

# Non-strategic Traffic and Highway improvement

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| Appendix          | 1920B1_MTS_006   |
| Location          | Swan Mead  |
| Proposal          | To convert Swan Mead from two-way to one-way operation |
| Community council | Bermondsey and Rotherhithe                             |
| Ward(s) affected  | London Bridge & West Bermondsey                        |

## Non-strategic Traffic and Highway improvement

A non-strategic traffic and highway improvement is a small project where the council proposes to modify the existing Highway layout. This may include changes to waiting and loading restrictions, traffic calming, improved crossing facilities etc.

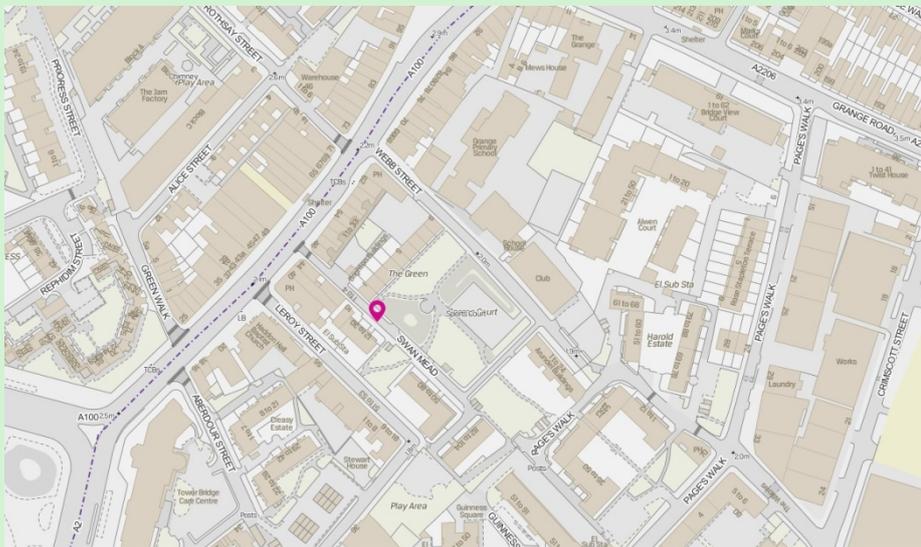
Under Part 3D of the council's constitution, the Cabinet Member is responsible for Transport Issues: To decide to implement a traffic and highway improvement project, subject to statutory consultation.

## Background / Request

- Initial request from Councillor Ali.
- Whilst visiting the area, an officer noted that due to the one-way operation of Webb Street, traffic has to exit via Swan Mead which leads to vehicles travelling southeast on Swan Mead to mount the kerb to pass and there is limited space to turn a car on the carriageway.

## Location

- Swan Mead near Tower Bridge Road.
- Swan Mead is in Grange (GR) CPZ, which was implemented in 2003.
- There is no parking available in the carriageway as it is too narrow.



### Investigation and conclusions

- A site visit was carried out following a visit to the Grange Primary School on Webb Street.
- Vehicles were seen to mount the footways to enable passing on Swan Mead.
- The carriageway varies between 3.1m to 3.8m wide.
- There is no turning head on Swan Mead to enable safe turning manoeuvres.



### Feedback from Community Council

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| Referral date (if applicable) | N/A |
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### Recommendation

It is recommended that Swan Mead be converted from two-way to one-way operation to complete the existing one-way system with Webb Street and prevent conflict between vehicles.

This proposal is subject to Traffic Management Order (TMO) statutory consultation. A TMO is the legal mechanism the council as traffic authority uses to control aspects of the way that the highway is used. They provide the legal backing to signs and road markings used on the highway and allow them to be enforceable.

A detailed design drawing of the proposal is provided within this document.

### Next steps

Should this non-strategic Traffic and Highway improvement proposal be approved, then arrangement will be made to carryout statutory consultation.

Following the statutory consultation period, the council will make arrangements to install the restrictions (road marking and signage).

Should objections be received during the statutory consultation period, these will be presented to the Cabinet Member for determination.

#### Audit trail

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| Reference             | 1920B1_MTS_006 |
| Report author         | TA             |
| Ward members notified | 09/04/19       |
| Referral              | No             |