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Have your say on proposals to turn Hornsey Rise Gardens into a School Street Scheme.



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Islington Council is planning to introduce a School Street Scheme to improve air quality around Ashmount Primary School and create a safer, more pleasant environment for everyone. The Council would like to hear your thoughts on the proposal.

Air quality

Air quality refers to the air around us, how clean it is and how many pollutants (harmful chemicals or substances) it contains. The more pollutants the air contains the more air pollution there is and the worse the air quality is. Children are one of the groups particularly vulnerable to the impacts of air pollution. Air pollution:

- increases the risk of many respiratory and cardiovascular diseases
- reduces the lung development of children
- is also increasingly being linked to a range of other conditions like bladder cancer, diabetes, dementia and birth defects.

The Council is working on a number of projects to improve air quality in Islington. One of these is to implement School Street Schemes across the borough.

What is a School Street Scheme?

A School Street Scheme is where a road with a school temporarily closes to become a pedestrian and cycle zone during the school's opening and closing times. By temporarily closing roads outside schools this will help to reduce congestion and pollution at the school gates as well as make it easier and safer for children to get to and from school.

What is proposed for Hornsey Rise Gardens?

The proposal is to trial a temporary road closure on Hornsey Rise Gardens between 8.30am - 9.15am and 3.15pm - 4pm during school term time.

Vehicles will not be able to enter the street between these times unless they have been given an exemption. Residents and businesses who live and work on a school street will be able to register for an exemption as well as Blue Badge holders. The scheme will not operate in the school holidays or at weekends.

Signs will inform drivers of the restrictions before the entrance to the closed street. Non-registered vehicles entering the street during the times of operation may be identified by camera and issued a penalty charge notice.

Why are these changes being proposed?

The Council is working with businesses, the construction industry, schools and the wider community on a number of projects to improve air quality across Islington.

Many of Islington's schools are located in or near areas of high pollution and children are particularly vulnerable to the effects of air pollution. The School Street Scheme aims to reduce through traffic which will make a safer and more pleasant environment for everyone.

Ashmount Primary School is one of the first schools to be looked at as part of the wider School Street Scheme across the borough. An 18 month trial is proposed. The Council will be working with the school and local community to develop the scheme.





How will a School Street Scheme be enforced?

Signs at the entrances to the streets will inform drivers of the restrictions. Non-registered vehicles entering the street during the times of operation may be identified by camera and issued a penalty charge notice.

I am a resident or business in the zone, how do I apply for an exemption?

If this scheme is approved residents and businesses on Romilly Road who will be affected will be notified and given a suitable amount of time to apply, free of charge, for an exemption.

I am a Blue Badge holder, can I apply for an exemption?

Blue badge holders looking to gain access and park in the zone are exempt from the scheme but you must still apply for an exemption. You are not exempt from using the street as a through route during the hours of restrictions.

I am a cyclist, will I still be able to access Hornsey Rise Gardens?

Yes, the road will be open to pedestrians and cyclists.

I am a taxi driver, can I apply for an exemption?

No, taxi drivers will not be able to access Hornsey Rise Gardens during the restricted times.

Can I park in the parking bays on Hornsey Rise Gardens during the hours of restriction?

If you are already in a paid parking bay prior to the start of the street closure restrictions and parked within the limited parking time stated on the sign then you will be allowed to stay in the parking bay. You will not be allowed to enter the street and access the paid parking bays during the restrictions. Residents parking bays can be accessed by properties who have applied for and received an exemption.

Have your say

Your feedback on the proposal is important and will help us make a decision about the scheme. Please fill in the enclosed questionnaire and return it in the enclosed freepost envelope by Sunday 4 November 2018.

What happens next?

Should we agree to proceed with these proposals, residents will receive a letter to inform them about the start date for the scheme with details of how to register a vehicle or vehicles for exemption. Public notices advising of the changes will be displayed in the street.

More information

For more information visit www.islington.gov.uk/consultations or phone Project Centre, who are managing the consultation on behalf of the Council, on 020 3092 0401.

If you would like this document in large print or braille, audiotape or in another language, please contact 020 3092 0401.

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