GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

(By email)

Our Ref: MGLA041121-7110

30 November 2021

Dear

Thank you for your request for information which the Greater London Authority (GLA) received on 4 November 2021. Your request has been dealt with under the Environmental Information Regulations (EIR) 2004.

With reference to your request for information to Islington Council, you asked whether the GLA could answer the same request:

Consultations on low traffic neighbourhoods, such as those in Islington, are led by the relevant borough, not by the Mayor or TfL. We do not hold any information about specific consultation results.

More broadly, the Mayor and TfL support boroughs in the creation of LTNs as they are a long-standing transport planning tool used to reduce traffic 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.

We recognise that every scheme will be different, and the Mayor has always been clear that local authorities should listen carefully to the feedback from the local community.

Most particulate matter emissions in London are caused by road traffic, with exhaust emissions and tyre and brake wear being the main sources. Around half of nitrogen oxides (NOx) emissions come from road transport. The Mayor's Environment Strategy sets out how we will also tackle emissions from other non-road transport sources: https://www.london.gov.uk/sites/default/files/london_environment_strategy_0.pdf

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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