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Hawke Park Rd Entrance to Belmont Rec Ground New Entrance Design; What do you think?



**Your Views needed
see inside!**

Thank you for reading this. Please take a few minutes to complete the short survey inside & return it in the pre-paid envelope (no stamp required) by **Tuesday 10th July**.

In January, 500 survey's were delivered to residents living near to Belmont Rec to find out their views on a plan to close the southern end of Hawke Park Road, between Boundary Road and the entrance to Belmont Recreation Ground. 110 people responded to the survey, giving a response rate of 22%, which is a good for a survey of this kind. Thank you to those people that returned the survey.

94.5% respondents said that they would have no objection to the entrance being moved. Many expressed that their only reservation was that the only free parking spaces in the vicinity would be lost if no alternative spaces were found. There was also a strong emphasis on improving the appearance of the entrance, especially with trees and shrubs. Many people reported incidences of anti-social behaviour at this location and wanted the design to include security measures, such as CCTV

5.5% respondents objected to any change. 4 of the objections focused their reasons on the loss of parking.

From this response Haringey Council has decided to move forwards with plans and have asked Groundwork to produce two designs for how the new entrance could look based on residents comments and the budget that might be available. We are now asking local residents to give us their comments on the designs in this newsletter.

What will happen next?

We will consider the views of all residents, select a design and make any changes to this and discuss these with the Friends of Belmont Rec. We will then put the agreed plans forwards for planning permission, which would also include an application to close the road. If successful, planning permissions would be granted in the autumn and we could then start to make arrangements to carry out the works.

The Entrance Designs

Entrance Option 1: New Gates



Entrance Option 2: Recycle Existing Gates



The entrance will be moved to the locations shown and the old gates will be removed. Bollards will be installed behind new gates. There will be one pedestrian entrance (on the left). Works will be required to adjacent property walls to make these secure. There will be no new seating in this area.

Both designs have taken into account residents views and opinions from the January Survey and have been drawn up in discussion with the Friends Group.

Your Views On Design Ideas

Which design option do you prefer ? Option 1 Option 2

Please say why?

Are there any features on your preferred option that you would like to see changed?

Would you object to any of the design options? If so please say why?

From the January Survey



CCTV

Many residents asked if CCTV could be installed as part of (or instead of) the improvements to stop problems such as rubbish dumping and drug dealing. We have spoken to the police about this possibility and they have advised that the costs of monitoring the CCTV in the long-term would be much more expensive than closing the road and moving the gates. They also advised that CCTV on its own is not effective against certain crimes such as drug dealing as it is impossible to prove that drugs are being exchanged - and that closing the road would be much more effective in this location. They did suggest that a mobile CCTV van could be deployed to help catch and deter fly-tippers if this was still a problem after the improvements.



Parking

Many residents were concerned to lose the free car parking spaces on this bit of road. However the Council are reviewing free bays in Controlled Parking Zones, due to enforcement implications and will be considering modifying them to residents or pay and display bays. As a result this project will make no difference to the loss of free parking.

Monitoring Form (Optional)

PLEASE BE ASSURED THAT NO INFORMATION WHICH COULD IDENTIFY YOU WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO ANYONE. THE INFORMATION YOU HAVE SUPPLIED WILL NOT BE USED FOR ANY PURPOSE OTHER THAN RESEARCH.

Please tick answer:

Age: 0-10 11-20 21-30 31-40 41-50 51-60 60 +

Gender Male Female

What is your ethnic group?

Please choose from one from below:

White <input type="checkbox"/> British <input type="checkbox"/> Irish <input type="checkbox"/> Any other white background; please specify _____	Mixed <input type="checkbox"/> White and Black Caribbean <input type="checkbox"/> White and Black African <input type="checkbox"/> White and Asian <input type="checkbox"/> Any other Mixed background; please specify _____
Asian or Asian British <input type="checkbox"/> Indian <input type="checkbox"/> Pakistani <input type="checkbox"/> Bangladeshi <input type="checkbox"/> Any other Asian Background; please specify _____	Black or Black British <input type="checkbox"/> Caribbean <input type="checkbox"/> African <input type="checkbox"/> Any other Black background; please specify _____
Chinese or other ethnic group <input type="checkbox"/> Chinese <input type="checkbox"/> Any other; please specify _____	

For more information please about this project contact Jan Wilson at Haringey Council on 0208 4895717 or James Littlewood at Groundwork on 0207 2781514. This work is being carried out on behalf of Haringey Council by Groundwork in order for residents to have their say. Thank you for your views.