

# St George's Way

## Consultation and Monitoring Report

April 2023

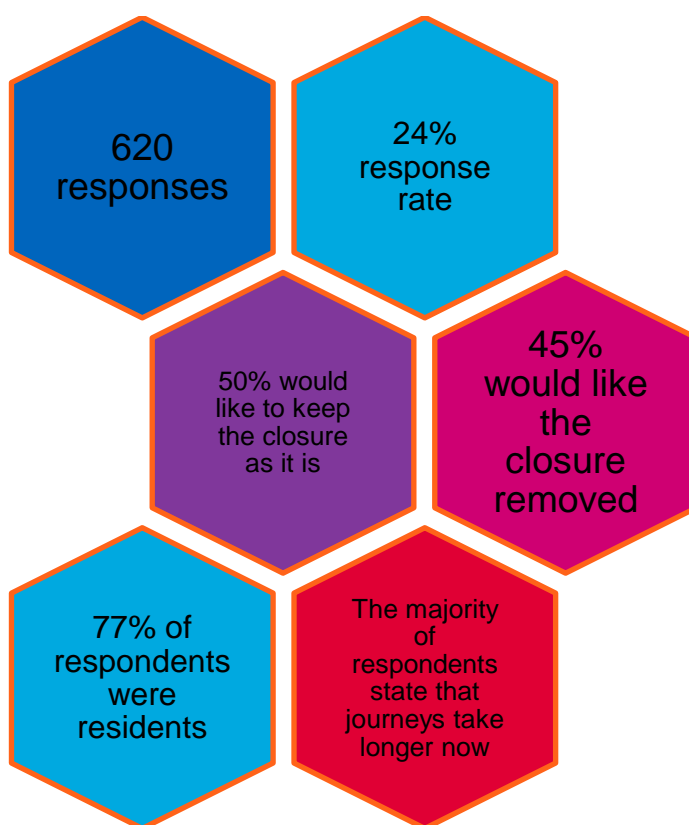


## Background

Southwark Council implemented a temporary road closure on St George's Way in early 2022. This closure allowed cyclists to travel along the whole stretch of road but restricted motor vehicles. These changes were enforced under an experimental traffic management order, which means that within 18 months of the implementation, we must consult on and monitor the impact of the scheme and a decision must be taken on whether to keep, remove or amend the changes.

This closure forms part of a wider north south cycle route, which includes a two-way cycle track on Commercial Way. This is currently on hold due to nearby development. The objectives of this scheme are in line with our Streets for People approach, which aims to encourage walking and cycling where possible, improve air quality, create safer streets with fewer cars and allow better use of the street space for residents to enjoy. Flyers were sent to 2,594 addresses in the area.

## Headline Consultation Results



# Consultation Outcome – by question

## 2. In your opinion, how has the closure impacted you and the local area?

How has the closure impacted you and the local area?	Agree	Disagree	Don't know
People driving in the area has increased	165	322	124
The area feels safer for people walking and cycling	341	228	43
Journeys by car now take longer	315	127	175
It has encouraged me to choose more sustainable modes of transport	290	287	32
St George's Way is easier to cross	369	206	38

This question shows that the majority of respondents don't think that the amount of people driving in the area has increased and that the area feels safer for people walking and cycling. However, a majority stated that journeys take longer by car, but they've been encouraged to consider more sustainable modes of transport and that St George's Way is easier to cross.

### Additional Comments by category

How has the closure impacted you and the local area?	Count
Quiet road is much nicer to be on and makes crossing easier	43
Longer local journey times	38
Main roads more congested	32
Traffic diverted down quieter streets	26
Increases pollution	18
Makes the road deserted and crime more likely	16
Quiet road is better for cyclists	16
Cyclists use the park anyway	12
Directs traffic past schools	11
It's the same	10
Less traffic in the area	9
Air quality is improved	9
Inconvenient for emergency services	7
Walking and cycling access to Burgess Park is safer	6
Access for emergency services is reduced	5
More collisions now	3
A safer alternative to the park at night	3
Has reduced conflict between cyclists and peds in the park	3
Traffic has been removed from the neighbourhood	2
Supports north south cycling routes	2
Protects cyclists against motor vehicles	2
Increase signage	2
Consultation has leading questions	2
Sense of less traffic on Wells Way	1
Makes taking children to school stressful	1
More street lighting needed	1
Longer car journeys is a positive	1

Wells Way needs cycle lanes	1
Costs more in petrol	1
Not increased car journeys	1
Cycleway 35 seems much safer now	1
Closure provides access for the Southwark Spine route	1
The park is busy with pedestrians	1
Closure is dangerous and motorists go through anyway	1
The issue is poor driving and poor cycling	1
Construction traffic	1
Improve it to prevent motorbikes passing through	1

### 3. Would you like the traffic filter on St George's Way to:

Would you like the traffic filter on St George's Way to:	Response	Percentage
be amended	24	4%
be kept as it is	312	50%
be removed	281	45%
not answered	3	0%
Total	620	

A small majority of those who responded would like the filter to remain as it is. When broken down into the different groups who responded, there's a slightly different trend:

Those with a disability were mainly in favour of removing the filter:

Would you like the traffic filter on St George's Way to:	Do you have a disability?	
	Yes	Percentage
be amended	2	3%
be kept as it is	27	36%
be removed	46	61%
Not Answered	0	0%
Grand Total	75	

Residents were more likely to request that the filter be removed, but visitors, passers-by and commuters were more likely to ask for it to remain in place.

Would you like the traffic filter on St George's Way to:	be amended	be kept as it is	be removed	Not Answered	Grand Total
<b>Resident</b>	21	188	266	2	477
<b>Business</b>	0	6	7	0	13
<b>A visitor</b>	3	89	7	1	100
<b>A passer by</b>	3	85	11	0	99
<b>A student</b>	1	3	6	0	10
<b>Parent/carer of local student</b>	0	8	24	1	33
<b>Teacher</b>	0	3	6	0	9
<b>Commuter to the area</b>	1	59	19	1	80

Those who stated that they were not white were less likely to request for the filter to remain, where as those who stated they were white were more likely to state that they wanted to keep the filter:

Ethnicity	Would you like the traffic filter on St George's Way to:				Grand Total
	be amended	be kept as it is	be removed	Not Answered	
(Asian) Bengali			3		3
(Asian) British		3	1	1	5
(Asian) Chinese		2	3		5
(Asian) Filipino		1			1
(Asian) Indian		3	1		4
(Asian) Other (please specify if you wish)			1		1
(Asian) Pakistani		4	3		7
(Asian) Vietnamese			1		1
(Black) British	4	4	53		61
(Black) Caribbean		3	17		20
(Black) Ghanaian			6		6
(Black) Nigerian		3	19		22
(Black) Other (please specify if you wish)			5		5
(Black) Other African			6		6
(Black) Sierra Leonean			5		5
(Black) Somali			4		4
(White) British	5	126	28		159
(White) English	2	31	20		53
(White) Irish	1	8	4		13
(White) Northern Irish		1			1
(White) Other (please specify if you wish)		14	13		27
(White) Other European	5	26	12	1	44
(White) Scottish		2			2
(White) Welsh		3			3
Gypsy, Roma or Irish Traveller			1		1
Latin American			2		2
Mixed Other background (please specify if you wish)	2	3	1		6
Mixed White Black African		1	3		4
Mixed White/Asian	1	3	1		5
Mixed White/Black Caribbean			3		3
Other ethnic background (please specify if you wish)	1	5	9		15
(blank)	3	66	56	1	126
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>620</b>

When looking at the way that people travel in the area, those that use wheelchairs would like the filter to be removed, as do those who use motor vehicles. The majority of every other category would like the filter to remain.

Would you like the traffic filter on St George's Way to:	be amended	be kept as it is	be removed	Not Answered	Grand Total
Cycle	16	281	72	3	372
Adapted cycle	0	5	1	0	6
Car	12	64	246	1	323
Bus	16	205	140	1	362
Light goods vehicle	0	0	6	1	7
Moped/Motor Cycle	0	2	9	0	11
Walk	20	238	181	2	441
Wheelchair	0	1	7	0	8

**Additional Comments by Category – Note that comments asking for the filter to be removed/kept were not included as these are covered in the main question.**

<b>Would you like the traffic filter on St George's Way to</b>	<b>Count</b>
Make it safer to walk at night	6
Safer and quieter	3
Add more filters	3
Add greenery or pocket park	2
Restrict motorcycles	2
Improve the actual look of the filter	2
One way for cars and a low speed limit	2
Remove signal crossing and replace with zebra	2
Add speed humps on Chandler Way	1
Make it safer to cross to Burgess Park	1
Only have filter at certain times of the week	1
Make it camera enforced	1
Make Wells Way less trafficked and more cycle friendly	1
Reopen at the weekend for cars	1

**4. If the closure was made permanent, what other ways do you think we can improve your area?**

<b>If the closure was made permanent, what other ways do you think we can improve your area?</b>	<b>Total</b>
More cycle parking	254
More greening	305
Other road closures	238
More benches	197
Other	156

**Additional Comments for ways we can improve your area? - Note that comments asking for the filter to be removed/kept were not included as these are covered in the main question.**

<b>If the closure was made permanent, what other ways do you think we can improve your area?</b>	<b>Count</b>
Dedicated cycle path	9
Put some greening in	7
More lighting in Burgess Park	6
Safe and secure cycle parking	5
More enforcement	4
Increased street cleaning	3
Move EV charging	3
Remove closure on Chandler Way	3
Add a Santander Cycle Docking Station	3
More bus routes	2
Put in some sustainable urban drainage	2
Replace lights with zebra crossing	2

More youth centres	2
Camera enforce the closure	2
Build more roads	2
More parking spaces	2
Extend the tube	2
Bike storage on Gloucester Grove Estate	1
Encourage use of the closure area	1
Close Chandler Way to traffic by school	1
Prevent fly tipping	1
Reduce the amount of motor vehicles	1
E-Scooter parking	1
Cycling training	1
Educate drivers and cyclists	1
More police patrols	1
More benches	1
Educate people why closures are needed	1
Make cyclists pay tax	1
Make it wheelchair friendly	1
Remove pedestrian guard rails	1
Close Commercial Way	1

## 5. How do you travel in the area?

How do you travel in the area?	Grand Total
Cycle	372
Adapted cycle	6
Car	323
Bus	362
Light goods vehicle	7
Moped/Motor Cycle	11
Walk	441
Wheelchair	8

## 6. Which street do you live on?

What street do you live on?	Would you like the traffic filter on St George's Way to:				Grand Total
	be amended	be kept as it is	be removed	Not Answered	
ALDER CLOSE		2	3		5
BIBURY CLOSE	1	3	25		29
BLAKES ROAD		5	3		8
BURCHER GALE GROVE	1	5	10		16
CATOR STREET		7	11		18
CHANDLER WAY	3	11	26		40
COLEMAN ROAD		6	2		8
COMFORT STREET		3	1		4
DANIEL GARDENS		1	10		11
DAVEY STREET		2	10		12
DRAGON ROAD		1	7		8
EBLEY CLOSE	3	3	9		15
EDGAR WALLACE CLOSE	1	3			4
GANDOLFI STREET		1	4		5
LYNBROOK GROVE		3	14		17
NEWENT CLOSE		3	4		7
PEARSE STREET		1	4		5
PECKHAM GROVE	1	9	4		14
PENNACK ROAD		1	6		7
RAINBOW STREET		4	4		8
SHIELD STREET			3		3
ST GEORGES WAY	1	18	16		35
SUMNER ROAD	3	14	22		39
TILSON CLOSE		1	2		3
TOWER MILL ROAD		7	7		14
WATLING STREET		2	1		3
WELLS WAY	1	8	11		20
(blank)	9	188	62	3	262
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>620</b>

## 7. Are you

Are you:	Total
Resident	477
Business	13
A visitor	100
A passer by	99
A student	10
Parent/carer of local student	33
Teacher	9
Commuter to the area	80



# Equalities Questions

We ask these questions to ensure we are providing a fair service to all of Southwark's diverse communities. No questions were obligatory. In most cases, this section compares the responses to the available Census 2021 data for this particular area to see how the numbers compare to the actual totals in the area.

## Age:

Age	Number	Percentage	Census
Under 16	0	0%	19.5%
16 - 17	2	94%	73%
18 - 24	15		
25 - 34	166		
35 - 44	144		
45 - 54	89		
55 - 64	76		
65 - 74	29	6%	7.5%
75 - 84	5		
Total	526		

This consultation over represented those aged between 16 and 64 and underrepresented those aged 15 and under. This is unsurprising as this category would include very young children who are unlikely to respond to the consultation.

## Ethnicity:

What is your ethnic background?	Count	Percentage	Census
(Asian) Bengali	3	5%	9%
(Asian) British	5		
(Asian) Chinese	5		
(Asian) Filipino	1		
(Asian) Indian	4		
(Asian) Other (please specify if you wish)	1		
(Asian) Pakistani	7		
(Asian) Vietnamese	1		
(Black) British	61	26%	49%
(Black) Caribbean	20		
(Black) Ghanaian	6		
(Black) Nigerian	22		
(Black) Other (please specify if you wish)	5		
(Black) Other African	6		
(Black) Sierra Leonean	5		
(Black) Somali	4		
(White) British	159	61%	26%
(White) English	53		
(White) Irish	13		
(White) Northern Irish	1		
(White) Other (please specify if you wish)	27		
(White) Other European	44		
(White) Scottish	2		
(White) Welsh	3		
Mixed Other background (please specify if yo	6	4%	8%
Mixed White Black African	4		
Mixed White/Asian	5		
Mixed White/Black Caribbean	3		
Other ethnic background (please specify if yo	15	4%	7.8%
Gypsy, Roma or Irish Traveller	1		
Latin American	2		
(blank)			
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>494</b>	<b>100%</b>	

The table above shows that the consultation is over representative of those who stated that they were white and does not fully represent the Black and Asian community. This may have been influenced by those who have responded as visitors/commuters in the area rather than residents. The table looks at those who stated that they were residents of the area. This shows the respondents were slightly more representative of the Black population in the North Peckham area.

Those who selected that they live on a street in the area					
Ethnicity	Total	Percent	Grouped	%	Census
(Asian) Bengali	2	1%	20	7%	9%
(Asian) British	2	1%			
(Asian) Chinese	4	1%			
(Asian) Filipino	1	0%			
(Asian) Indian	3	1%			
(Asian) Other (please specify if you wish)	1	0%			
(Asian) Pakistani	6	2%			
(Asian) Vietnamese	1	0%			
(Black) British	51	17%	107	37%	49%
(Black) Caribbean	15	5%			
(Black) Ghanaian	5	2%			
(Black) Nigerian	17	6%			
(Black) Other (please specify if you wish)	5	2%			
(Black) Other African	6	2%			
(Black) Sierra Leonean	5	2%			
(Black) Somali	3	1%			
(White) British	69	24%	142	48%	26%
(White) English	19	6%			
(White) Irish	10	3%			
(White) Other (please specify if you wish)	16	5%			
(White) Other European	27	9%			
(White) Scottish	1	0%			
Mixed Other background (please specify if you wish)	5	2%	10	3%	8%
Mixed White Black African	3	1%			
Mixed White/Black Caribbean	2	1%			
Other ethnic background (please specify if you wish)	11	4%	14	5%	7.8%
Gypsy, Roma or Irish Traveller	1	0%			
Latin American	2	1%			
(blank)					
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>293</b>				

### Are you disabled?

Are you disabled?	Number
Yes	75
No	398
Prefer not to say	31

### What is your sex as recorded at birth?

What is your sex as recorded at birth?	Number	Percentage	Census
Female	226	46%	53.2%
Male	250	51%	46.8%
Other (please specify if you wish)	2	0%	0
Prefer not to say	16	3%	0
Total	494		

Those who stated their sex as male are over represented in this consultation.

### Is the Gender you identify with the same as the sex you were recorded at birth?

Is the Gender you identify with the same as the sex you were recorded at birth?	Number	Percentage	Census
No	6	1%	1.39%
Prefer not to say	21	4%	9.08%
Yes	447	94%	89.54%
Total	474		

### Which of the following best describes your sexual orientation?

Which of the following best describes your sexual orientation?	Number	Percentage	Census
Bisexual	18	4%	1.77%
Gay man	30	7%	4.53%
Lesbian/Gay woman	13	3%	
Heterosexual/straight	347	76%	84.11%
Other (please specify if you wish)	5	1%	0.98%
Prefer not to say	44	10%	10.38%
<b>Total</b>	<b>457</b>		

Heterosexual/straight people are slightly underrepresented in this survey

### What is your religion or belief?

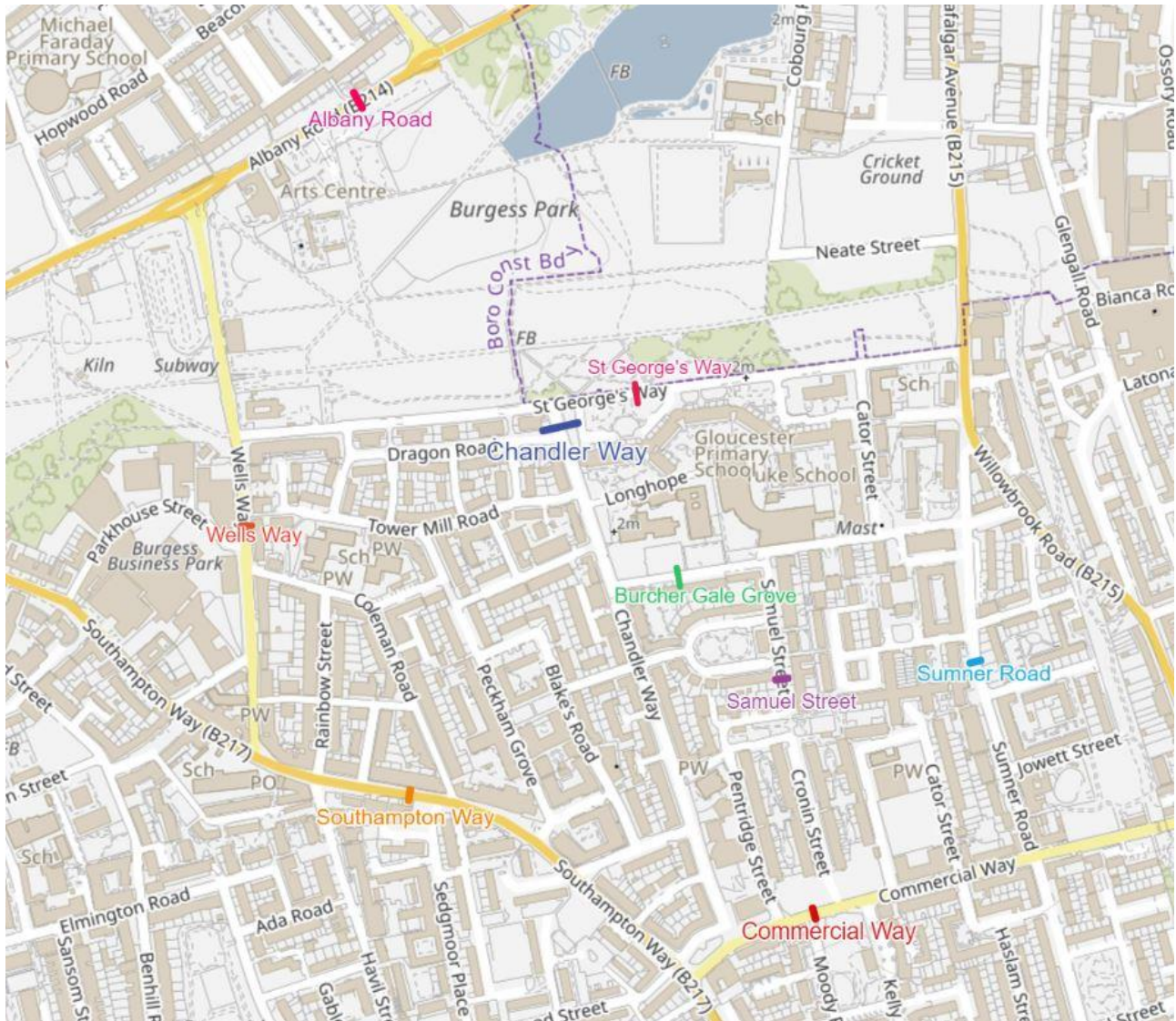
Religion	Number	Percentage	Census
Buddhist	5	1%	1%
Christian	148	33%	52.20%
Hindu	2	0%	0.60%
Jewish	4	1%	0.10%
Muslim	31	7%	14.80%
No religion	236	52%	22.40%
Other (please specify if you wish)	23	5%	0.80%
Sikh	1	0%	0.20%
Total	450		

Those with no religion are over represented in this survey

# Monitoring Data

Prior to the implementation of the modal filter one round of monitoring was undertaken on the streets around the Burgess Park and North Peckham area. Another round was undertaken after the implementation. A third round was undertaken in March 2023.

The locations are shown below:



The changes in traffic flows for each location can be found below:

Weekday Averages - both directions							
Location	Wave One - w/c 09/03/22	Wave Two - w/c 16/06/22	Wave Three - w/c 18/03/23	Percentage change Wave One to Two	Percentage change Wave One to Three	Percentage change Wave Two to Three	
Burcher Gale Grove	912	1185	1086	30%	19%	-8%	
Chandler Way (north)	1502	1514	1211	1%	-19%	-20%	
Albany Road	20081	22527	20999	12%	5%	-7%	
Commercial Way	10719	12555	11240	17%	5%	-10%	
Samuel Street	595	1078	1004	81%	69%	-7%	
Southampton Way	9527	11869	10566	25%	11%	-11%	
St Georges Way	4909	642	634	-87%	-87%	-1%	
Sumner Road	1656	1861	1809	12%	9%	-3%	
Wells Way	10330	10145	8975	-2%	-13%	-12%	
<b>Total change</b>	<b>60231</b>	<b>63376</b>	<b>57524</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>-4%</b>	<b>-9%</b>	

The table above shows that the roads with the highest increase in people driving were Burcher Gale Grove and Samuel Street, however both had quite low levels of traffic to start with. This increase from Wave One to Wave Two decreased for both roads in Wave Three. While many of the comments received as part of this consultation focused on the surrounding roads experience an increase in traffic, this was only a 5% increase for Albany Road and Commercial Way and traffic on Wells Way actually decreased. Overall, when we look at totals for all areas, on average motor vehicle traffic reduced by 4% from March 2022 to March 2023.

### Breakdown of Type of Vehicle

**PC** – Pedal Cycle, **MC** – Motor Cycle, **CAR** – Car, **LGV** – Light Goods Vehicle, **OGV1** – A large vehicle such as a Large van, ambulance or medium lorry, **OGV2** – A rigid vehicle with more than four axles such as an articulated lorry, **PSV** – Public service vehicle such as a bus

Burcher Gale Grove								
Combined - 7 day average								
Transport mode	PC	MC	CAR	LGV	OGV1	OGV2	PSV	Total
w/c 9/3/22	31	51	632	101	37	0	0	853
w/c 16/6/22	101	68	765	120	33	2	0	1089
w/c 18/3/23	86	56	822	70	26	1	0	1061

A slight increase in car and pedal cycle usage can be seen on Burcher Gale Grove, but there has been a decrease in larger vehicles on this street.

St George's Way								
Combined - 7 day average								
Transport mode	PC	MC	CAR	LGV	OGV1	OGV2	PSV	Total
w/c 9/3/22	91	185	3624	541	179	17	0	4637
w/c 16/6/22	154	104	306	53	12	2	0	631
w/c 18/3/23	251	105	207	20	6	2	0	591

There was a large decrease in motor vehicle usage on St George's Way and a large increase in pedal cycle usage.

Chandler Way								
Combined - 7 day average								
Transport mode	PC	MC	CAR	LGV	OGV1	OGV2	PSV	Total
w/c 9/3/22	344	150	810	45	15	8	0	1372
w/c 16/6/22	319	179	725	149	23	7	1	1403
w/c 18/3/23	245	119	698	88	19	5	0	1175

Chandler Way saw a decrease in most types of vehicles apart from a slight increase in LGVs and OGV1s.

Wells Way								
Combined - 7 day average								
Transport mode	PC	MC	CAR	LGV	OGV1	OGV2	PSV	Total
w/c 9/3/22	349	283	6434	682	837	108	52	8744
w/c 16/6/22	382	503	6395	1694	727	74	7	9781
w/c 18/3/23	578	273	6788	559	521	49	3	8770

Wells Way saw a slight increase in car and pedal cycle usage. Larger vehicle usage went up in June 2022, but decreased to below March 2022 volumes in March 2023.

Southampton Way								
Combined - 7 day average								
Transport mode	PC	MC	CAR	LGV	OGV1	OGV2	PSV	Total
w/c 9/3/22	323	334	7387	724	424	58	9	9260
w/c 16/6/22	447	356	9226	856	481	86	20	11473
w/c 18/3/23	373	382	8029	1037	657	59	13	10550

Southampton Way saw a slight increase in all vehicles.

Samuel Street								
Combined - 7 day average								
Transport mode	PC	MC	CAR	LGV	OGV1	OGV2	PSV	Total
w/c 9/3/22	28	48	373	84	25	0	0	558
w/c 16/6/22	34	56	752	111	38	2	0	992
w/c 18/3/23	39	41	822	76	26	1	0	1006

Samuel Street saw a large increase in car usage.

Commercial Way								
Combined - 7 day average								
Transport mode	PC	MC	CAR	LGV	OGV1	OGV2	PSV	Total
w/c 9/3/22	202	502	8313	1155	316	93	5	10586
w/c 16/6/22	258	553	9441	1669	411	114	28	12473
w/c 18/3/23	313	416	9479	955	292	102	10	11567

Commercial Way saw an increase in car and cycle usage but a decrease in larger vehicles.

Sumner Road								
Combined - 7 day average								
Transport mode	PC	MC	CAR	LGV	OGV1	OGV2	PSV	Total
w/c 9/3/22	187	180	1086	145	42	5	0	1644
w/c 16/6/22	185	193	1231	166	31	9	1	1814
w/c 18/3/23	288	147	1233	66	34	5	0	1773

Sumner Road saw an increase in cyclists and cars, but a decrease in larger vehicles.

Albany Road								
Combined - 7 day average								
Transport mode	PC	MC	CAR	LGV	OGV1	OGV2	PSV	Total
w/c 9/3/22	244	730	14789	2595	1228	168	28	19781
w/c 16/6/22	209	787	16904	3024	1106	182	50	22262
w/c 18/3/23	303	619	17209	1391	689	163	19	20393

Albany Road saw an increase in cyclists and cars but a large decrease in larger vehicles.