

GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

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(By email)

Our Ref: MGLA201020-7803

27 October 2020

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for writing to the Mayor about Enfield Council's low-traffic neighbourhood projects (LTNs).

Enfield's trial schemes are part of the London Streetspace Programme, funded by Government as an emergency response to the coronavirus pandemic. In the emergency funding settlement that Transport for London (TfL) received from Government in May, the only money made available to TfL to share with London local authorities was for the express purpose of supporting measures to enable more walking and cycling, including low traffic neighbourhoods (LTNs).

LTNs are a long-standing transport planning tool used to reduce through-traffic in neighbourhoods and provide a better environment for short walking and cycling trips to local high streets and town centres.

As with all road changes, LTNs can lead to disruptions on surrounding streets while drivers get used to the changes and navigation apps re-route. However, evidence shows that over time people do adjust – their routes, their mode of travel and the times they choose to travel – and therefore significant traffic increases in the area are often not permanent.

Enfield's LTNs are being implemented as trials, to help determine a future decision on whether any amendments are required, whether the trials should be removed or whether the schemes should be made permanent.

Consultation are being run alongside the trials via the Council's website:
<https://letstalk.enfield.gov.uk/neighbourhoods>

Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

You asked for:

- *the minutes of the meetings*
- *when the decisions affecting the roads were made*
- *provide the lawful basis upon which the decision was made.*
- *confirm whether you consulted any of the residents of these roads and if so what percentage responded*

Our response to your request is as follows:

The Greater London Authority does not hold the information within scope of your request. As these are Enfield's schemes, it will be for the Council to answer your detailed questions about minutes, decisions, legal mechanism and consultation data:

<https://new.enfield.gov.uk/contact-us/ask-for-council-information/>

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, quoting the reference at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely


Information Governance Officer

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