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Dear Resident.

West and East Greenwich neighbourhood management scheme recommended to be made permanent subject to statutory consultation

As you know, trial measures have been in place in West and East Greenwich since November 2024 to improve traffic, road safety and air quality.

Throughout the trial, 13 roads were closed to traffic at peak times on weekdays, with exemptions for disabled blue badge holders, community groups, taxis, private hire vehicles and those in exceptional circumstances. All roads were still open to people walking and cycling and all addresses were still accessible by car.

Following significant consultation and data analysis, we have published a report recommending to make the scheme permanent, with some changes and subject to process and statutory consultation.

We are also proposing to:

- Keep the timings of the scheme remain the same:
 Monday to Friday, 7am to 10am and 3pm to 7pm.
- Remove the cameras currently on Royal Hill, Blissett Street and Winforton Street and replace with cameras on the following junctions: Royal Place / Royal Hill, Hyde Vale / Royal Hill, Point Hill / Royal Hill, Royal Hill / Greenwich South Street and Winforton Street / Royal Hill.
- Increase in the number of vehicle exemptions per eligible Blue Badge holder from one vehicle to two.

The existing measures remain in place until all processes have been followed.





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What does the data say?

We had data collected before and during the consultation, both before and after the Silvertown Tunnel opening. The data shows that within trial areas:

- Traffic has reduced by 66% in West Greenwich, 52% in East Greenwich and 15% in Charlton during the hours the filters are in operation.
- Vehicle use has declined by 30% within West Greenwich and by 20% within East Greenwich during non-filtered periods.
- Motorised trips across the whole area (including boundary roads) has reduced by 6%.
- 54% of areas in West Greenwich experienced decreasing NO2, with an 11% increase in some locations
- 66% of areas in East Greenwich experienced decreasing levels of NO2, with no areas experiencing an increase
- 77% of areas in Charlton experienced decreasing or similar levels of NO2, with a 23% increase in some locations
- Some boundary areas have experienced slightly more traffic, which will we work with residents to mitigate
- 23% of survey respondents said they were walking and wheeling 'much more' and 'more' than before, with data showing a particular increase in walking in the afternoon
- There are no concerns from TfL about bus journey times

What happens next?

The decision to keep, remove or amend the West and East Greenwich Neighbourhood Management Trial Scheme is not dependent on any single metric, but a combination of them together with feedback from the formal consultation with residents and stakeholders.

The Leader of the Council will consider the report and makes a decision no earlier than Friday 3 October 2025. There will be further engagement with residents once a final decision is made.

Any decision made may be subject to a 'call-in' where a group of councillors can request a review. We will be providing regular updates on our website and the Commonplace survey portal.

If the recommended decisions are made, the next stage is to proceed to a Traffic Management Order which is a legal process to implement the decision.

In the meantime the existing measures and exemptions remain in place.

More information and answers to frequently asked questions can be found at royalgreenwich.gov.uk/waeg-update