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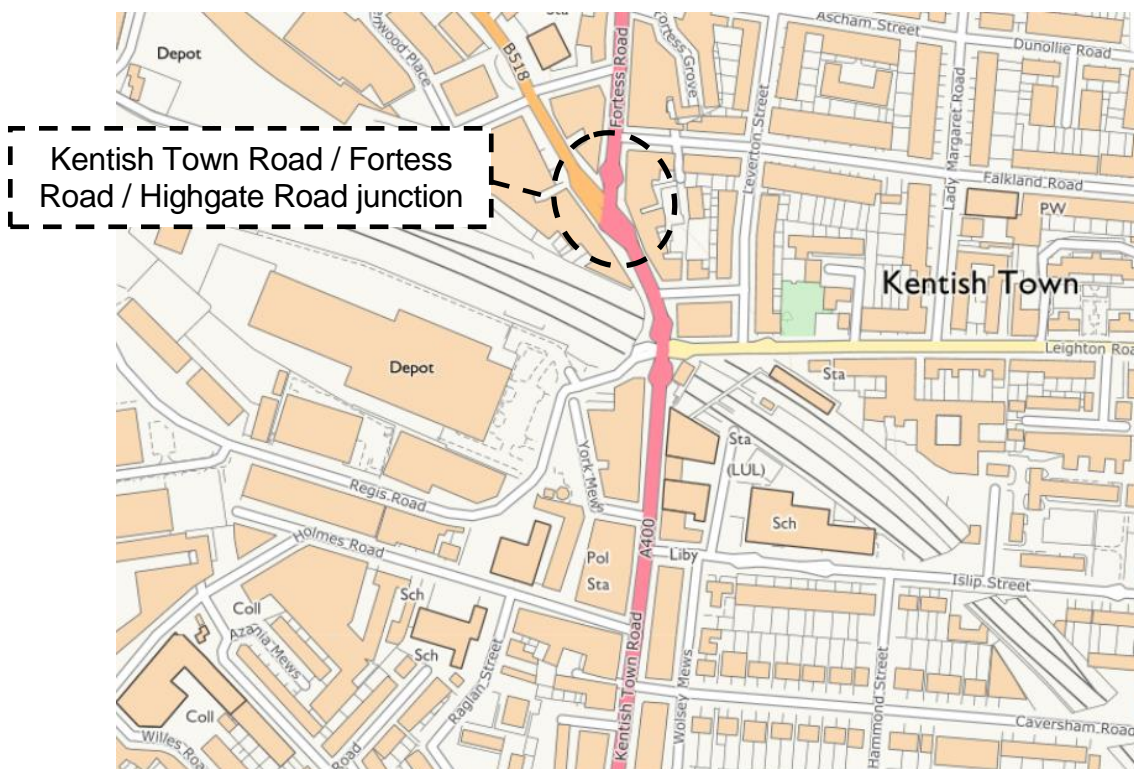
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# Kentish Town Road Proposed improvements to

## Kentish Town Road / Fortess Road / Highgate Road junction

We are seeking your views on the Council's proposal to improve the junction of Kentish Town Road with Fortess Road and Highgate Road.

As part of a wider scheme to improve Kentish Town Road, officers have identified a number of road safety and public realm improvement measures to make the junction of Kentish Town Road / Fortess Road / Highgate Road safer and more attractive for residents, shoppers and visitors. The plan below illustrates the overall area the Council is proposing to introduce improvements.



In order to identify the areas of road safety improvements, the Council analysed the existing road traffic collision (accident) data along Kentish Town Road. This analysis showed that over a three year period from December 2013 to December 2016 there were twelve road traffic collisions along Kentish Town Road, in the area around the junction. Out of the twelve collisions, two were classified as serious and the remaining ten as slight. Overall seven out of twelve collisions involved a pedestrian being injured.

In addition to analysing collision data, officers have engaged with stakeholders at a local Kentish Town Stakeholder Workshop and visited Kentish Town Road to identify problems such as narrow footways, indirect pedestrian crossing points and lack of cycle infrastructure at key junctions.

For these reasons, the Council is proposing a series of road safety and public realm improvements that should improve facilities for pedestrians and cyclists at this key junction and help to reduce the current collision rate. These proposed changes are outlined below and illustrated in detail on the drawing overleaf. There will be no overall loss in marked parking bays as result of the proposed amendments and the scheme is being fully funded by Transport for London.

## PROPOSALS

### Kentish Town Road / Fortress Road / Highgate Road junction

1. Remove and modify traffic islands in order to provide straight across crossings. This would de-clutter the junction and reduce the time it takes for pedestrians to cross the road.
2. Introduce cycle lanes and cycle advanced stop lines on Fortress Road and Kentish Town Road; this allows cyclists to stop in front of vehicles, allowing them to move ahead of the vehicles when the signal lights change to green. Introduce an advisory cycle lane on Highgate Road to improve safety for cyclists.
3. Remove railings on the Highgate Road approach to give better visibility across the junction.
4. Remove short section of bus lane on Fortress Road, between Falkland Road and the junction, and replace with a cycle lane. This would enable cyclists to move safely into the advanced stop line and the cycle lanes towards the next junction. Traffic modelling undertaken for the proposed changes at the traffic signals shows that buses would not incur delay due to the removal of the short bus lane. This is because of changes to the signal timings which will allow for better progression of motor traffic including buses through the junction.
5. Widen the footway along eastern side of the junction from Fortress Road to Kentish Town Road to offer shorter crossing distances and more footway space for pedestrians waiting to cross.
6. Modifications to the existing yellow box junction.
7. Install a mandatory cycle lane through the junction (east side)
8. Install countdown facilities to show pedestrians how much time is left to cross the road before traffic starts moving.
9. Introduce dedicated pedestrian stage at the signals, allowing pedestrians to cross all roads whilst motor traffic is stopped.

## 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 kindly respond to the consultation by completing the enclosed questionnaire and send to us by 12 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-fortess-rd-highgate-rd>

**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.**

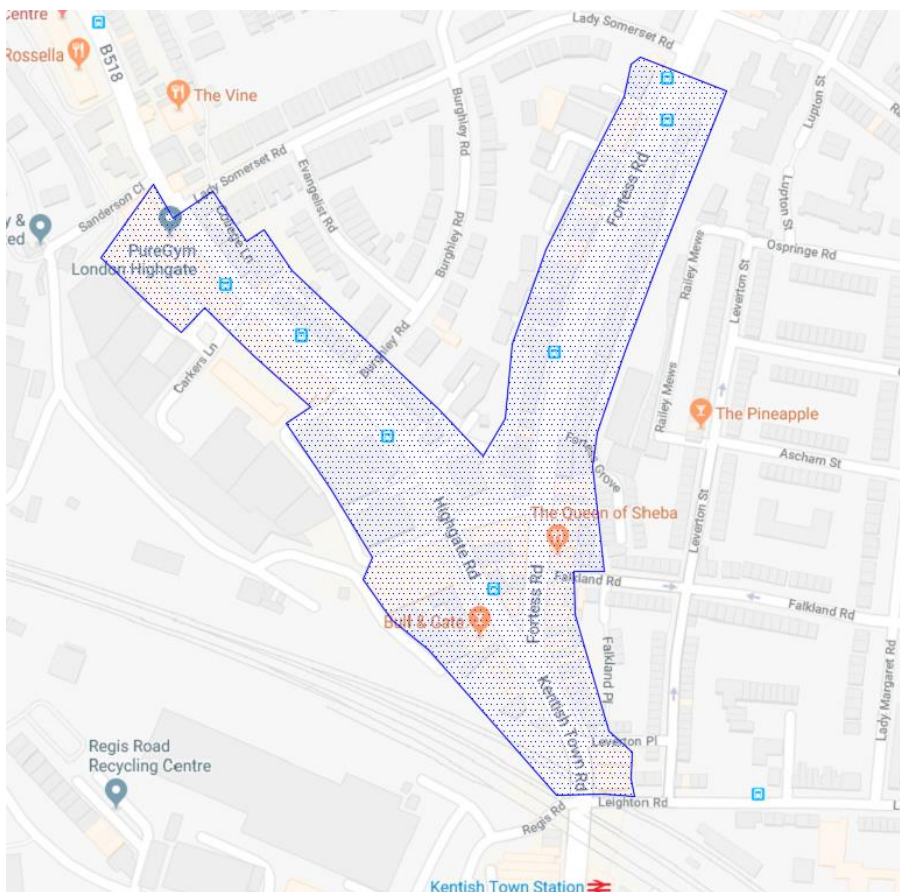
**Email:** send your response directly to [raymond.cheng@camden.gov.uk](mailto:raymond.cheng@camden.gov.uk)

**Please Note:** if you are responding on behalf of an organisation, only ONE reply 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 March/April 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 outlined on the plan along with Local and Statutory Groups, Emergency Services and Ward Councillors.

If you would like further information then please contact the following:

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**Thank you for replying to this consultation**