

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

1. Why does walking and cycling need to be improved in Haringey?
 - a. Haringey Council is delighted to launch the public consultation for the draft Walking and Cycling Action Plan (WCAP). The consultation sets out how the Council will deliver the aspirations of the 2018 Mayor of London's Transport strategy and the 2018 Haringey Transport Strategy, which include cycling and walking plans for a healthier, safer and cleaner borough.
 - b. We want to reduce the number of motor vehicle use for short trips and encourage more active travel in the local area. The draft WCAP provides long-term benefits for the community and the environment in line with regional, national and international environmental plans and target of net-zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050 and the council's public health duties for enabling more daily active travel.
2. What are the benefits of the draft Walking and Cycling Action Plan?
 - a. These plans will deliver a safer, healthier and cleaner borough. It will help improve connectivity and accessibility for our communities and the plans will significantly reduce road traffic, congestion, pollution and delays to your day-to-day journeys.
3. Why is this important to Haringey?
 - a. We want to improve our local walking and cycling routes and local infrastructure to enable more active travel in Haringey, and to reduce the number of motor vehicles on our streets. We want a reputation for being the best walking and cycling borough in London, and nationally.
4. How will this impact local communities?
 - a. These plans will make your everyday travels easier, quicker and cleaner by connecting you directly within the borough and by reducing road traffic. An improved walking and cycling route brings friends, relatives and communities closer together.
5. How will this impact local businesses?
 - a. We believe local businesses will thrive by increased footfall, the proposed plans will help to create local business and retail opportunities. By linking local companies with local people and skills, the proposals will help support and attract local investment. Research carried out by TfL on the economic benefits of walking and cycling can be found here:
<https://tfl.gov.uk/corporate/publications-and-reports/economic-benefits-of-walking-and-cycling>. In June 2016, Arup published a report titled 'Cities Alive: Towards a walking world'. Their report found that walkable environments are not just healthier but also wealthier. The report can be found here:
<https://www.arup.com/perspectives/publications/research/section/cities-alive-towards-a-walking-world>
6. There was a consultation for Low Traffic Neighbourhoods (LTN), isn't this the same?
 - a. The LTN proposals were publicly consulted on during the Summer/Autumn 2021. The outcome of the consultations will be reported to Cabinet in December 2021. LTNs are a fundamental component of the WCAP and its vision. To find out more about the recent consultation, please visit <https://www.haringey.gov.uk/parking-roads-and-travel/travel/transport-strategy/low-traffic-neighbourhoods-haringey>. More information on LTNs and

the WCAP can be found in Chapter 9 of the draft plan.

7. Has Covid-19 impacted the development of these plans?
 - a. We have witnessed a shift in the way in which we all live, work and operate. Covid-19 and the subsequent lockdowns have accelerated our vision and plans, mainly by the need to increase active travel in Haringey and improving the local walking and cycling network. Covid-19 has accelerated the Council's active travel plans and commentary on this can be found in Appendix B of the draft WCAP.
8. We were not aware of the draft WCAP consultation and proposals, how do we get involved?
 - a. The consultation is running from Monday 8 November 2021 to Monday 10 January 2022 and there will be many opportunities for you to respond to the consultation. This be online, via the project website (<https://haringeywalkingcycling.commonplace.is/>) or you could come and drop into one of our four pop-up sessions we are running across the Borough. The schedule can be found below:
 - i. Saturday 20th November 10am – 2pm Marcus Garvey Library, 1 Philip Lane, London, N15 4JA
 - ii. Saturday 27th November 10am – 2pm Alexandra Park Library, Alexandra Park Road, London, N22 7UJ
 - iii. Saturday 4th December 10am – 2pm Stroud Green and Harringay Library, Quernmore Road, London, N4 4QR
 - iv. Saturday 11th December 10am – 2pm St Ann's Library, Cissbury Road, London, N15 5PU
 - b. We know that local communities and the public are keen to be part of the process, and we welcome your input to help shape the proposals for the draft Walking and Cycling Action Plan.
 - c. The Council will also be holding online public meetings for the community to attend and find out more. These will be announced on the consultation website in due course.
9. How are you making this accessible to me?
 - a. We are committed to an inclusive and fair consultation process. An Equality Impact Assessment has been carried for this project.
 - b. You will be able to find a number of documents on our website, some of which are in word format. Should you need further information or explanation our dedicated project team will be available at the above times and dates at the pop-up sessions.
10. What are the next steps?
 - a. Following the public consultation, we will review the responses and amend the draft WCAP accordingly. The draft WCAP will be reported back to Cabinet in Spring/Summer 2022 for adoption.
11. Who can I contact if I have a question?
 - a. You can visit the dedicated webpage (<https://haringeywalkingcycling.commonplace.is/>) and you can visit the Council website here: <https://www.haringey.gov.uk/parking-roads-and-travel/travel/haringeys-transport-strategy/draftwcp>