

Safer, active, greener streets for Sutton



London Borough of Sutton
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Dear Resident,

North Cheam Low Traffic Area

The London Borough of Sutton wants to make your streets safer, more active and greener! Changes are being made to improve the quality of life in Esher Avenue, Wrayfield Road and the surrounding roads. These changes will help:

- Improve safety in Esher Avenue, Wrayfield Road and in the surrounding roads by reducing traffic levels and speeds.
- Cut air pollution outside Cheam Park Farm Primary Academy - Kingston Avenue site, (and in the local neighbourhood)
- Reduce air pollution due to lower traffic numbers
- Make the area more pleasant and quieter to walk and cycle around, and for children to play outside
- Reduce the number of non-resident vehicles cutting through the area

In order to achieve this we are trialling the following changes:

- Trial road closure of Esher Avenue at its junction with Wrayfield Road opposite the access to Fairlands Park. Pedestrians and cyclists will still be able to enter.
- Double yellow line waiting restrictions either side of the closure point.
- A School Street scheme to restrict traffic outside Cheam Park Farm Primary school at drop off and pick up times, Monday to Friday during school term times. Residents living in the school street area will be able to enter and leave at any time.

Why are we making changes?

These proposals are based on concerns from residents about the increasing traffic volume and speed in local roads. Many local people have really enjoyed the lower levels of traffic and improved air quality during the recent lockdown. They have contrasted them with the previous levels of congestion and pollution and asked the council to help. There is evidence from across London that making the kinds of changes that are proposed will encourage people to continue to walk and cycle when they make local journeys. These proposals will also discourage others from using your street as a shortcut.

This is in response to concerns raised by residents regarding the speed of traffic and higher levels of traffic as the roads were used as a cut through.

This is an experiment and we want to hear your views.

Across London Councils are looking to make improvements to local neighbourhoods by improving road safety and air quality. Currently, there are 800 similar schemes being trialled.

When will this come into effect?

These proposals will be introduced on an experimental basis from on the 7 September 2020 with the School Street starting on the 21 September 2020.

Where can I find out more?

For more information about this and other improvements, we are implementing to make our borough's streets safer, more active and greener go to www.sutton.gov.uk/saferstreets.

Tell us your views!

All of these changes will be for a six-month trial period and we appreciate not everyone will like the changes. During this time, we will welcome all feedback from residents about how the scheme is working and how it can be improved. We know change can take some getting used to and ask that you allow some time for the scheme to bed in as it can take a while for everyone to adapt to the changes. If a scheme does not prove beneficial to the area, it can be modified or removed before the end of the six-month trial.

To have your say go to sutton.gov.uk/saferstreets

Or you can write to us at:

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Yours Faithfully



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