

Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Wednesday 1 December 2021

7.00 pm

Ground Floor Meeting Room G02A - 160 Tooley Street, London
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Streetspace measures

1st December 2021

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Background

- Highway measures were introduced from 2020 under Experimental Traffic Management Orders (ETMOs)
- To assist social distancing and encourage active travel by reducing car use, promoting walking and cycling, and improving the on-street experience.
- Locations based on a range of considerations
 - Our Healthy Streets – Dulwich project
 - Walworth Low Emission Neighbourhood
 - Guys & St Thomas Foundation funded

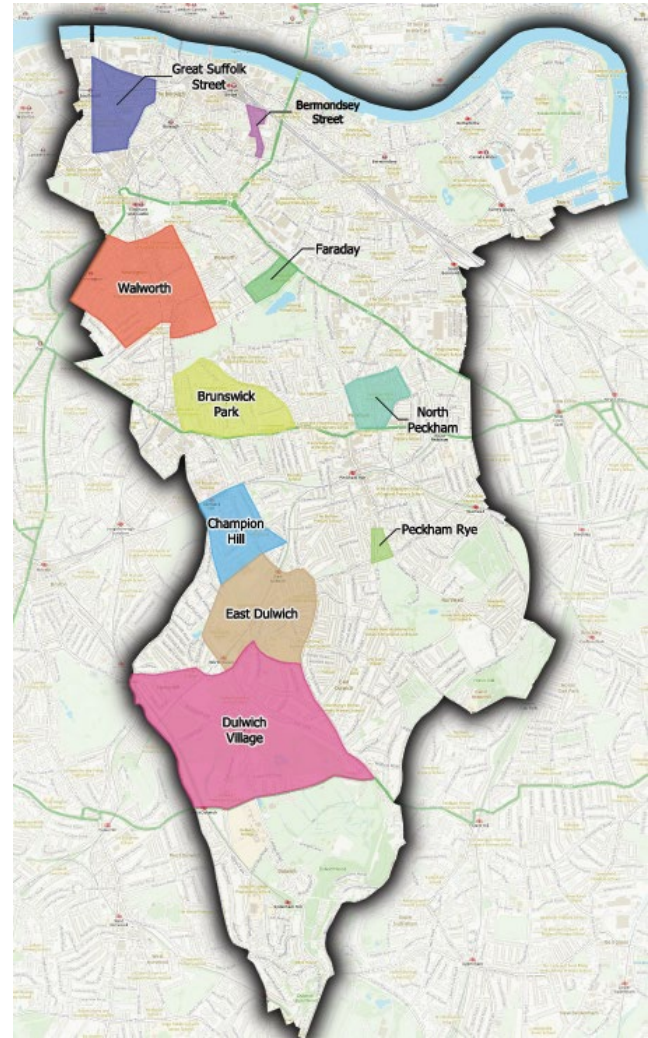


Ambition

- Make our roads **safer** for all residents and visitors.
- Make walking and cycling an **enjoyable**, safe and easy way of getting around, improving access to public transport for longer journeys
- Clean up our air, **reducing pollution** and noise levels, and creating a greener and healthier environment for everyone.
- **Reduce** the amount of cut-through traffic so all feel safer on local roads, as well as reducing parking pressure for local residents.
- Help **tackle the climate emergency**, reducing the carbon emissions from vehicles in Southwark, as they are one of the biggest contributors to emissions locally.
- Encourage people to **shop local**, so our local high streets flourish



Post pandemic streetspace measures in Southwark



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Process

- Determination of location
- Streetspace measures implemented via ETMO for max duration of 18 months
- 6 month initial objection period
- Review/consultation
- Decision taken on future of measures – published to council website and subject to call-in process



Process (continued)

- Subject to any call-in process, permanent TMO advertised with associated 21 day objection period
- Determination of objections – published to council website and subject to call-in process
- Permanent TMOs implemented (dependent on outcome of objection and/or call-in process)
- Ongoing review/monitoring for any mitigatory or complementary measures



Streetspace Review Process

- Summary of response rate by scheme

SCHEME	ADDRESSES	RESPONSE RATE
Dulwich	21,000 +	37.5% (25.5%*)
Walworth	19,956	8%
Bermondsey	3,303	20%
Brunswick Park	5,390	10%
North Peckham	1,190	11%
East Faraday	1,034	5%
Peckham Rye East	2,072	7.7%
Great Suffolk Street	4,902	8.3%
		* Response rate of those living in the area



Current position

Streetspace location	Position on 01/12/21
Dulwich Village	Determination of objections to proposed permanent TMOs – decision 2/12/21
East Dulwich	Determination of objections to proposed permanent TMOs – decision 2/12/21
Champion Hill	Determination of objections to proposed permanent TMO – decision 2/12/21
Walworth	Published and subject to Scrutiny call-in process by 1/12/21. If no call-in, next stage is permanent TMOs and stat consultation.



Current position (continued)

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Bermondsey Street	Published and subject to Scrutiny call-in process by 1/12/21. If no call-in, next stage is permanent TMOs
Great Suffolk Street	Published and subject to Scrutiny call-in process by 1/12/21. If no call-in, next stage is permanent TMOs
North Peckham (Guys & St Thomas Foundation scheme)	Published and subject to Scrutiny call-in process by 3/12/21. If no call-in, next stage is permanent TMOs



Current position (continued)

Streetspace location	Position on 01/12/21
Brunswick Park (Guys & St Thomas Foundation scheme)	Published and subject to Scrutiny call-in process by 3/12/21. If no call-in, next stage is permanent TMOs
East Faraday (Guys & St Thomas Foundation scheme)	Published and subject to Scrutiny call-in process by 3/12/21. If no call-in, next stage is permanent TMOs
Peckham Rye East	Published for initial call-in, earliest decision date 8/12/21 before proceeding to Scrutiny call-in 5 day period. If no call-in, next stage is permanent TMO.



Countering misinformation

- Use of social media to spread false, misleading and incorrect information
- Example misquoting WHO guideline figures for nitrogen dioxide levels
- We have not entered into a social media interaction
- Monitoring Data: Traffic Counts / Active Travel and Air Quality to continue in all areas
- Area Reviews after 12 months



New WHO guidelines

- Released in September 2021 - reduced the limits for all old guideline pollutants and introduced for carbon monoxide
- GLA to assess impact on current Mayor's air quality policies and amend as required
- Council to work towards meeting new WHO Air Quality Guidelines in the Borough
- Officers note this will be difficult and currently awaiting the GLA assessment results



New WHO guidelines (cont'd)

- Overall air quality is improving across the Borough but traffic congestion causes peak times of exposure
- Not unique to LTNs (hotspots across the Borough)
- LTNs have a part to play in the overall council strategy (along with ULEZ) to achieve the 2030 targets
- Same principle applies to bus delays




Any Questions

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 **SOUTHWARK**

WHO IS XR SOUTHWARK?

LOCAL BRANCH ADVOCATING FOR JUST AND EFFECTIVE ACTION TO TACKLE CLIMATE AND ECOLOGICAL EMERGENCY

TELL THE TRUTH

ACT NOW

BEYOND POLITICS

WHO IS XR SOUTHWARK?

LOCAL BRANCH ADVOCATING FOR JUST AND EFFECTIVE ACTION TO TACKLE CLIMATE AND ECOLOGICAL EMERGENCY

- Offered **policy advice** at different stages on decarbonisation strategies and the action plan by convening local experts
- Participated in the **NSP review process** to push for more climate action
- Advocated for and currently **supporting the Citizen's Jury** to include resident's voices directly

WHY ARE WE HERE?

- Southwark's Climate Strategy and Action Plan lacks specific, measurable, achievable, realistic, time-bound (**SMART**) indicators
- This makes it impossible to scrutinise the Council's performance against the strategy
- We suggest three quick improvements to:
 - Ensure climate emergency targets are **realistic**
 - Help **monitor and understand progress**

EASY IMPROVEMENTS

- 1. USE SMART TARGETS AND INDICATORS**
- 2. OUTLINE ALL COSTS AND FUNDING**
- 3. ALIGN WITH OTHER PLANS AND STRATEGIES**

USE SMART TARGETS

EXAMPLE - PG 53 SOUTHWARK'S CLIMATE STRATEGY

A. A more circular economy	1. Households are supported to reduce consumption, improve rates of re-use and improve rates of recycling/waste collection	Taking steps to expand food waste collection with a pilot of food waste collection in 15,000 communal properties.	Promote and partner with and invest in community groups to develop sharing/circular economy e.g., repair café, library of things, community fridge, food redistribution centres.
	2. Drive behaviour change in Southwark businesses to reduce consumption	Work underway to understand the shift in waste from commercial to residential that has taken place during COVID-19.	Support for residents to improve recycling in areas with low rates. Explore development of Recycling Reward Schemes which would incentivise commercial sites and workplaces based on the amount of waste they avoid throwing away.

USE SMART TARGETS

EXAMPLE – NEWCASTLE’S CLIMATE STRATEGY

Priority Action	
ID	Description
A&S1	Produce a guidance document for property owners that sets out a summary of the key planning policies that enable sustainable development and a simple guide to streamlining an application for low carbon initiatives.
A&S2	Produce a Green and Sustainable Procurement guidance document for our city's businesses.
A&S3	Produce a template and guidance document for preparing a Sustainable Travel Plan, tailored to specific audiences / users.

Activity Description: i.e. A&S2 Produce a Green and Sustainable Procurement guidance document for our city's businesses

USE SMART TARGETS

EXAMPLE – NEWCASTLE’S CLIMATE STRATEGY

Delivery Timeframe			
By COP26 November 2021	Short Term November 2021 - 2023	Medium Term 2024 - 2027	Long Term 2028 - 2030

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USE SMART TARGETS

EXAMPLE – NEWCASTLE’S CLIMATE STRATEGY

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USE SMART TARGETS

EXAMPLE – NEWCASTLE’S CLIMATE STRATEGY

Performance Indicator	Responsible Party / Parties
Planning Process Note produced and published	Newcastle City Council
Sustainable Procurement Note produced and published	Newcastle City Council
Sustainable Travel Plan template and guidance document produced and published	Newcastle City Council

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Performance Indicator: i.e. Sustainable Procurement Note produced and published

Responsible Party

USE SMART TARGETS

For example, Page 36:

1. Raise the energy efficiency of social housing with an EPC rating of D or lower

Specific: Add a baseline. How many social housing properties are currently rated D or lower? How many properties will be upgraded?

Measurable: How it will be measured, with what sources of data? What carbon savings will it lead to?

Achievable: How much will this cost? Do we already have the funds earmarked?

Realistic: For example, how have other Council-led programmes with similar objectives (e.g. Warm, Dry, Safe) performed? What lessons can be learned?

Time-bound: When will this goal be achieved? What are the key steps along the way?

BE CLEAR ON COSTS AND FUNDING

Example, page 63

“We estimate that this will cost over £3.92bn in capital expenditure, supported by additional revenue funding. Potential investment or funding streams include, but are not limited to, the council’s carbon offset fund, HRA funding, central government grants, revenue and capital funding from the GLA or TfL and various funding bids across the public, private and charity sectors.”

- The climate strategy is **not fully costed**, or showing what funding is available
- Indicate what **potential funding** streams there are, or where to get creative
- Each item in the action plan should have **costs and benefits estimated**

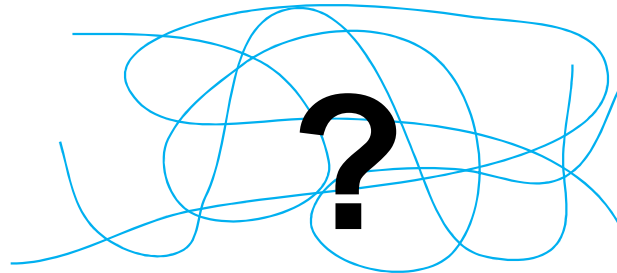
(e.g. **£10,000** to buy **100 solar farms** by **2030**, saving 10,000 tons CO₂)
- Which of these streams is a **priority**, if there is a limited pool of funding?

ALIGN WITH OTHER PLANS

**NEW SOUTHWARK
PLAN**

WASTE STRATEGY

MOVEMENT PLAN



**CLIMATE ACTION
STRATEGY AND PLAN**

ALIGN WITH OTHER PLANS

ENSURING ALIGNMENT:

- CONTENT AND CLEAR TIMELINES FOR **AMENDMENTS**
- **GAP ANALYSIS** - I.E. WATER MANAGEMENT?
- **LINK** TO RELEVANT STRATEGIES IN THE ACTION PLAN
- INCLUDE A **LIST OF POLICIES** ON THE WEBSITE'S CLIMATE EMERGENCY PAGE

WHEN WILL YOU MAKE IMPROVEMENTS?

1. **USE SMART TARGETS AND INDICATORS**
2. **OUTLINE ALL COSTS AND FUNDING**
3. **ALIGN WITH OTHER PLANS AND STRATEGIES**
4. **TRAINING FOR COUNCILLORS TO MONITOR PLAN**

**SOUTHWARK RESIDENTS ARE LOOKING TO
THE COUNCIL FOR AMBITION AND
LEADERSHIP.**

ACT NOW!

FLOOD RISK AREA

**FLOODING
AHEAD**

**TIME'S
RUNNING
OUT**

**REMEMBER
REMEMBER
THIS NOVEMBER
WE'RE WATCHING
BULLSHIT
and
COP**

