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Baltic Street West – Public Realm Improvement Scheme

Dear Residents & Businesses,

In March 2020 Islington Council consulted on public realm improvements proposals on Baltic Street West at the junction of Sycamore Street and Crescent Row. The scheme works towards shifting the balance in this space from vehicles to people, whilst encouraging social cohesion by enabling people to be more socially active and connected to their community. These scheme proposals included: -

- The permanent closure of Crescent Row between Baltic Street West and Sycamore Street.
- New public seating areas, new planting, footway repaving & carriageway resurfacing.
- The removal of two shared parking bay spaces outside Sycamore House to enable the safe passage of two-way traffic.
- The relocation of the current motorcycle bays at the junction of Baltic Street West and Crescent Row to the current shared parking bay spaces outside No.24-26 Baltic Street West.

A plan of the scheme proposals can be found enclosed with this letter.

Due to Baltic Street West being a boundary road of Islington Council and the City of London Corporation, the consultation was designed to reach residents and businesses from both authorities and ensure the views of both communities were received. We are delighted to inform you that the consultation received a positive result, with 68% of respondents in favour of the scheme going ahead and we are now in a position to progress with the construction of the scheme.

As part of the consultation process, we listened to concerns raised by respondents and have agreed to implement the relocated motorcycle bay spaces as part of an 18 month experimental traffic order. This will allow us to assess the impact of the new motorcycle bays and to consider mitigation or relocation if deemed necessary.



The works are scheduled to begin on 08 February and are expected to last up to 7 weeks, barring any unforeseen circumstances. As part of the works we will be: -

- Closing Crescent Row between Baltic Street West and Sycamore Street
- Suspending the parking bay spaces outside Sycamore House and 24-26 Baltic Street West (Motorcycles will be permitted to park in the suspended bays outside No.24 26 Baltic Street West)
- Supplying an on-site welfare unit for our contractors

The Baltic Street West Public Realm Improvement Scheme will be implemented in coordination with the highway works being carried out at the front of the COLPAI school. These works will begin at a later date than the Baltic Street West Scheme, however both projects will combine to create an enhanced regeneration of Baltic Street West.

Following the completion of both schemes, carriageway resurfacing will be carried out between Baltic Street West, Goswell Road and Old Street, improving carriageway conditions and the aesthetics of the area. A letter detailing these dates will be sent out closer to the time.

We apologise for any inconvenience caused during this period and will aim to keep disruption to a minimum. If you would like any further information on the scheme then please contact the scheme engineer Chris Loughran at Christopher.loughran@islington.gov.uk or on 020 7527 3734.

Thank you,

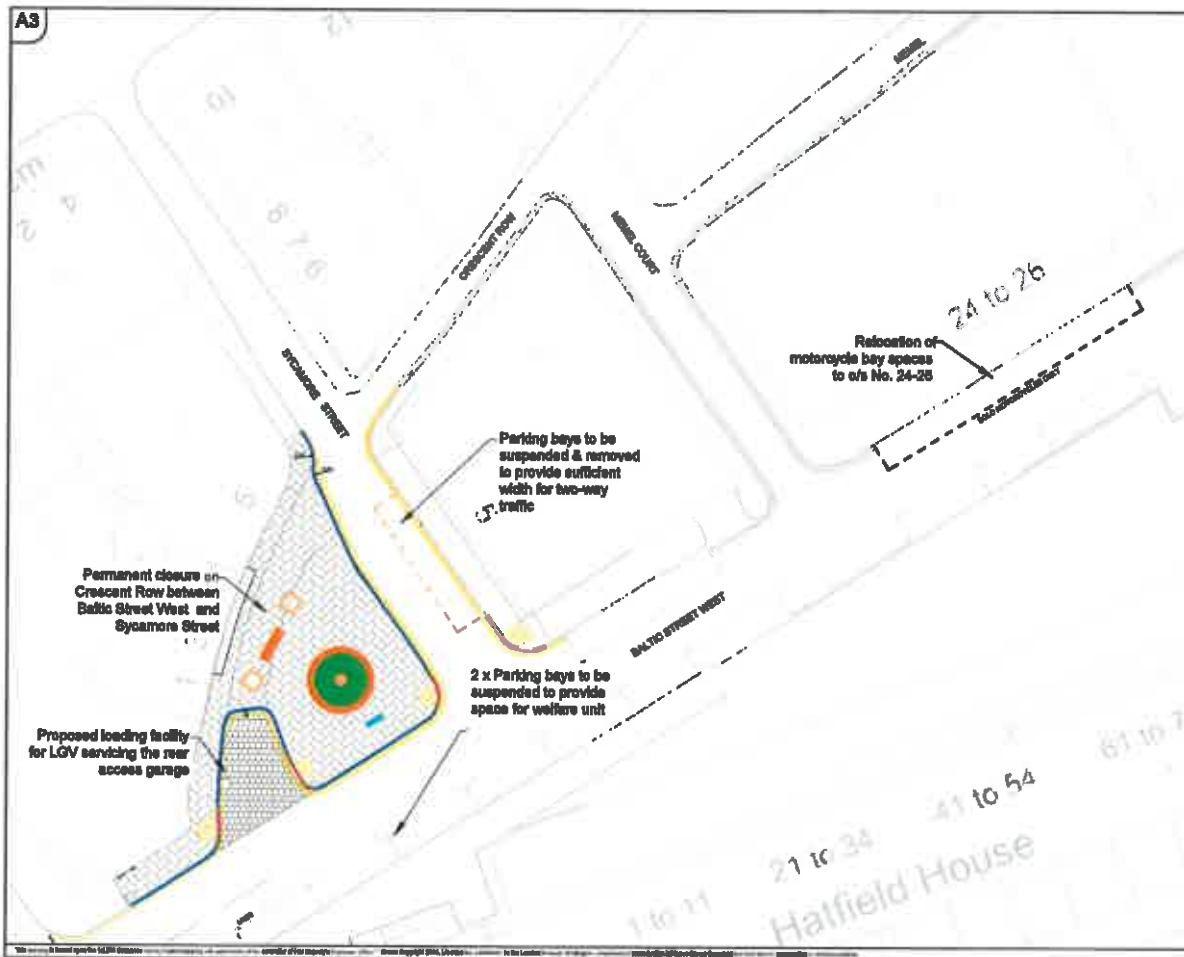
Yours Faithfully

Chris Loughran

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- Key:**
- New block paving
 - Traffic parking in new existing footway
 - New 100% cycle block paving
 - Access platform
 - Motorbikes
 - Cycle bays to be incorporated with existing ground surface markings. The colour change is to be incorporated with existing markings
 - Utility box to be painted
 - Proposed path
 - Proposed footway
 - Proposed dropped kerb

Notes:
Nothing New

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Project Baltic Street West - Public Realm Improvements	
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