

Statement of HOME RA regarding TMAC meeting 8th February 2017 on No entry to Addiscombe Court Rd and Canning Rd Petitions

On the 8th February, Croydon Council's Traffic Management Advisory Committee, following a petition from residents of Addiscombe Court Road and Canning Road agreed to consult interested parties on making another two roads, Addiscombe Court Road and Canning Road, "No Entry" at their junction with Addiscombe Road. This petition arose from the problems caused by unsustainable levels of traffic entering Addiscombe Court Road following the Council's previous decision to make the adjacent Lebanon Road one-way. That decision in turn was taken because of the similar levels of traffic and associated problems in Lebanon Road, with its on street parking and no front gardens.

Mira Armour, the Chair of H.O.M.E Residents' Association has objected to the petition as put forward. While she appreciates the problem experienced by residents in Addiscombe Court Road - and supports them in their desire to get the matter resolved, the proposal as it stands would mean that all roads from Lebanon Road to Clyde Road inclusive would be "No Entry" to northbound traffic. This, in turn, is likely to increase the amount of traffic flowing along the already busy Chepstow Road down to where it meets the tram line going along Addiscombe Road, and traffic arriving from Park Hill Road would need to travel along the same stretch of Addiscombe Road as the trams, leading to the probability of greater congestion and greater risk of accident. It is also likely to increase the amount of through-traffic along roads further down Addiscombe Road. This new, piecemeal, solution would, therefore, merely push the problem onto other roads without solving the underlying problems, that main one of which has been stated as being the nature of the junctions of Cherry Orchard Road with Addiscombe Road and Lower Addiscombe Road.

The consultation as now approved by the Council's Traffic Management Advisory Committee has been broadened from consulting only adjacent roads to include H.O.M.E Residents' Association roads and broader areas including Cherry Orchard Road. The Committee have asked for the monitoring of levels and direction of traffic and flow modelling, especially bearing in mind the likely impact and implications of future development in Central Croydon on traffic in the area covered by the various residents' associations. Additionally, all this requires the involvement of Transport for London, which has responsibility for the main roads in question and because any decision to alter the layout of the two Cherry Orchard junctions would require financial approval and input from them.

Mira Armour is the Lead speaker for the Addiscombe Planning Group which represents the 9 residents' associations and groups in Addiscombe Ward. Together with Shirley Planning Forum, representing further 6 RAs, they have requested a meeting with the Council and TFL to have a look at what strategic traffic management planning has been done so far and how their two groups will be consulted and involved in this process.

Roads within HOME Residents' Association Area

Contact Mira Armour Tel 02086546437

Elgin Road

Havelock Road

Mulberry Lane

Outram Road

Ashburton Road

Ashburton Gardens

Ashburton Close

North side of Addiscombe Road – between Elgin Road and Ashburton Road

South side of Lower Addiscombe Road – between Elgin Road and Ashburton Road

Addiscombe Planning Group

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Addiscombe & Shirley Park RA - ASPRA

Blackhorse RA

Canning and Clyde Road RA

CHASE RA

East Croydon Community Organisation - ECCO

H.O.M.E RA

Park Hill RA

Tunstall & Addiscombe Court RA - TACRA

The Whitgift RA

Shirley Planning Forum

Spring Park RA

Monks Orchard RA

Shirley Oaks RA

Shrublands RA

Bishops Walk RA

Shirley Hills RA