

## Important - Public Consultation

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

### ST. MARK'S SQUARE PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN & CYCLING IMPROVEMENTS

We are seeking your views on the Council's proposal to improve pedestrian crossing facilities at the junction of St Mark's Square and Prince Albert Terrace, and to introduce segregated contra-flow cycling on St Mark's Square to improve cycle permeability in the area. The junction is located close to entry points for London Zoo, Regents Park and Regents Canal, so we consider that these improvements will greatly improve access to these attractions as well as improve north-south cycling in this area.

The proposed improvements involve the introduction of a contra-flow (against the flow of car traffic) cycle lane on St Mark's Square that will allow cyclists to travel northbound safely along St Mark's Square. This will require the removal of one of the three existing traffic lanes along this road and all the existing parking bays will be moved and joined together to create one 'floating' parking bay that will be marked between the contra-flow cycle lane and southbound traffic movements. No parking spaces will be lost as a result of the changes proposed..



Example of 'floating' parking bay on Royal College Street, Camden.

At the northern end of St Mark's Square the footway will be widened to improve access to the existing zebra crossing on Regent's Park Road. This will also reduce the crossing distance across St Mark's Square, and the central island will be relocated to better suit the new road layout.



Example of 'countdown' pedestrian signals on Oxford Street

Modifications at the junction of St Mark's Square and Prince Albert Road will include the addition of a new green man pedestrian crossing, resulting in green man crossings on all arms of the junction. This will be assisted by 'Countdown' signals, which indicate to users how many seconds are left to cross the road before traffic will start moving. Providing the new crossing facility on the west junction arm will require widening the footway here and relocating the access to a private driveway.

A left turn pocket will also be added to Prince Albert Road, in the middle of the junction, to provide a safe place for cyclists to wait for a space in traffic before turning right into the new contra-flow cycle lane. Cyclists will be the only road user permitted to turn right.

Please see the diagram overleaf for a detailed plan of the proposed changes.

## What will happen next?

Officers will consider all responses and make recommendations which will be submitted in a report to the Director, Regeneration and Planning in October 2016. While it will not be possible to reply to you individually, all comments received will be taken into account. You will be informed via the council's website of the outcome of this consultation within three months, where possible

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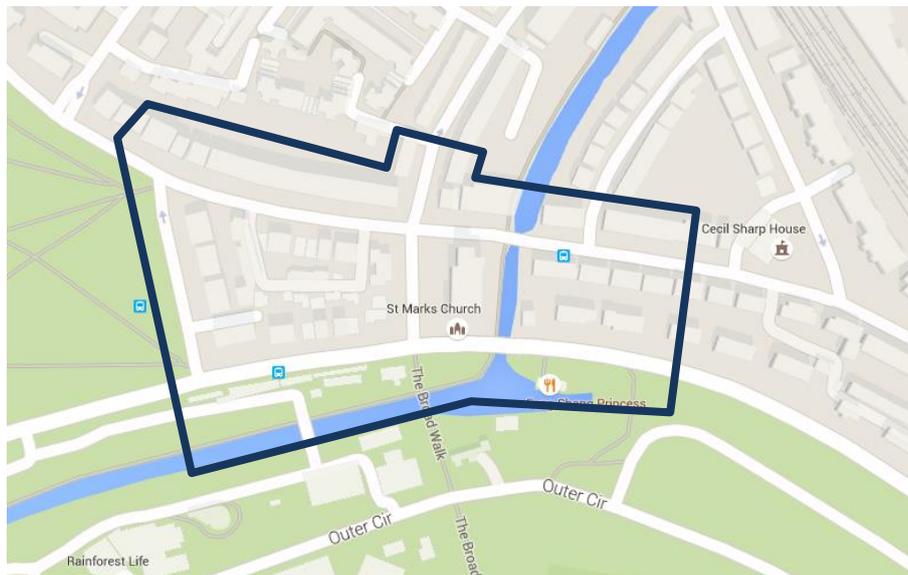
The Council will be pleased to hear your views on this proposal, please respond to this consultation by **29.08.16**. You can respond via email to [Joanna.alker@camden.gov.uk](mailto:Joanna.alker@camden.gov.uk). Please note only ONE reply per household, business or organisation will be accepted. You must give your full postal address when responding if you want us to consider your views. Alternately you can send your response to the **London Borough of Camden, Supporting Communities Directorate, Transport Planning and Parking Strategy Service, FREEPOST RLZH-UEYC-ACZZ, London, WC1H 8EQ**. No stamp is required if posting. This consultation has also been published online at [consultations.wearecamden.org](http://consultations.wearecamden.org)

Under the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985, we may not treat your letter 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 consulted?

The following are being consulted:

- All properties & businesses within the boundary line.
- Emergency services and statutory consultees.
- Local Ward Councillors



## SUMMARY OF PROPOSALS:

### Pedestrian improvements

- Extra green man crossing point at junction of Prince Albert Road and St Mark's Square.
- Countdown signal at signalised crossing points.
- Widen footway to improve access to zebra crossing on Regent's Park Road.

### Cycling improvements

- Contra-flow cycle lane full length of St Mark's Square
- Cycle turn pocket at junction of Prince Albert Road and St Mark's Square so cyclists can wait safely to turn right.

### Parking changes

- All existing parking spaces to be relocated to create new 'floating' car parking space.
- No loss of parking bay length.
- Total available parking to be extended by 2 metres.
- New 'No Waiting and Loading At Any Time' restriction for 20 metres from junction with Prince Albert Road. This will help stop junction or access to cycle advanced stop line being blocked by parked vehicles.

