

**Peckham and Nunhead Community Council
Wednesday 17 April 2013 at 7.00 pm**

Rye Lane Chapel (main hall), 59A Rye Lane, Peckham London SE15 5EX

Bellenden Area – traffic management proposal

Officers are seeking the view of the Community Council regarding this scheme before a formal IDM report is prepared for the Cabinet Member for Transport Environment and Recycling to decide on the way forward for the scheme.

Background Information:

The scheme aims to simplify the local road network, to better manage general traffic and improve conditions for residents, pedestrians and cyclists in the area.

The objective of the first phase in 11/12 was to assess the two one-way systems in the Bellenden area as well as restrictions on access to Rye Lane and to determine the practical viability of removing these traffic management measures. This assessment considered factors such as road widths, parking layouts, junction geometry.

Detailed proposals were developed to deliver these objectives. These proposals are shown in the Consultation material at Appendix A.

Consultation

Prior to developing any design proposals a small group of local residents, from the whole area affected by the one way systems, walked around the main part of the one way systems with Council officers in September 2011.

The traffic and road safety issues highlighted by residents during the walkabout were carefully considered during the design stage.

Following scheme design, prior to public consultation, another site meeting was held with the local residents who attended the walkabout meeting in September. At this meeting officers received feedback on the preliminary proposal under consideration. Design was then amended to incorporate some of comments made during the site visit.

Ward and Cabinet Members were consulted prior to commencement of public consultation.

Public consultation commenced 1 March 2013 and was to complete 29 March. However, due to high level of interest shown and delay in some people receiving the information, the closing date was extended to 12 April. Consultation documents were delivered to about 800 residents in the area shown in appendix D. The documents were also available on-line.

At the open day event held on Wednesday 13 March about 30 residents attended. Officers displayed more information regarding traffic data, collision data, funding allocations, and responded to queries from residents.

Public Consultation –summary of responses

Summary of responses received is shown below. The figures are for percentage support for each question, both for all respondents and respondents from SE15 only.

Overall, 137 responses were received, a response rate of 17.1%. This is a higher than average response for similar types of consultation. Of those responses, 17 were in letter format so they did not provide answers to the specific questions and are not included in the figures below.

QUESTIONS	Yes %	No %
Generally do you support the proposed two-way traffic on Bellenden –Holly Grove-Lyndhurst Way-Chadwick Rd	58 52.5	42 47.5
Do you support the proposed raised junction table, incorporating a zebra crossing at Lyndhurst Way/Holly Grove junction?	76.4 76	23.6 24
Do you support the proposed raised junction table, incorporating a zebra crossing at Chadwick Rd/Bellenden Rd junction?	78 77.1	22 22.9
Do you support the proposed footway widening on Holly Grove?	73 70.5	27 29.5
Do you support the proposed footway widening on Bellenden Road, on the side between Holy Grove and No 85 Bellenden Road (the side of Bellenden Sign Ltd)?	73.1 70.6	26.9 29.4
Do you support the proposed double yellow lines on Holly Grove? This is to allow adequate space for two-way working?	52.1 45.6	47.9 55.4
Do you support the proposed double yellow lines on Bellenden Rd, between Nos 83 and 89, to allow adequate space for two-way working (the side of Bellenden Sign Ltd)?	57 51	43 49
Do you support the introduction of single yellow line (1 car length) to replace part of existing pay & display bay under the railway line, to ensure adequate space for to way working?	59.8 54.3	40.2 45.7
Do you support access only (no through road) two-way traffic on Bellenden Road, between Holly Grove and Highshore, with bollards at Bellenden/Highshore Rd junction?	48.4 4.1	51.6 58.9
Do you support two-way working on Highshore Rd, between Lyndhurst Way and Bellenden Rd?	57.9 52.9	42.1 47.1

Yellow font denotes those living in the SE15 postcode

Southwark Cyclists registered strong support for the proposals in a detailed response letter that is not included in the above results.

Generally there is support for traffic calming, footway widening and pedestrian crossing features of the proposal however there is divided opinion on the following issues:

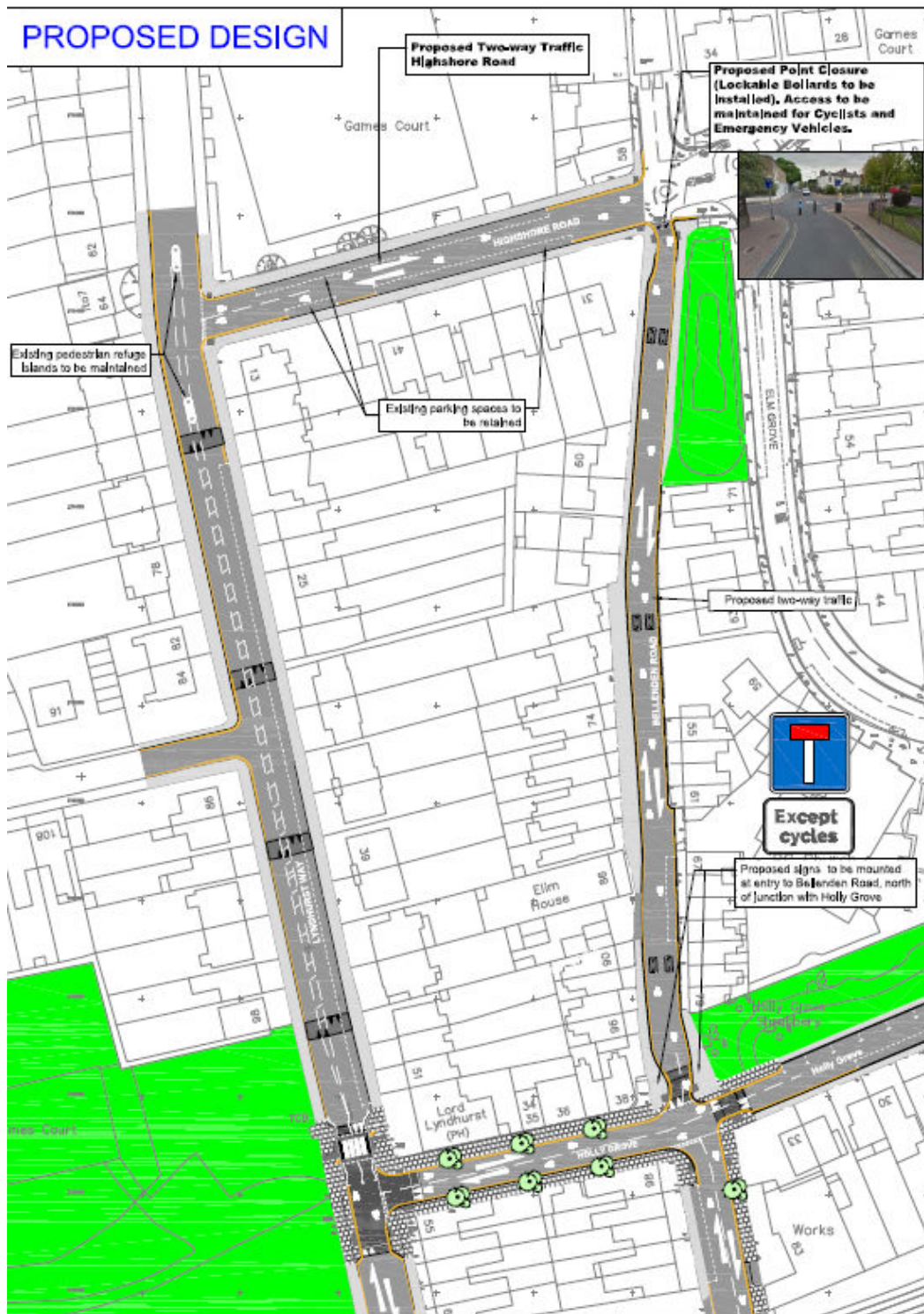
- Junction of Bellenden with Highshore Road-point closure.
- Amendments to waiting & loading restriction
- Two way traffic proposal on Bellenden –Lyndhurst-Chadwick-Holly Grove and Highshore Road between Bellenden Road and Lyndhurst Road

For those not in favour of the proposed two way working, their main concerns are:

- The point closure proposal at Bellenden Road
- Perception that the two way would cause more traffic management disruption.
- Potential increase in traffic volume , particularly on Holly Grove, if point closure is implemented
- Road safety concern i.e. potential accidents
- Difficulty in accessing driveway due to two-way working
- Loss of parking availability due to proposed amendments to loading and waiting restrictions to accommodate two way traffic

The elements that did not have majority support above are all considered to be key fundamental elements to the successful delivery of the overall scheme and given the lack of a clear consensus on these issues officers are minded to recommend that the scheme does not proceed at this time.

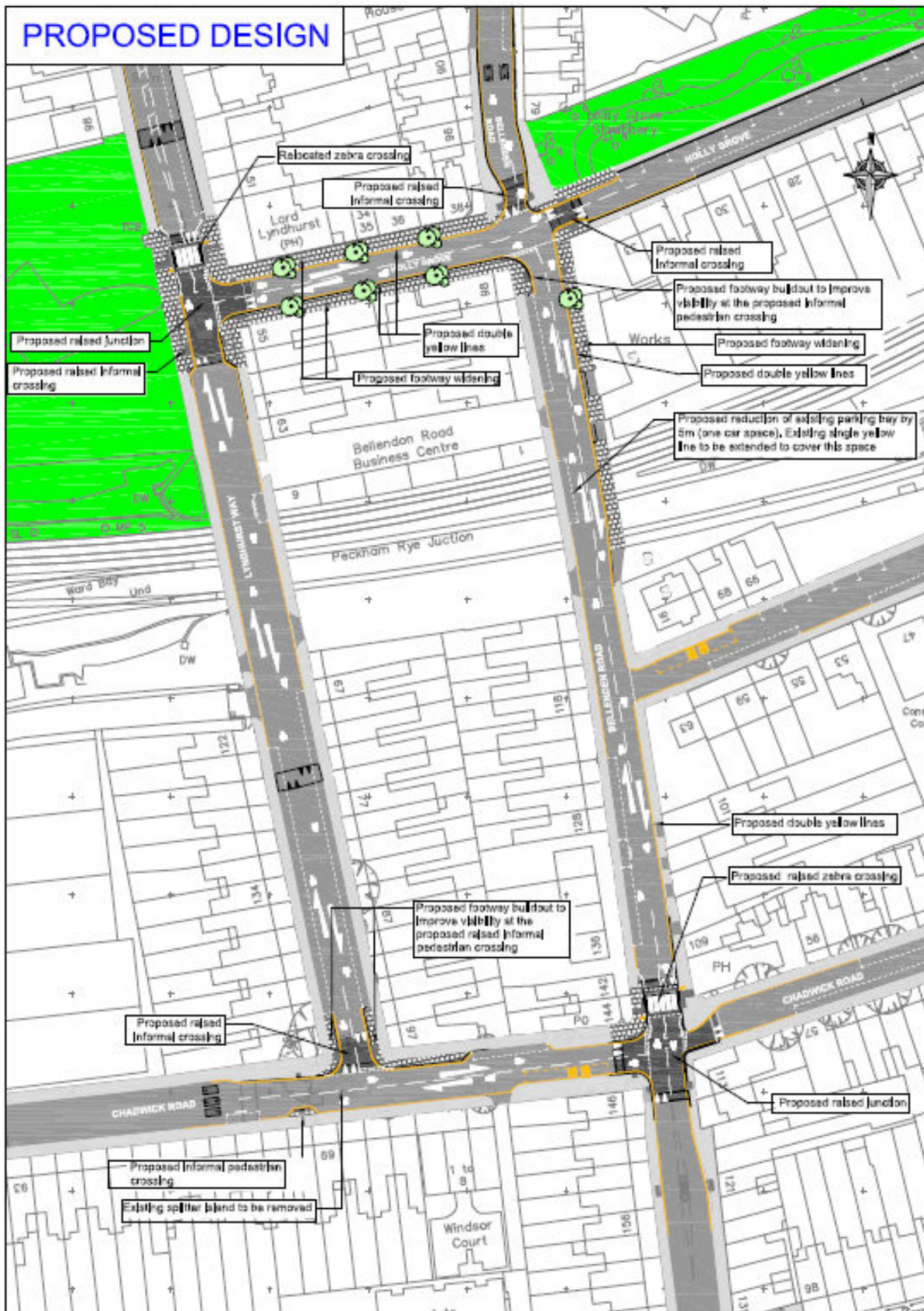
This report provides an opportunity for final comment to be made by the community council prior to a non-key decision scheduled to be taken by the Cabinet Member for Environment, Transport and Recycling in May 2013.








Legend

- Existing green space
- Footway build-out / extension
- Proposed Tree
- Existing carriageway space / driveway
- Two-way Traffic

PROPOSED DESIGN



Legend

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|---|---|
|  Existing green space |  Existing carriageway space / driveway |
|  Footway build-out / extension |  Two-way Traffic |
|  Proposed Tree | |

