

HOE STREET SCHEME

BETWEEN ORFORD ROAD AND LEA BRIDGE ROAD
PUBLIC CONSULTATION

6 JULY TO 30 JULY 2021



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Walthamstow is a dynamic and vibrant town centre and destination, boasting a diverse community, with excellent shopping and public transport links. It's the busiest transport interchange in Waltham Forest, serving both journeys into the town centre area and outward trips to key destinations such as Stratford and Central London.

In recent years, Walthamstow has gone from strength to strength with an ambitious programme of regeneration, including a number of new developments as well as a range of independent restaurants, cafes and businesses opening. To support and compliment these changes, Walthamstow Town Centre and the former Walthamstow Gyratory have undergone major transformation, making it an even more accessible, attractive, and popular destination for people living in Waltham Forest, as well as those travelling from further afield.

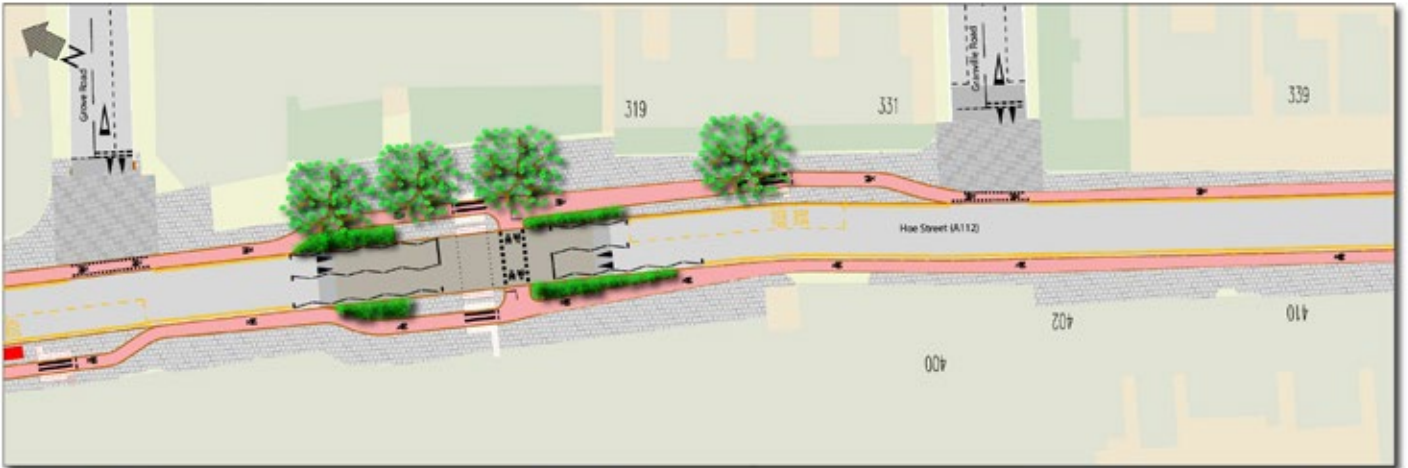
With more exciting development and regeneration planned in the future we're expecting more visitors to the town centre, and more people generally travelling to, from and through Walthamstow Central every day. We want to continue improving Hoe Street and the town centre so it is a safer, more accessible and convenient place to travel to, particularly by active and sustainable forms of transport.

Our plans focus on the section of Hoe Street between Orford Road and Lea Bridge Road and aim to build upon the existing network of safe and direct walking and cycling routes in the borough. The plans will provide more transport options to local people travelling between Lea Bridge Road, Walthamstow Central and the town centre, as well as supporting longer and/or multi modal journeys to places like Chingford, Whipps Cross, Leyton or Hackney.

In this leaflet you'll find maps and information on the measures proposed for the Hoe Street Scheme (between Orford Road and Lea Bridge Road) and how you can get involved and share your views.

HOE STREET SCHEME (BETWEEN ORFORD ROAD AND LEA BRIDGE ROAD) PROPOSALS





PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS

IMPROVEMENTS FOR CYCLING

- Introduce new fully segregated cycle tracks on both sides of Hoe Street between Orford Road and Lea Bridge Road. A fully segregated cycle track is when the cycle lane is higher than the carriageway but separated from the pavement.
- Identify locations for new cycle stands to be introduced.
- Introduce two raised pedestrian and cycle crossings near Grosvenor Park Road and Boundary Road to provide a safe place for people cycling to cross the road when moving between cycle tracks.
- Introduce a mixture of new bus stop by-passes, borders and islands to reduce interaction between cyclists and passengers when boarding and exiting.

IMPROVEMENTS FOR PEDESTRIANS

- Raise the junction at Queen's Road/ Orford Road to encourage drivers to slow down when approaching the junction and to reinforce the 20mph speed limit.
- Introduce two raised pedestrian and cyclist crossings near Grosvenor Park Road and Boundary Road to provide more safer places for people to cross the road.
- Widen the pavements at key pinch points and remove obstructions such as street furniture and historically poorly sited trees (which are in the centre of footways) to make Hoe Street more accessible for people with pushchairs, wheelchairs, and mobility scooters.
- Introduce continuous footways also known as blended 'Copenhagen' crossings, at all junctions with Hoe Street to prioritise pedestrians wishing to cross the junction, making travelling by foot safer and more direct.

IMPROVEMENTS TO THE LOOK AND FEEL OF HOE STREET

- Improve the footway with high quality materials that have a pronounced colour contrast with the cycle tracks to aid the visually impaired and to improve the overall aesthetics of the area.
- Identify locations along Hoe Street, and in surrounding streets, for new trees and plants, and introduce Sustainable urban Drainage (SuDS) at key locations (such as at side road junction treatments) to help address ponding and flooding during heavy rainfall.
- Improve the lighting along the highway to make people feel safer when travelling or spending time in the area.

IMPROVEMENTS FOR BUS SERVICES AND PASSENGERS

- Extend the northbound bus lane and make it operational 24 hours a day, to help improve bus journey times for northbound services.
- Introduce new bus stop shelters at all bus stops between Orford Road and Lea Bridge Road.
- Introduce a mixture of new bus stop by-passes, borders, and islands to reduce interaction between cyclists and passengers when boarding and exiting the bus.
- Upgrade traffic signalling infrastructure (by Transport for London), and re-time the signals to help smooth traffic flow at peak times.

CHANGES TO PARKING AND LOADING

- For the new segregated cycle lanes to be created parking and loading on Hoe Street will be changed to "no waiting and loading at any time". Parking and loading provision will be moved to side roads, and an additional two pay and display bays and nine dedicated loading spaces will be introduced in the side roads.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED AND HAVE YOUR SAY

We are running a public consultation for three weeks between 6 July to 30 July 2021.

To take part visit <https://hoestreetimprovements.commonplace.is> to read and comment on each of the proposals before 30 July 2021.

Are you a business owner on Hoe Street? We'll be contacting Hoe Street businesses directly to discuss the plans and answer any questions during the public consultation. But you can also get in touch using the details below.

If you need a hard copy version of the consultation survey or need help with any of the information in this leaflet please contact us:

By email: enjoy@walthamforest.gov.uk

By phone: 020 8496 3000 and ask to speak with the Enjoy Waltham Forest Team

By writing to: Enjoy Waltham Forest Team, Low Hall Depot, Leyton, London, E10 7AS.