

Public Consultation – Please Read



APPENDIX C

Spencer Road / High Street Walking Scheme



We need your views

Introduction

We are seeking your views on the council's proposals to improve road safety and improve walking conditions on Spencer Road at its junction with High Street.

Improving and encouraging walking is a key element of the Mayor for London's Transport Strategy. Its aim is to make London one of the most walking friendly cities by 2015.

The aims of walking schemes are to encourage more people to walk and to increase the numbers of walking trips undertaken but they are also aimed at improving the level of service for those who regularly walk. Walking schemes offer a range of benefits that include:

- Reducing CO₂ output and traffic congestion
- Improving public health through exercise
- Better perceptions of personal safety
- Greater accessibility to public transport

Funding

Funding for a walking scheme has been secured from Transport for London (TfL), which we hope to build in the summer.

Proposed measures

We are proposing a raised entry treatment on Spencer Road at its junction with the High Street. The proposal also includes features to enhance the Wealdstone War Memorial, which is situated at this location.

As part of the proposals, we are proposing a raised flowerbed to replace the existing grassed area and to replace the existing illuminated keep left bollards with more traditional bollards.

A plan of the proposal is attached for your information



Typical raised entry treatment

Benefits

- Provides a level surface on which pedestrians can cross the road
- More acceptable to emergency services and bus operators than standard humps, especially if the height does not exceed 75mm and the gradients of the on and off ramps are shallow
- Vehicles are slowed on approaching the junction from all arms.
- Entry treatments can be used in isolation - they do not have to form part of a series of road humps.

Disbenefits

- Potential discomfort to occupants in travelling vehicles.
- Impact on emergency vehicles response times.
- May cause some minor vibration or noise.

What about the emergency services – police, fire, ambulance etc?

The emergency services along with other interested parties are consulted individually for their opinion and views on the proposals.

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Please return your comments on these proposals by 30 May 2008 by using the self addressed envelope. Post is pre-paid. Alternatively, you can submit your questionnaire on-line by visiting www.harrow.gov.uk/consultations and clicking on 'Consultation - service delivery' and follow the links to Spencer Road / High Street Walking Scheme.

What happens next?

We will consider all the comments returned to us, and if appropriate, modifications may be made to the scheme proposals.

Further information

If you require further clarification or would like to discuss any issues related to the scheme, please contact Johann Alles, at the address below:

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Unfortunately it will not be possible to reply in writing to individual responses, but if you wish to know the outcome of the consultation in due course, please contact Johann Alles.

Thank you for replying to this consultation

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QUESTIONNAIRE

Please read the enclosed leaflet and plans before completing this form. Please complete the questionnaire and return it in the pre-paid envelope provided (no stamp is required) to **reach us by 30 May 2008**. Alternatively, you can submit your questionnaire on-line by visiting www.harrow.gov.uk/consultations and clicking on 'Consultation - service delivery' and follow the links to Spencer Road / High Street Walking Scheme. If you require additional copies of the questionnaire, please call 0208 736 6816.

Name (company name if appropriate):

Address:

Postcode:

Please include your address so that we can relate the answers to your part of the road. Replies will be used for the analysis of the consultation and for no other purpose.

Please tick the appropriate box.

Q1 Are you in favour of the proposed scheme?

Yes

No

Don't know/No opinion

Thank you for taking time to complete this questionnaire. If you do not want your response to be available for public inspection, please tick here