Feedback on Lambeth Local Plan Review Issues Consultation 2017

Transport



Transport has an impact on many aspects of our lives from where we choose to live, work and study to our health and the air we breathe. Population growth in Lambeth will put pressure on the transport network and our current policies need to change to respond to this. While we do not control public transport services in the borough we need to be clear about what improvements are needed and ensure these are delivered. We do have control over most of the roads in Lambeth and our policies will have a direct impact on how we manage these.

We are reviewing policies affecting both new development and wider policies affecting the whole borough and bringing these together in a new Transport Strategy. Lambeth Local Plan transport policies need to support implementation of the new Transport Strategy.



What you told us

- We should encourage people to walk, cycle and use public transport rather than travel by car.
- Improvements required include, increasing step-free access to public transport and adding electric vehicle charging points and bus lanes.
- Local streets should be protected from 'rat running' traffic.
- Public transport is not always reliant or efficient, is often overcrowded and parts of the borough are not adequately served.
- Greater priority should be given to buses.
- If existing rules were enforced and traffic calming measures were implemented, road danger would be reduced, for example in relation to speeding and running red lights.
- Parking controls should be used to manage the demand for parking and alternative uses of the kerbside should be considered, including cycle routes and wider pavements for pedestrians.
- New development should be car free except for disabled parking, with there being recognition that the used of private vehicles is sometimes necessary for those who are disabled, elderly or ill.

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What our evidence tells us

- The vast majority of current trips are made using non-car modes of transport.
- Access to public transport is generally good in the borough and reliance on cars is generally low, though a lack of step free access at railway and underground stations acts as a barrier for those with disabilities and access needs.
- The capacity, frequency, accessibility and reliability of public transport services is variable and should be improved across Lambeth, particularly where growth is expected.
- Population growth in the north of the borough will result in increased traffic levels, despite low levels of car ownership, unless further action is taken.
- The most effective ways to accommodate growing demand on the Lambeth's road network are prioritising space-efficient modes of transport (walking, cycling and buses) and encouraging efficient movement of goods.
- The new London Plan and Mayor's Transport Strategy want most new development to be car-free and encourage sustainable transport modes.

What we are proposing to do

- Apply new London Plan policies on walking, cycling and public transport.
- Adjust Local Plan policies to promote sustainable means of transport and discourage trips made by private vehicles.
- Supplement new London Plan policies with locally specific policies for car parking and cycle parking.
- Ensure new development contributes in some parts of the borough to the delivery of our Healthy Routes Network.
- Identify the transport infrastructure necessary to support Lambeth's growing population.
- Integrate the appropriate planning policies with the Lambeth Transport Strategy 2019 so that our strategic vision for transport in the borough can be achieved.
- Ensure that adequate disabled parking is provided and support the provision of step free access at railway and underground stations.





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Comments should be made between 22 October and 17 December 2018.