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Dear Residents/Businesses

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Neighbourhood Improvements – Gunners Grove Area

We Want Your Views!

What is this about?

The Council has received complaints from local residents about dangerous and reckless driving in the vicinity of the junction of Gunners Grove with Heathcote Grove. In February 2013 Iain Duncan Smith MP made representations to the Council on their behalf to express the seriousness of the situation.

In response to this, traffic speed and volume counts along with origin and destination surveys were conducted and it was found that:

- Southbound ‘Rat running’ was identified in the morning peak using Chingford Ave, Heathcote Grove, Gunners Grove and Colvin Gardens into Larkshall Rd presumably to avoid any congestion at the signals at Chingford Mount and to avoid using Endlebury Road and;
- Similar reverse north-bound return traffic-flows in the evening peak were also seen to be an issue.

The Council is committed to improving road safety for all road users and residents through the introduction speed reducing measures and by reducing through traffic where this is possible. These types of measures have previously been shown to improve both road safety and the physical environment of residential streets and areas within the borough. This in turn would promote sustainable and active transport methods and lifestyles which benefit the entire community.

What are we proposing?

The Council is conducting a coherent consultation exercise by addressing the through traffic aspect as well as the subsequent impact it may have on other roads and in particular Endlebury Road.



It is proposed to introduce a 'point' road closure (the road closed to motor vehicles only at a single location) on Gunners Grove at the point where it meets Organ Lane (footpath), between Harold Road and Hawkwell Court. This proposal would prevent through-traffic along this section of Gunners Grove, but still allow cyclists and pedestrians to pass along without change.

As a result of this point closure, it is envisaged that traffic levels may increase on Endlebury Road where some vehicles travel faster than the 30mph speed limit. In order to deal with this possible side-effect, it is proposed to introduce a combination of vertical traffic calming measures which would include, a raised junction, two raised zebra crossing and three speed humps on Endlebury Road between its junction with The Ridgeway and Larkshall Road.

It is also proposed to introduce some 'street-scene' (landscaping) improvements at the junction of The Ridgeway with Endlebury Road.

These proposals are illustrated on the plan in this leaflet.

How can I have my say?

Please detach and complete the questionnaire form within this leaflet and return it using the pre-paid postage envelope provided.

Please make sure your comments reach us by **Friday 6th February 2015**.

If you wish to send any additional correspondence, please write to,

Traffic Team
London Borough of Waltham Forest
Low Hall Depot
Argall Avenue
Leyton
E10 7AS

Due to the large volume of consultation replies which are expected, it will not be possible to respond to any individual responses, although the Council will write to all residents later providing the results of the consultations, and their outcome.

Public communications – Answering your questions

As part of this public engagement we will be able to answer any telephone queries you may have before completing the consultation form. You can either call me or my colleagues on the numbers shown below :

Evan Jeposa: 020 8496 1039

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What happens next?

All consultation responses will be analysed before a decision is made whether to proceed with the scheme or not. All directly affected residents will be notified again before any construction works take place, which are likely to start in May 2015 if the scheme is approved. Legal traffic order notices would also be advertised on-line and in Waltham Forest News where these are required.

Yours sincerely

Evan Jeposa
Senior Traffic Engineer
Neighbourhoods and Commissioning

CONSULTATION QUESTIONNAIRE

Gunners Grove Neighbourhood Improvements

Please complete the questionnaire, tear off this page, fold and return to the Freepost address overleaf, **or by** email to evan.jeposa@walthamforest.gov.uk before **Friday 6th February 2015.**

Personal details

Name (optional): _____

Address (required): _____

Postcode (required): _____

Resident Business Local Business Employee

Neighbourhood Traffic Improvement Scheme

Please complete the table below to express your views:

	Yes	No
Q1. Do you agree with the proposals to reduce through traffic by means of a point closure on Gunners Grove?		
Q2. Do you support the proposed traffic calming measures on Endlebury Road?		
Q3. Do you support the proposed public realm measures?		
Please write any comments that you may have on the proposals in the box below and by attaching additional sheets if needed.		