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Public Consultation

Tottenham Lane/Ferme Park Road Roundabout – Road Safety Improvement Proposals

Dear Resident or Business,

You may be aware of several accidents resulting from buses U-turning at the Tottenham Lane/Ferme Park Road roundabout, which includes buses striking 145 Tottenham Lane. In 2001 a bus crashed into 145 Tottenham Lane, which resulted in the building having to be demolished and rebuilt. More recently, in September 2021, a 91 bus hit the Chimes Terrace Building. These incidents are very stressful for local residents and businesses, especially those whose properties have been damaged.

In a consultation carried out in 2022, residents and businesses were asked how safe they thought the junction / roundabout was for road users and 80% - including cyclists and pedestrians - considered it dangerous or very dangerous. 90% considered that this junction was a traffic problem.

The ideal solution at this junction would be to replace the roundabout with traffic lights. However, this can only be done if an alternative turn-round point can be found for the 91 buses. At the time of the original consultation in 2022; this could not be implemented because of funding constraints within Transport for London (TfL).

Funding has now been identified as part of the Heartlands development to extend the 91 bus route, which would mean that the 91 bus would no longer need to use the roundabout to turn around. However, this would be subject to TfL undertaking a consultation, which is currently planned to take place this autumn with the commencement of the extended route planned for late 2024.

All traffic signals in Haringey are managed and maintained by TfL. However, the council provides details and instructions to TfL regarding the placement and maintenance of traffic signals. When we receive confirmation that the rerouting of the 91 buses will take place, the required modelling for the proposed signalisation of the junction will be carried out and will be subject to TfL approval.

It is likely to take approximately 36 months to introduce the signals, from the start of the modelling exercise. Due to the lengthy timescales, we propose to put in place the following interim safety measures, which are also illustrated on the plan overleaf.

1. Realignment of the western island on Tottenham Lane but retaining the northern (buildout) kerb-line and narrow entry width of 3.1m to avoid pinch point with cyclists. This measure is designed to reduce the risk to pedestrians from the overhang of buses and HGVs turning left from Ferme Park Road into Tottenham Lane and to improve the turning circles for buses and HGV's turning right into Ferme Park Road from Tottenham Lane.
2. Introduction of a zebra crossing on Ferme Park Road by Tottenham Lane. Following feedback from the local community and residents who attended the initial stakeholder meeting, it was identified that pedestrians including school children attending Hornsey School for girls and Rokesly Junior School find it very difficult to cross the Ferme Park Road/Tottenham Lane arm of the junction and the zebra crossing is proposed to improve pedestrian accessibility and road safety at this location.
3. Removal of 5 metres of parking to accommodate the proposed zebra crossing.

This letter marks the start of a public consultation, during which we welcome your views on the proposed measures. Please provide these using the enclosed Freepost feedback card or email your views to us at frontline.consultation@haringey.gov.uk

If you have objections; please also give reasons for these so that we can fully understand any issues and concerns.

Please ensure that your response including any objections reaches us as soon as possible and no later than **30 June 2023**.

Thank you for your interest and we look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully,

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