

The Council has developed a transport and highways response to the Covid 19 crisis which is summarised in a recent [press release](#) and seeks to:

1. support the **social and economic recovery** from the Covid 19 crisis through:
 - a. Provision of safer transport routes (supporting people to avoid public transport);
 - b. Supporting local businesses by enabling safe social distancing for residents visiting them and providing enough space for trade and seating;
 - c. Supporting a safe return to school and other educational settings; and
2. To ensure that the recovery builds in **environmental sustainability** and enables us to make long term progress to our goals of reducing CO2 emissions, improving air quality and public health.

To that end we are in the process of developing additional pavement widening, new plans for temporary cycle routes, and the creation of low traffic neighbourhoods, which are part of the Council's funding bids to Transport for London (TfL) to aid social distancing.

The Council has been working on widening 'pavement pinch-points' and initially rolled out widening in the locations below in early May in response to the growing need for adequate social distancing in the borough's busier hotspots, including in town centres. The first two phases included widening in the following locations:

- *17-19 Grand Parade - Green Lanes N4, Iceland*
- *34-35 Green Lanes N4, Savers and Post Office*
- *337 West Green Road, N15 outside Sainsbury's*
- *308 West Green Road, N15 outside Tesco Express*
- *315 West Green Road, N15 outside Food Centre*
- *27-29 West Green Road, N15 outside West Green Halal Market*
- *3-7 West Green Road, N15 outside Sainsbury's*
- *39-41 High Road N22, outside Savers*
- *46-50 High Street (Hornsey) N8, outside Tesco Express*
- *24 High Street (Hornsey - Post Office) N8*
- *12 – 28 Highgate High Street – N8 outside Tesco's*
- *13-126 Muswell Hill Broadway – N10 outside M&S*
- *14-390 Muswell Hill Road – N10 outside Waitrose*
- *15-71 Crouch End Hill, N10 outside M&S*
- *17-39 The Broadway N8 outside Waitrose*
- *93-105 Turnpike Lane – post office*
- *646 Lordship N22 outside Tesco*

- *22 Endymion Road N4 outside Finsbury Park*
- *18-28 Topsfield Parade N8 – outside post office*

The council is now bidding for funding to support similar permanent and non-permanent measures and is also keen to support local businesses to re-open by enabling safe social distancing for residents visiting them and providing space for them to effectively trade and operate. We are submitting a bid to TfL to provide additional footways widening in a further 11 locations, including Crouch End.

The council also recognises the need for emergency cycle infrastructure and is fast tracking plans for cycle infrastructure from our emerging walking and cycling action plan. These improvements are planned to include emergency interventions funding for cycle route improvements from a bid to the Department of Transport DfT, and more strategic improvements, to be funded from bids to TfL. The strategic improvements include:

1. Extension and making improvements to the existing Cycle Superhighway 1 (CS1) which in Haringey goes from Stamford Hill to Seven Sisters, Bruce Castle and north Tottenham, this will be extended into the London Borough of Enfield.
2. New strategic cycle routes are planned which links Crouch End with Wood Green to the Borough boundary with Islington
3. Quietway 10 from Bowes Park to Farringdon.
4. New cycle route which links Wood Green with Manor House and Finsbury Park which runs parallel to the Piccadilly line to potentially reduce the number of residents using the Piccadilly line and interchanging at Finsbury Park.
5. Cycle future route 2 'CRF2' which will provide a strategic link between Waltham forest (Ferry Lane/ Tottenham Hale) to Finsbury Park.

We also considered that there may be potential for further (temporary) cycle routes subject to funding for:

- **East-west** routes to link Tottenham, Wood Green, Crouch End and Turnpike Lane
- **North-south** routes to link Bounds Green and Wood Green to Islington and Hackney
- **Improve existing routes** with (temporary) light or enhanced segregation e.g. cones, wand orcas, barriers.

We are also seeking funding from TfL for new 'low traffic neighbourhoods' in Tottenham and the Green Lanes / St Ann's area, to reduce 'rat-running' – using measures such as planters, bollards, barriers and signs to discourage car use and encourage walking and cycling. The council is also bidding for speed management measures and looking at reductions of speed limits to 20mph in existing 30mph roads to reduce speeds and improve the environment for walking trips if successful, the council will implement these measures as quickly as possible over the summer. The council has launched [Commonplace Map \(external link\)](#) – an interactive map that will allow residents and business owners to identify cycle routes and low traffic neighbourhoods to assist social distancing in the borough. Residents can also email suggestions to: smarter.travel@haringey.gov.uk

Supporting active travel is a long term ambition of the council, as laid out in its [Borough Plan](#) and [Transport Strategy](#). This work will also support wider initiatives to improve air quality and support the health of residents as per the council's [Climate Change Action Plan](#).