Charlton Road - Consultation

Proposed Cycle Route Improvements Bellfield Close to Victoria Way November 2013



Why are we proposing this scheme?

The Royal Borough is committed to providing new and improved facilities for cyclists, for which we receive funding to deliver schemes on the London Cycle Network (LCN). Using this funding, a review of LCN Route 19 (which runs from Charlton Road to Invicta Road) has been undertaken. This review identified a number of existing cycle lanes which are in need of improvement.

This scheme aims to improve the existing cycle lanes located along the east and westbound carriageway of Charlton Road between Bellfield Close and Victoria Way. The cycle lanes are located adjacent to sections of on street parking and its existing width is narrow, ranging between 1.0 and 1.1 metres.

It is our intention to widen the cycle lane to a minimum of 1.5 metres and improve the existing facility. The proposals will allow a more comfortable use of the cycle lanes for cyclists by providing additional space away from parked vehicles. The cycle lane will also continue to provide an uninterrupted facility along the link, whilst maintaining adequate road width for the remaining traffic lanes.

It is hoped that the proposals will encourage more people to cycle, which is important to the Royal Borough of Greenwich as cycling is an efficient, cheap, quiet, healthy and nonpolluting sustainable form of transportation.

What are the proposed improvements?

The proposed improvements are to:

- Widen the existing cycle lanes to a minimum of 1.5 metres
- Extend the start of the eastbound cycle lane back towards the bus stop opposite Bellfield Close
- Extend the end of the westbound cycle lane to Bellfield Close
- Renew the existing green carriageway surfacing within the cycle lanes and provide new cycle logos to highlight the presence of cyclists to motorists and encourage them to leave space
- Continue the cycle lanes through zig-zag markings by providing green surfacing
- Improve the existing cycle route signage and realign existing carriageway markings to accommodate the cycle lanes and narrow the traffic lanes to encourage lower vehicle speeds
- Relocate 3 sets of existing parking bays partially onto the northern footway between Wyndcliff Road and Bramhope Lane (please note that these proposals will not affect or change the existing parking controls along this section of Charlton Road and the adjacent side roads)
- Remove the northern kerb build-out at the pedestrian crossing west of Wyndcliff Road to accommodate a full width 1.5 metre cycle lane
- Set back give-way markings on Bellfield Close and extend the cycle lane across the junction, connecting to the existing shared use footway

How can you find out more?

To find out more about the proposals please call Mark Reynolds on **020 8921 5455** or send an email to mark.reynolds@royalgreenwich.gov.uk

Your views are important to us so take a look at the enclosed plans and read the consultation document to see how you may be affected by the proposals.

Please respond to the enclosed questionnaire.

The closing date for this consultation is 9th December 2013. Returns received after this date will not be accepted.

How to respond to this consultation?

On-line

You can complete the questionnaire online by visiting www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/haveyoursay

Please note that you will need the unique ID Ref printed on the front of the enclosed questionnaire to respond online.

By Post

Complete the enclosed questionnaire and return it in the **FREEPOST** envelope enclosed, or post it to:

Royal Borough of Greenwich
Strategic Transportation
Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise and Skills
Woolwich Centre
35 Wellington Street
London, SE18 6HO.

If you reply to the consultation by post only the enclosed questionnaire should be used as no other material or photocopies will be accepted.

Your response is protected by the Data Protection Act and will only be used for the specific purposes for which it was collected and will not be disclosed to any other party. Please note that we cannot respond individually to responses to this consultation.

This consultation can be viewed online at http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/haveyoursay

Who is being consulted?

We are consulting all residents directly affected by the proposal, Ward Councillor's, local residents groups, the emergency services and other statutory groups.

What happens next?

We will consider all comments received carefully and depending on the comments received may carry out amendments to the proposed scheme; any major changes will be subject to additional consultation.

Once the consultation period has finished a decision will be made as to whether to proceed with the scheme.