

Connect 2 Element 5 Lower Road / Plough Way / Rotherhithe New Road Public consultation report

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This document shows the results of the public consultation that the London Borough of Southwark (LBS) carried out for the traffic management proposals in Rotherhithe New Road / Lower Road / Plough Way.

Project Location

The scheme is located in the SE16 district, within the Bermondsey and Rotherhithe community council area and the Rotherhithe and the Surrey Docks wards. The proposals include the introduction of measures to assist cyclists through the link between Oldfield Grove and Plough Way.

Refer to Figure 1 for Location Map.



Figure 1. Location Map

Background

The measures are part of the Connect 2 project, supported by Sustrans, to create a cycling and walking route from Burgess Park, Camberwell to Durands Wharf, Rotherhithe.

The main aims of the scheme are to:

- Create a straight link for cyclists travelling west-east between Oldfield Grove and Plough Way avoiding the main gyratory system via a shared use footway on Rotherhithe New Road. This includes footway widening.
- Upgrade existing pelican crossing on Bush Road into a straight toucan crossing to create improved crossing facilities for cyclists and pedestrians.
- Provide safer crossing facilities for Pedestrians and cyclists at the Lower Road and Plough Way Junction
- Reconfigure parking arrangements within the area between Bush Road and Lower Road

Consultation Process

The consultation documents (see Appendix A) were sent via second class post to residents within the area shown in figure 2 (530 house holds in total). The documents were sent on the 16th of July 2012 with the return deadline of 6th of August 2012. Additional 10 copies were sent to statutory organisations.

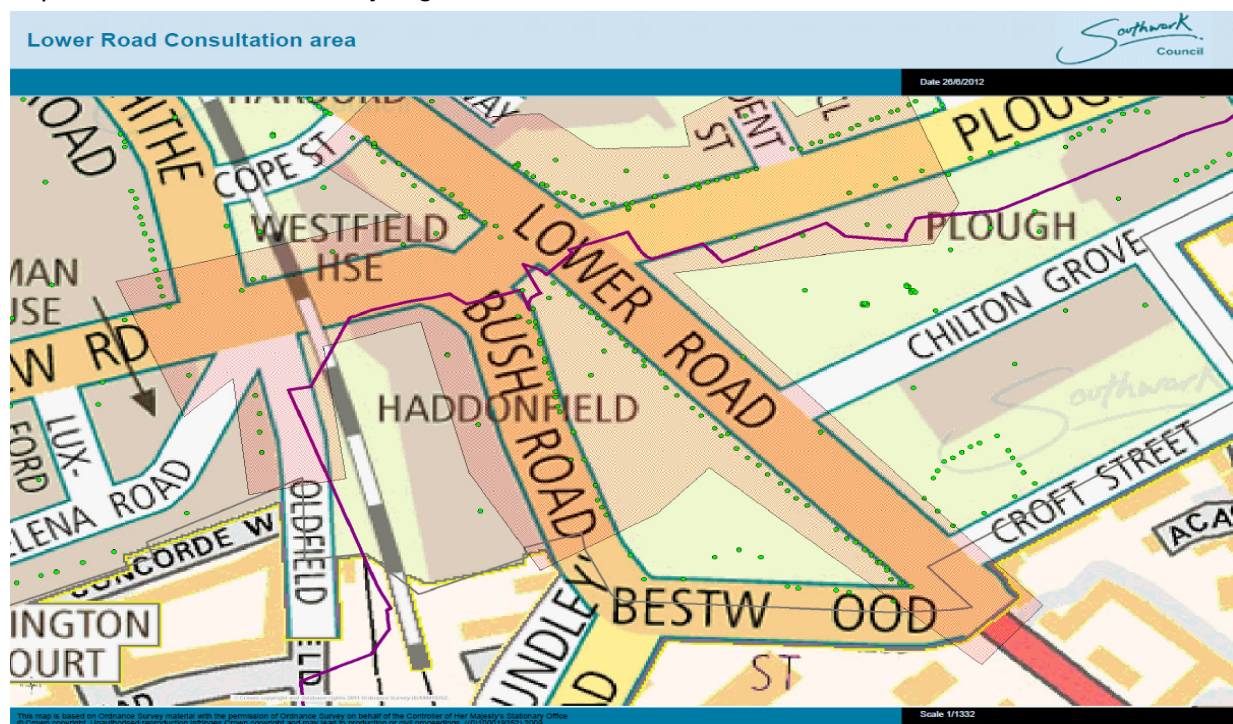


Figure 2. Consultation Area

Consultation Analysis

A total of 18 responses were received by post and by email. This accounts for a **3.3% response rate**.

As it can be seen from Figure 3, there is a 61% support for the proposals.

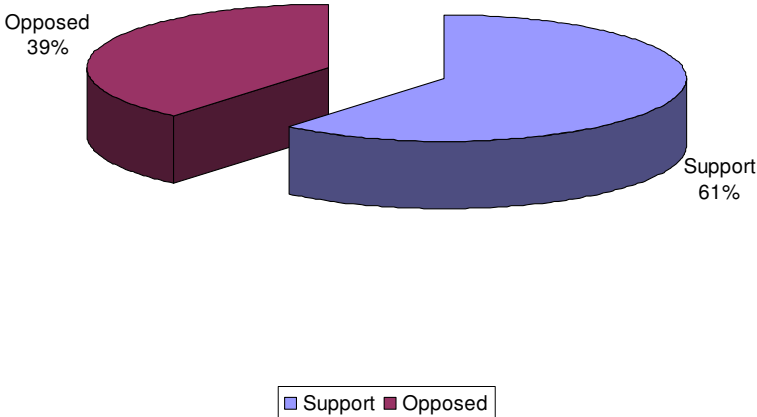


Figure 3. Support Level

From Figure 4, it can be also seen that the majority of responses came from local residents.

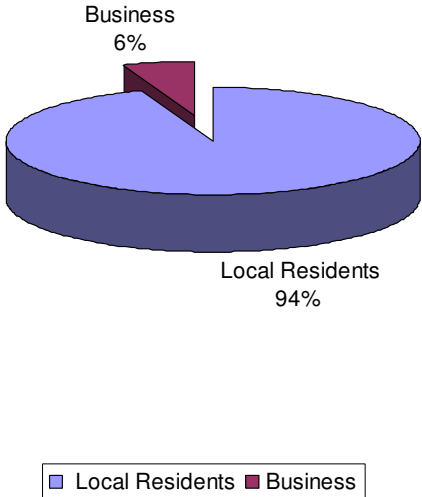


Figure 4. Responses source

Table 1 below shows the responses to each of the questions in the consultation document.

QUESTION	YES	NO
Do you support shared footway / cycleway between Oldfield Grove and Bush Road?	61%	39%
Do you support footway widening on Bush Road?	78%	22%
Do you support straight crossing across Bush Road?	78%	22%
Do you support shared footway / cycleway between Bush Road and Lower Road?	67%	33%
Do you support the reconfiguration of the parking arrangements?	83%	17%
Do you support the new junction layout on Lower Road / Plough Way?	83%	17%

Table 1. Responses percentage to individual questions.

Conclusion

The response rate for this consultation exercise was low, although not unusual for a scheme of this nature. From the responses received it can be seen that there is general support for this scheme.

On the responses to the individual questions, there is general support as well for each of them. It is worth noting, however, that the proposals of having shared footway / cycleway were the ones with the least support with 61% and 67% respectively.

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Appendix A

Consultation Document, Consultation Survey and Scheme Drawing



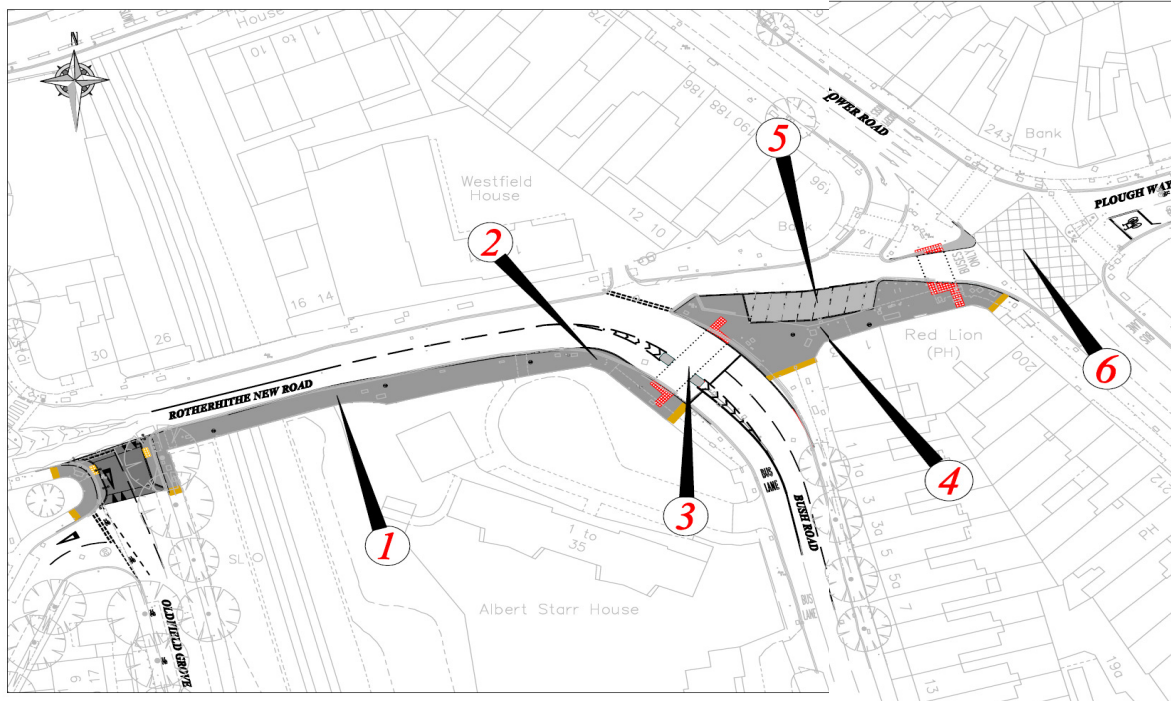
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List of proposals with numbers that refer to the plan

1. Shared footway / cycleway between Oldfield Grove and Bush Road
2. Footway widening on Bush Road
3. Straight crossing across Bush Road
4. Shared footway / cycleway between Bush Road and Lower Road
5. Reconfiguration of parking arrangement
6. New Junction layout on Lower Road / Plough Way

What is my input?

Please read through this leaflet carefully and take a look at the proposals and tell us whether you support the scheme by filling out the questionnaire included.

What happens next?

Please complete the enclosed questionnaire and return it to us by **Monday, 6 August 2012**. Should the scheme be approved by the Cabinet Member for Transport, Environment & Recycling; then the improvement works should start late in 2012 or early 2013. This is subject to project funding and necessary approvals.

Please note that due to the extent of the consultation and the number of responses anticipated; whilst we consider all feedback, it is unfortunately not always possible to reply to individual comments received.

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Introduction

Southwark Council is proposing road safety & public realm improvements in Lower Road / Plough Way / Rotherhithe New Road. The proposals include the introduction of measures to assist cyclists through the link between Oldfield Grove and Plough Way, and the introduction of suitable paving and street furniture to enhance the street scene. Funding for the scheme comes from Transport for London. The measures are part of the Connect 2 project, supported by Sustrans, to create a cycling and walking route from Burgess Park, Camberwell to Durands Wharf Rotherhithe.

Overview of scheme proposals

The main aims of this scheme are to:

- Create a straight link for cyclists travelling west-east between Oldfield Grove and Plough Way avoiding the main gyratory system via a shared use footway on Rotherhithe New Road. This includes footway widening.
- Upgrade existing pelican crossing on Bush Road into a straight toucan crossing to create improved crossing facilities for cyclists and pedestrians.
- Provide safer crossing facilities for Pedestrians and cyclists at the Lower Road and Plough Way Junction.
- Enhance the public realm by reducing street

- clutter and rationalise street furniture.
- Reconfigure parking arrangements within the area between Bush Road and Lower Road.

As a resident or business that may be affected by the proposals, we want to hear your views. The proposals within this leaflet identify the changes to the layout of the road and footway, the introduction of a shared footway / cycle way between Oldfield Grove and Bush Road, the introduction of a straight crossing in Bush Road, the footway widening between Bush Road and Lower Road and the new layout of the Lower Road and Plough Way junction.

Have your say about Lower Road / Plough Way / Rotherhithe New Road Proposals:

Please let us know whether you support the scheme or not by completing the section below.

Please complete the questionnaire and tick the boxes as appropriate, then fold this page and post it to the freepost address by 6 August 2012

Q1. Please state your name*

Q2. Please provide your address & / or postcode

Q3. Are you a local resident or do you work for a local business (please tick all that apply to you)

Local resident

Employee or owner of a local business

Q4. Generally, do you support the proposed measures?

Yes

No

Q5. Do you support individual proposals numbered on the drawing:

1. Shared footway / cycleway between Oldfield Grove and Bush Road

Yes

No

2. Footway widening on Bush Road

Yes

No

3. Straight crossing across Bush Road

Yes

No

4. Shared footway / cycleway between Bush Road and Lower Road

Yes

No

5. Reconfiguration of parking arrangement

Yes

No

6. New Junction layout on Lower Road / Plough Way

Yes

No

* This information will be used only to assist in collating responses and will not be quoted in any correspondence.

Please write any comments you may have on the proposals in the box below.

You can also view the consultation on Southwark Council's website at <http://www.southwark.gov.uk/consultations>