Our healthy streets:

Dulwich Phase 1 of 4



Phase 1 feedback:

# What you told us

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# **Key findings**

# We launched Phase 1 of Our Healthy Streets: Dulwich from April to June 2019.

As well as the online map, we took our stall on tour to Dulwich Library, Dulwich Village and the Dulwich Fair, where we spoke to hundreds of local people about their concerns about poor air quality, volume of through traffic and road safety issues on their street. Thank you to everyone who has taken the time to share their experience and ideas!

This report provides a snapshot of all the things you told us during Phase 1. If you want to see the responses in detail, the online map is still available to view at www.ohs-dulwich.co.uk.

# MEASURES TO HELP SCHOOL PUPILS WALK AND CYCLE BY IMPROVING SAFETY AT JUNCTIONS AREA-WIDE APPROACH TO TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT TO ENSURE TRAFFIC STAYS ON MAIN ROADS AND AWAY FROM LOCAL RESIDENTIAL STREETS

# Overview of representations received

Key locations of concern:



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# Key locations of concern:

# **Dulwich Village area**

"Far too much traffic uses the road as a cut-through. At peak times traffic queues well over half the length of the road, the vast majority idling."

"It is exceptionally polluted in the morning. You can see the fumes. For the sake of the children the council needs to help the school."

School



Court Lane

"This junction is awful to navigate and often feels like a free for all. Signage for drivers needs to be clearer over right of way. Safer crossing needed for pedestrians that use this junction." THIS WAS IDENTIFIED
BY AROUND 40% OF
RESPONDENTS AS A
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CONCERN

"ASL safety zone for bicyclists often useless because access is blocked or it is occupied by motor vehicles."

"I witness a near miss daily with cars not stopping when turning right into Court Lane."

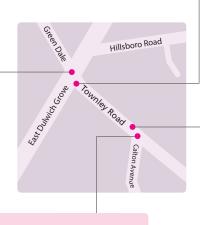


### Key locations of concern:

# East Dulwich Grove/Townley Road

"This junction needs to be made safer for pedestrians and cyclists – traffic should be deprioritised significantly."

"Very high speeds on East Dulwich Grove. I regularly witness speeds in excess of 40mph (in a 20mph zone)."



"Pollution is over the legal limit. Reduce the volume of traffic to stop breaking legal limits."

"Very difficult for students to cross the road here, quite dangerous in the morning as lots of traffic. Should be a crossing here."





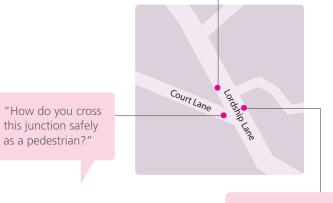


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# Key locations of concern:

## Court Lane/Lordship Lane

"Cars and large trucks speed along this segment of Lordship Lane. It is very difficult to cross safely, especially with children. Could a pedestrian crossing be added?"





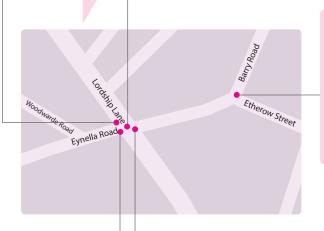
"Vehicles speed up early/slow down late and are travelling far too fast at the Court Lane junction which makes it difficult and dangerous for both pedestrians and cyclists."



# Lordship Lane/Eynella Road & Barry Road/Etherow Street

"There are too many vehicles and too many parked cars for children to walk out from behind. The junction feels polluted and dangerous. It seems to encourage poor driving behaviour including red light running and corner cutting."

"Cars race off from the lights at Barry Road junction. Particularly bad in this stretch due to double parking - often leads to cars slamming brakes as buses or large trucks block the road around the bus stops and junctions."



"Concern for health of primary school children who walk to St Anthony's school. Their playground is next to Barry Road, a high traffic and emission area."

"I regularly experience exceptionally high levels of pollution around Dulwich Library Junction." "Free flowing traffic would cause less air pollution."



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# Other top issues you identified in order of priority

- 1 Junction Barry Road/Underhill Road: "Road safety hotspot Cars block the junction, impede sightlines and make this very difficult to cross."
- 2 Junction A205 S. Circular w. Lordship Lane: "There is NO safe way for pedestrians to cross - no crossings; very little idea of the traffic sequence miracle there haven't been more accidents."
- **3 Junction East Dulwich Grove/Dulwich Village:** "A big safety issue, and cause of various near-misses I have observed, is that many drivers simply ignore the box junction. That impedes line of sight for drivers and is dangerous for cyclists."
- 4 Barry Road north end: "High speeds: Traffic calming measures are urgently required on Barry Road - the 20mph limit is barely noticed by most drivers."
- 5 Junction Townley Road/Lordship Lane: "Air quality: Biggest issue are coaches that cannot turn into road due to parked cars so blocking traffic both ways."
- **East Dulwich Grove:** "Every morning there is severe congestion along east dulwich grove stretching back to lordship lane with idling cars raising pollution levels and driver frustration making them take risks."
- 7 Townley Road: "Why not make this and other roads next to schools 'school streets' with closure to traffic in the morning and afternoon?"
- **8** Court Lane: "As long-time resident of Court Lane, I noticed in the last two years how the traffic flow has increased notoriously."
- 9 Dovercourt Road: "Cars rush down this road as its too narrow for 2 way traffic with cars parked either side. Speed reducing measures needed or management of parking should be considered."
- 10 Junction Underhill Road/Dunstans Road: "This junction is used by children and parents going to Goodrich School on Dunstans Road. At the same time of day it is a cut through for commuter traffic along Underhill Road. I am fearful that a child will be seriously injured."
- **11 Underhill Road:** "There is a very high degree of traffic on this road causing issues of safety and congestion."
- **12 Junction Dunstans and Goodrich:** "A busy junction with cars parking to pick up children from school. Very dangerous."
- **13** Whateley Road: "Drivers hammer down Whateley Road towards Lordship Lane, some clearly exceeding 40mph. Very dangerous to cross particular for children getting to and from Heber school."

# Summary

During phase 1 we presented clear data about poor air quality, through traffic volumes, and road safety hotspots.

Hundreds of local residents told us what they thought about these issues and used our online map to highlight the locations where there are the biggest issues that need to be dealt with.

You overwhelmingly supported all the broad solutions that we proposed, but from these your priorities were:

- 1 Improving air quality at pollution hotspots.
- 2 Measures to help school pupils walk and cycle by improving safety at junctions.
- 3 Area-wide approach to traffic management to ensure traffic stays on main roads and away from local residential streets.

# Areas of particular concern were:

**West of Lordship Lane:** Many people were very concerned about air quality, pedestrian safety and through-traffic volumes, especially around the key junctions at either end of Calton Avenue.

**East of Lordship Lane:** People raised many concerns about safety and traffic speeds at junctions across this area and provision for safer crossing for pedestrians.

**Lordship Lane:** Comments received reflects safety concerns at its junction with Eynella Road and Townley Road. Along the Lordship Lane corridor there is support for measures to improve walking, cycling and a healthy street environment.

# The way forward

# West of Lordship Lane:

Work with residents to explore traffic management measures to tackle through traffic in this area. This will help create healthy street conditions and address concern about poor air quality and safety at junctions.

**Comments** 426

User feedback

**Lordship Lane:** 

Concerns along this corridor to be dealt with as part of concept being developed to improve healthy streets conditions. Residents will be engaged in due time.

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# East of Lordship Lane:

Barry Road: Concern about speeding to be dealt with as part of 20mph programme. Residents will be engaged in due time.

# Friern Road/Etherow **Street/Barry Road:**

Work with residents to tackle concern about safety at junctions, safer crossings, speeding, improving walking and cycling conditions.

### All other locations:

feedback received will inform any emerging schemes.

# Feedback divided into different age groups

Age	Number
75-84	6
65-74	24
55-64	33
45-54	104
35-44	113
25-34	25
18-24	3
6-17	
Under 6	4

We have received over 300 registrations and over 2,300 interactions, with a very high level of agreement on what the problems are



**1510** (96%) Agree with comments

**69** (4%)

Disagree with comments

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# **Next steps**

- We will be holding workshops with residents to explore solutions that will address their concerns for the areas east and west of Lordship Lane.
- There will be public consultation afterwards.
- We hope to start making changes to improve your streets from 2020/21.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed so far. Working together we will make streets in Dulwich healthy.

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