted?

The following are being consulted: all properties within consultation area highlighted on the plan along with Local and Statutory Groups, Emergency Services and Ward Councillors.

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**