

Non-strategic Traffic and Highway improvement

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Location	Southwark Bridge Road – Sumner Street to 2 Southwark Bridge Road
Proposal	Cycleway 7 - Removal of paid parking bays and installation of cycle segregation facilities
Ward(s) affected	Borough and Bankside

Background/Request

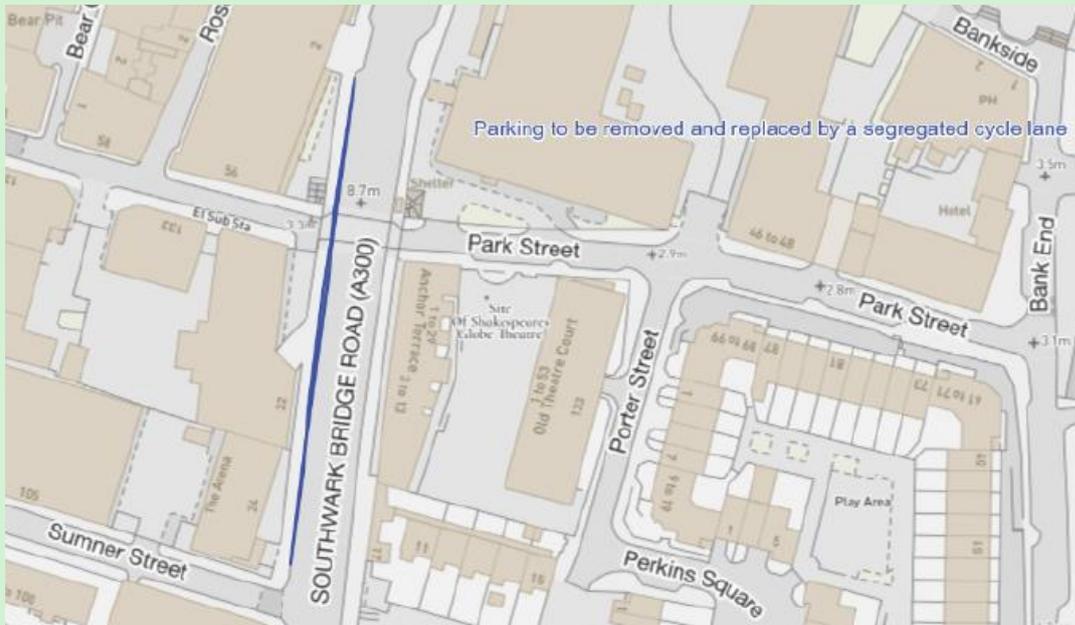
- Cycleway 7 (C7) runs the length of Southwark Bridge Road through Southwark. Improvements were made to C7 in July 2020 under an experimental traffic order (ETMO). A public consultation has been undertaken and it is planned that these improvements will be made permanent in January 2022.
- The section of C7 between Sumner Street to in the middle of building 2 Southwark Bridge Road was not included in the ETMO due to the refurbishment of buildings along Southwark Bridge Road and as a consequence was either behind hoardings or part of delivery zone for the development.
- The hoardings have now been removed and the delivery zone is planned to be removed at the end of January 2022.
- This section of the road has paid coach bays, six car parking bays and two disabled parking bays. Permission to remove the coach parking has already been agreed as part of the overall C7 which has all the necessary approvals.
- This report seeks to remove six paid car parking bays and two disabled parking bays to enable the installation of a segregated cycle lane so that this section joins up with the existing segregated cycle lane.

Background / Request

- This request came from a Highways Officer, highlighting the need to complete C7 to enable a safer environment for cyclists.

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Investigation and conclusions

- Officers from the parking team have been consulted, and have advised that they have no objection to the proposed scheme as it meets the targets of Southwark's Movement Plan.
- It is essential that this missing section in C7 be addressed to protect and encourage cyclists.

Recommendation

It is recommended that eight parking bays (six paid car and two disabled) are removed to enable the segregated cycle lane to be installed, to join up the gap in the existing scheme.

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 carry out statutory consultation.

Following the statutory consultation period, the council will make arrangements to remove the parking bays and install the segregated cycle lane.

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

Audit trail

Reference	62
Report author	CG
Ward members notified	Yes
Comments	None