

Important: Consultation on street renaming

15 January 2021

Renaming of Black Boy Lane to La Rose Lane

I am writing to you in relation to the proposal to change the name of your street. Our previous consultation – which asked whether residents preferred the name ‘La Rose Lane’ or ‘Jocelyn Barrow Lane’ – showed that **residents preferred the name ‘La Rose Lane’**.

We are now moving into the next phase of the consultation on whether the street name should remain as Black Boy Lane or be changed to ‘La Rose Lane’.

The consultation is being undertaken as part of our wider Review on Monuments, Building, Place and Street Names in Haringey. This is an important piece of work through which we will be looking at a range of creative ways to celebrate the culture and diversity that we are so proud of in our borough. We know that there are a number of ideas and ways in which we can do this, and this consultation is an opportunity to hear your thoughts and feedback on the specific proposal on whether Black Boy Lane should be renamed as ‘La Rose Lane’ in celebration of John La Rose, a former Haringey resident, publisher, essayist and poet.

The consultation is open from **15th January 2021 to 19th February 2021**. During this period, you can complete the online survey at www.haringey.gov.uk/renaming-black-boy-lane, write to the Council Consultation Coordinator, The Communications Team, Haringey Council, River Park House, 225 High Road, Wood Green, London, N22 8HQ or email the Council at bblconsultation@haringey.gov.uk stating your objection or support to the proposed order.

The consideration of whether a street name should be changed is a formal process. And so this phase involves publishing the ‘notice of our intention’ to make an order to rename Black Boy Lane to La Rose Lane, and to consult you on your views on whether the renaming should go ahead or not. The results of the consultation will form part of the decision making on whether to proceed with the change or not. A copy of our notice of intention is attached with this letter. This is a statutory requirement under Part II Section 6 of the London Buildings Acts (Amendment) Act 1939.

Throughout the consultation process to date we have taken your feedback into account and note some of you may still have concerns. We remain committed to listening to the views of all of our residents on this important matter and would encourage you to respond to the consultation.

Support for you from the Council

We want to reassure you that, should the name change go ahead:

- Haringey Council will notify as many organisations as we can on your behalf
- Your postcode and house number will not change
- An official Street Naming and Numbering Order document will be provided
- The Council will provide practical help and support during the name change process
- A change in the name of the street will not affect any resident’s immigration status
- Households / organisations will be provided with a ‘voluntary payment’ for their inconvenience

We are considering offering a voluntary payment of approximately £300 per household / organisation for any inconvenience the name changing may cause. We expect that the

equivalent time and cost contribution for the vast majority, if not all, of households / organisations will be significantly less than this. If you have any views on this payment or other support needed, please include those comments in your consultation response.

Why rename Black Boy Lane?

Haringey Council believes that the names of our monuments, buildings, places and streets must reflect the values and diversity that we are so proud of in the borough. Meanings change overtime, and the term “Black Boy” is now most commonly used as a derogatory name for men of African heritage. The truth is, that if we were naming the street now, we would not be calling it “Black Boy” Lane, and irrespective of the historical reasons behind naming it more than a century ago, as a community, as a society, we have to ask whether it remains an appropriate street name now.

The Council is committed to taking action to both addressing inequality and celebrating the rich diversity of our borough. Whilst we recognise that there will be some inconvenience if the street name is changed, this must be balanced against the impact on those within our community who have called upon the Council to review the name.

While we appreciate this is a difficult time for everyone, and responding to consultations such as this may be more challenging, we believe that now, more than ever we should seek to send out a clear message in support of the diversity in our borough.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rob Krzyszowski".

Rob Krzyszowski
Interim Assistant Director, Planning, Building Standards & Sustainability

Respond to the Consultation or Contact Us

WEBSITE	www.haringey.gov.uk/renaming-black-boy-lane
EMAIL	bbiconsultation@haringey.gov.uk
TELEPHONE	0208 489 3797
POST	Consultation Coordinator, The Communications Team, Haringey Council, River Park House, 225 High Road, Wood Green, London, N22 8HQ. <i>A freepost envelope is enclosed to assist with this should you need it.</i>
VIRTUAL MEETING	Due to social distancing requirements, a 'virtual' online engagement meeting will be held at 11.30am on Saturday 23 rd January 2021 via Microsoft Teams. This will allow residents / organisations to ask Council officers any questions. Those who would like to join the meeting should email bbiconsultation@haringey.gov.uk to register to take part.

Languages

ENGLISH	This letter is asking for your views on the renaming of Black Boy Lane to La Rose Lane and the support you would need to help make the necessary changes, if the renaming is approved. If you would like to see this letter in another language please visit www.haringey.gov.uk/renaming-black-boy-lane where versions are available or contact us using the details above to request a translation.
TURKISH	Bu mektup, Black Boy Lane'in La Rose Lane olarak yeniden adlandırılması ve yeniden adlandırma onaylandığı takdirde gerekli değişiklikleri yapmanıza yardımcı olması için ihtiyaç duyacağınız destek ile ilgili görüşlerinizi sormaktadır. Eğer bu mektubu başka bir dilde görmek isterseniz, lütfen www.haringey.gov.uk/renaming-black-boy-lane internet adresini ziyaret edin ya da bir çeviri talep etmek için yukarıdaki ayrıntılar yoluyla bizimle temasa geçin.
KURDISH	ئەم نامەیه له بیرورای تو دەپرسیت بۆ گۆرینی ناوی Black Boy Lane بۆ La Rose Lane و ئەو هاریکاریه پێویستته بۆ ئەنجامدانی گۆرانکاری پێویست، ئەگەر گۆرانکاری له ناوهکه ریگهه پێدرا. ئەگەر دهنهوت ئەم نامهیه به زمانیکتر ببینیت تکایه سەردانی www.haringey.gov.uk/renaming-black-boy-lane بکه که چاپیتر بهردهسته یان پهيوهندیمان پێوهکه بهو زانیاریانهی سەر موه بۆ داواکردنی وەرگیران.

- BENGALI** ব্ল্যাক বয় লেইনের (Black Boy Lane) নাম পরিবর্তন করে লা রোজ লেইন (La Rose Lane) করার ব্যাপারে আপনার মতামত জানার জন্যে এবং পুনঃনামকরণ অনুমোদিত হলে প্রয়োজনীয় পরিবর্তন আনতে আপনার যে সমর্থন প্রয়োজন হবে সে বিষয়ে এই চিঠিটি লিখা হয়েছে। আপনি যদি এই চিঠিটি অন্য ভাষায় দেখতে চান তাহলে অনুগ্রহ করে www.haringey.gov.uk/renaming-black-boy-lane সাইটে যান যেখানে ভাষাগুলোর রয়েছে অথবা অনুবাদের অনুরোধ করার জন্য উপরের বিস্তারিত বিবরণ ব্যবহার করে আমাদের সাথে যোগাযোগ করুন
- PORTUGUESE** Esta carta pede a sua opinião sobre a mudança de nome de Black Boy Lane para La Rose Lane e o apoio de que precisa para ajudar a fazer as alterações necessárias, se a mudança de nome for aprovada. Se pretender obter esta carta noutro idioma, visite www.haringey.gov.uk/renaming-black-boy-lane onde se encontram disponíveis versões ou contacte-nos utilizando os dados acima para solicitar a tradução.
- SPANISH** En esta carta se le pide su opinión sobre el cambio de nombre de Black Boy Lane, para pasar a llamarse La Rose Lane, y sobre el apoyo que usted necesitaría recibir para realizar los cambios necesarios, en el supuesto de que se apruebe el cambio de nombre. Si desea ver esta carta en otro idioma, por favor visite www.haringey.gov.uk/renaming-black-boy-lane en dónde encontrará versiones disponibles, o póngase en contacto con nosotros utilizando los datos que figuran más arriba, para solicitar una traducción.
- FRENCH** Cette lettre vous demande votre avis sur le changement de nom de “Black Boy Lane” pour “La Rose Lane” et le soutien dont vous auriez besoin pour vous aider à effectuer les changements nécessaires, si le changement de nom est approuvé. Si vous souhaitez voir cette lettre dans une autre langue, veuillez consulter le site www.haringey.gov.uk/renaming-black-boy-lane où d’autres versions sont disponibles ou non contacter en utilisant les coordonnées ci-dessus pour demander une traduction.
- GREEK** Με αυτή την επιστολή ζητούμε τη γνώμη σας σχετικά με τη μετονομασία της οδού Black Boy Lane σε La Rose Lane και την υποστήριξη που θα χρειαστείτε για να κάνετε τις απαραίτητες αλλαγές εάν εγκριθεί η αλλαγή της ονομασίας. Εάν θέλετε να λάβετε αυτή την επιστολή σε άλλη γλώσσα, επισκεφθείτε τη διεύθυνση www.haringey.gov.uk/renaming-black-boy-lane όπου υπάρχουν διαθέσιμες εκδόσεις ή επικοινωνήστε μαζί μας χρησιμοποιώντας τα παραπάνω στοιχεία για να ζητήσετε μία μετάφραση.
- ITALIAN** La presente lettera chiede la Sua opinione in merito al modificare la denominazione di “Black Boy Lane” in “La Rose Lane” e al supporto di cui avrebbe bisogno per apportare le modifiche necessarie, qualora la ridenominazione venisse approvata. Se desidera visualizzare questa lettera in un’altra lingua, visiti il sito www.haringey.gov.uk/renaming-black-boy-lane dove sono disponibili altre versioni o ci contatti ai recapiti sopra indicati per richiedere una traduzione.

POLISH

Niniejsze pismo prosi o Państwa opinię w sprawie zmiany nazwy ulicy z „Black Boy Lane” na „La Rose Lane” oraz o określenie Państwa jakichkolwiek potrzeb z tego tytułu, (w razie dokonania zmiany). W celu przetłumaczenia listu, prosimy skorzystać ze strony internetowej urzędu www.haringey.gov.uk/renaming-black-boy-lane, gdzie dostępne są inne wersje językowe lub prosimy o kontakt z prośbą o uzyskanie tłumaczenia.

BULGARIAN

С това писмо искаме да Ви питаме за Вашите възгледи относно преименуването на „Black Boy Lane“ в „La Rose Lane“ и подкрепата, от която се нуждаете, за да направите необходимите промени, ако преименуването бъде одобрено. Ако искате да видите това писмо на друг език, моля, посетете www.haringey.gov.uk/renaming-black-boy-lane, където са налични версии, или се свържете с нас, като използвате данните по-горе, за да поискате превод.

ROMANIAN

Prezenta scrisoare vă solicită punctul de vedere cu privire la schimbarea denumirii străzii Black Boy Lane cu La Rose Lane și sprijinul de care ați avea nevoie pentru a implementa schimbările necesare, în cazul în care noua denumire este aprobată. Dacă doriți să citiți această scrisoare într-o altă limbă, vă rugăm să vizitați www.haringey.gov.uk/renaming-black-boy-lane unde există disponibile alte versiuni sau să ne contactați la detaliile de mai sus pentru a solicita o traducere.

SOMALI

Waraaqdani waxay ku weydiisaneysaa fikradahaaga ku saabsan magac-beddelka Waddada Black Boy Lane oo laga dhigo La Rose Lane iyo taageerada aad u baahan tahay si aad gacan uga geysato sameynta isbeddelada lagama maarmaanka ah, haddii magacaabista la oggolaado. Haddii aad jeclaan lahayd inaad ku aragto warqaddan oo ku qoran luqad kale fadlan booqo www.haringey.gov.uk/renaming-black-boy-lane halkaas oo noocyo kale laga heli karo ama nala soo xiriir adigoo adeegsanaya faahfaahinta kore si aad u codsato turjumaad.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Q: Who is John La Rose?

A: Black Boy Lane is proposed to be renamed 'La Rose Lane' after John La Rose.

John La Rose was a publisher, poet and essayist. He founded the Caribbean Artists' Movement and publishing company New Beacon Books which has a bookshop in Stroud Green. In 1975, he co-founded the Black Parents Movement from the core of the parents involved in the George Padmore Supplementary School incident, in which a young Black schoolboy was beaten up by the police outside his school in Haringey.

A more detailed biography is available on our webpage at www.haringey.gov.uk/renaming-black-boy-lane.

Q: What will happen next?

A: Once the consultation closes, we will carefully analyse all the responses and a report will be provided to the Council's Corporate Committee which will make a decision on whether to proceed with the change or not. Should the name change be agreed, we will notify residents and organisations and provide further information and support on the implications, in good time before the change would take effect later in 2021. The Council is committed to supporting residents and organisations through this, should the change be agreed.

Q: Will my postcode and house number change?

A: No. The Unique Street Reference Number (USRN) for the street will also remain the same, which is used by many organisations.

Will I need to inform Royal Mail of the change to the street name?

A: No. The Council will inform Royal Mail of the address change. Because your postcode won't change, a change in the road name, should not affect any letters or parcels sent via Royal Mail. Utility companies and others buy address lists from Royal Mail.

Q: What organisations will I need to inform about my change of address? How will the Council help me?

A: The Council will notify as many organisations as we can on residents' behalf and provide practical help and support, should the change be agreed, including 'pro-forma' documents to send to relevant organisations.

Residents will also have a named person that you can speak to if you are facing any difficulties or need any particular support.

Many organisations use the National Address Database and so your details would be automatically updated if they are using the latest information. All government organisations now have to use AddressBase (GeoSpatial Commission – part of the Cabinet Office) which the Council will also ensure is automatically updated.

However, you will still need to inform some organisations yourself.

We will provide copies of the official name change Order, which will be proof of the name change. We will continue to compile a detailed checklist of organisations but the key organisations to think about, including those that the Council will contact on your behalf, include:

- Addresses linked with accounts for online shopping etc

- Utility companies e.g. internet, telephone, electric, gas, water
- Council Tax
- Schools / Education
- Electoral services
- Jobs and employment / benefits
- Bank accounts
- Mortgages
- Insurance: home, contents, car, etc
- NHS / GP / hospital / pharmacy information
- Her Majesty's Land Registry (HMLR)
- Her Majesty's Revenue & Customs (HMRC)
- Driver & Vehicle Licensing Agency (DVLA)
- Tenancy agreements, deposit agreements etc
- Wills, registrars and other legal documentation
- Home Office / HM Passport Office / immigration / visa documentation
- Next of kin details
- Organisations / businesses / self-employed – Companies House, websites, stationery, business accounts, invoices, contracts

Q: Will the Council reimburse me for the cost of updating my information with organisations?

A: We are considering offering a 'voluntary payment' of approximately £300 per household / organisation for any inconvenience the name changing may cause. We expect that the equivalent time and cost contribution for the vast majority, if not all, of households/organisations will be significantly less than this.

This figure has not been finalised so if you have any views on this payment or other support needed, please include those comments in your consultation response.

Q: Will there be new street name plates?

A: Yes, the Council will provide replacement street name plates, showing the new name should the change be approved. The Council will also inform Transport for London of the change and be responsible for making sure that TfL update all their relevant information, including nearby bus stops.

Q: Will this affect my residency, immigration status or UK Visa?

A: At the point at which any change in road name takes effect, if you have previously applied or are in the process of applying for a UK visa, you may need to update your address as part of your application. Haringey Council will provide a Street Naming and Numbering Order as official proof of the change to use when updating your details, and any other practical support to do this. This can be done online and there is no cost.

Q: Why are you doing another consultation?

A: The previous consultation asked residents of Black Boy Lane to provisionally choose between two new street names – La Rose Lane & Jocelyn Barrow Lane. As residents opted for La Rose Lane, this is the name that was taken into the next phase.

This consultation is a statutory consultation required under Part II Section 6 of the London Buildings Acts (Amendment) Act 1939 and where residents can raise objection or support to the proposal to change the name of Black Boy Lane to La Rose Lane. The Council must consider those received before making a final decision whether to change the street name.

Notice of intention to make an order naming streets under the London Buildings Acts (Amendment) Act 1939 Part II Section 6

The London Borough of Haringey London Buildings Acts (Amendment) Act 1939 Part II Section 6 Naming of Streets

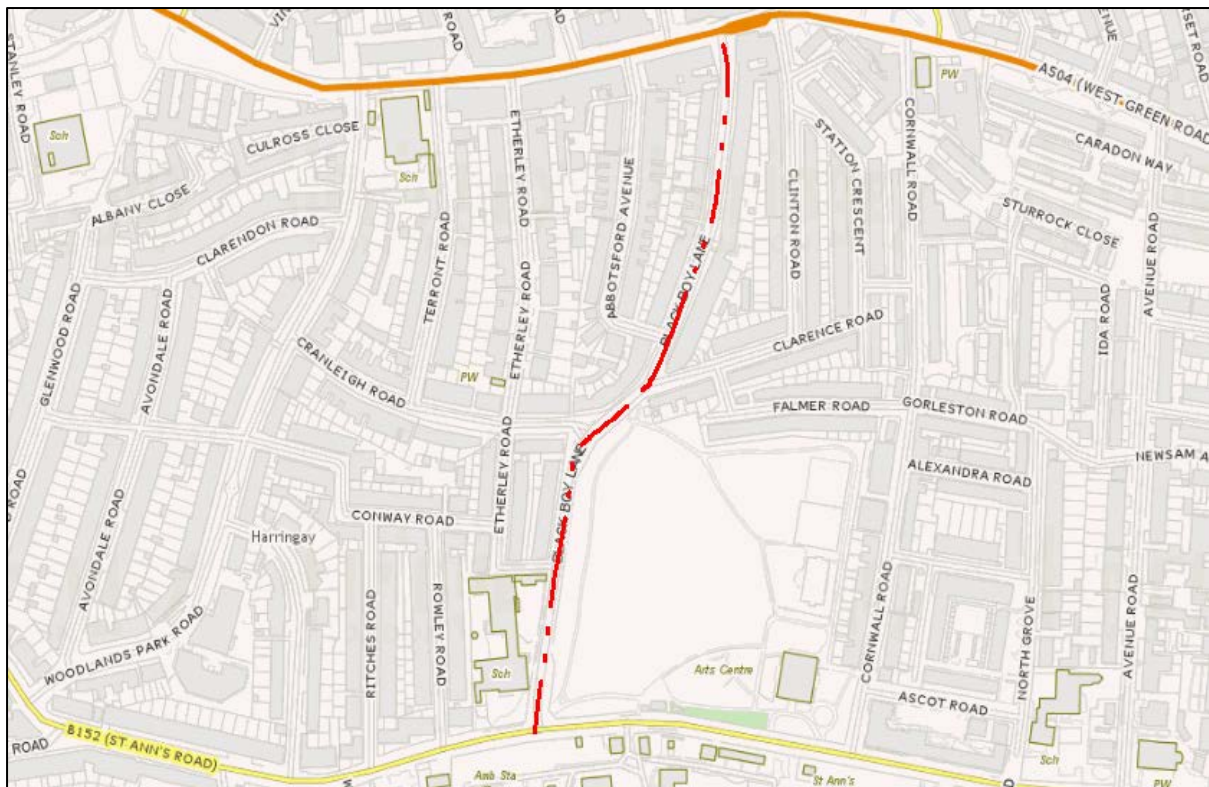
NOTICE is hereby given that LONDON BOROUGH OF HARINGEY (“the Council”), pursuant to the London Buildings Acts (Amendment) Act 1939 Part II Section 6, intends to make an order to substitute the name of the street Black Boy Lane to La Rose Lane as set out in the schedule below.

Any person who has any objection or support to the intended order may by 19 February 2021 write to the Council at Consultation Co-ordinator, The Communications Team, Haringey Council, River Park House, 225 High Road, Wood Green, London, N22 8HQ or online www.haringey.gov.uk/renaming-black-boy-lane or email the Council at bbiconsultation@haringey.gov.uk stating their objection or support to the order.

Dated: 15 January 2021

Description & situation of street: Black Boy Lane; between West Green & St Ann’s Roads
Reference and colour on map: Coloured red on map
Proposed name: La Rose Lane

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