

WESTMINSTER CITY COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF DECISION

SUBJECT: CENTRAL LONDON CYCLE GRID: CYCLE QUIETWAY BLOOMSBURY TO SOUTHBANK

Notice is hereby given that Cabinet Member for Sustainability and Parking has made the following executive decision on the above mentioned subject for the reasons set out below.

Summary of Decision

1. That the Cabinet Member reaffirmed the City Council's support for the Quietway Bloomsbury to Southbank scheme, as part of the Central London Cycle Grid, and agreed to it being implemented.
2. That approval is granted to undertake design and implementation of the proposed Quietway from Bloomsbury to South Bank, as part of the Central London Cycle Grid, following the completion of public consultation which was undertaken between 11th September 2015 and 16th October 2015.
3. That the Cabinet Member has given delegated authority to the Executive Director for City Management and Communities to agree final scheme proposals and to enter into any necessary legal agreements with Transport for London, in consultation with the Cabinet Member.
4. That the Cabinet Member for Sustainability and Parking has given delegated authority to the Executive Director for City Management and Communities to make any requisite traffic regulation orders associated with the scheme.
5. That approval be granted for capital expenditure of £1,412,044 for initial design, detailed design, and implementation of proposals.
6. That approval be granted to enable the results of the public consultation can be published on Westminster City Council's website.

Reasons for Decision

- (i) The City Council supports the Mayor of London's Vision for Cycling in London, which was published by the Greater London Authority in March 2013. The City Council, in partnership with Transport for London and other local authorities, is supporting the delivery of the proposed Central London Cycle Grid, which comprises a number of Quietway cycle routes.
- (ii) A proposed Quietway cycle route from Bloomsbury to South Bank seeks to improve the provision for cycling along quieter streets, particularly for people wishing to avoid some of the busier main roads in the area.
- (iii) The proposed scheme will contribute to the Council's City for All objectives. It is intended that this scheme will:
 - Provide legible and safer routes for cycle traffic.
 - Improve the public realm and pedestrian facilities.

- Improve health. This will be achieved in part by encouraging more everyday journeys to be made by active transportation. Improvements to pedestrian facilities have also been proposed as part of the scheme.
- Encourage more people to cycle. This will be achieved by implementing a scheme suitable for all people who want to cycle in the area, particularly those wishing to avoid some of the busier, highly trafficked main roads.
- Reduce CO₂ emissions. This will be achieved in part by encouraging modal shift from private motor vehicles to bicycle.
- Reduce overcrowding on public transport. This will be achieved in part by encouraging more journeys to be made by bicycle.

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