

We recently consulted residents and businesses in Hatch End about proposed highway changes on Uxbridge Road. We are now writing to everyone who sent us their views during that consultation to update you on the outcome of the scheme and what will happen next.

We received a number of responses to the consultation from the local community, which expressed a variety of opinions. Officers compiled all submissions and reviewed your comments and requests. Officers then prepared a comprehensive briefing note for Cllr O'Dell, the Portfolio Holder for Community and Environment, the senior councillor with responsibility for highways. This briefing note explained the history of the scheme, discussed the comments of local people, and recommended what the council should do next. Cllr O'Dell has considered the briefing note and agreed in principle to its recommendations. Officers will now progress the scheme on that basis and take the necessary steps to implement the revised proposals recommended.

We have listened to your views and the scheme will be implemented with several changes from the original proposals as a result of what local people have told us. The significant differences are listed below.

- The existing Pelican crossing on Uxbridge Road near Grimsdyke Road will be kept
- The amount of 'green time' for traffic at the Pelican crossing will increase from 20 seconds minimum to 30 seconds minimum: this will mean the crossing will not change to red for traffic as quickly as at present. Pedestrians will still have the same amount of time to cross the road when given a green man signal;
- The access arrangements for the Telephone Exchange car park will remain as at present. A small length of yellow line originally proposed on Leeway Close will therefore not be required;
- The proposed Zebra crossing on Uxbridge Road near Anselm Road will not go ahead, but the proposed pedestrian island at this location will still be installed;
- The times of operation of the existing and proposed disabled bays outside the shops will be standardised to 7am-7pm every day, with no maximum stay period;
- Electronic speed warning signs will be installed on the approach to the shopping area on Uxbridge Road in both directions;

Works will start on-site before the end of the month, and at around the same time draft Traffic Order notices will be published. These itemise the proposed changes to enforceable traffic restrictions, e.g. the proposed bus lanes, disabled bays, yellow lines and the one-ways in the service roads.

A set of revised plans will be displayed at Harrow Arts Centre from today and will also be supplied to ward councillors, the library, the two nearby schools and other local organisations.

Plans are also available at www.harrow.gov.uk/transportstreets where any updates or additional information will be posted when available.

If you have any comments or concerns about the progress of the works on site please contact our partner **EnterpriseMouchel** who are co-ordinating and overseeing the implementation on site. Their telephone number is **020 8424 1483** (at Harrow Central Depot, Wealdstone).

If you would like any further information, please contact **Andrew Saffrey** via the details

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Kind regards,
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