

## **Consultation on Kentish Town Area Wide Improvements**

To Raymond Cheng and Simi Shah

I am writing on behalf of Camden Cycling Campaign, the local borough group of London Cycling Campaign (LCC). We have over 600 members and represent the interests of cyclists living or working in the borough of Camden. We have consulted our members by email and on CycleScape on this issue and this response reflects the views of the membership.

We strongly support all of the proposed measures for the following reasons.

1. Raise junction Bartholomew Road Kentish Town Road to slow down motors, because this will make the junction safer for pedestrians and cyclists and also more convenient for people pushing buggies etc.
2. Cycle gap in Kelly Street closure at Castlehaven Road. This gap should have been put in when the end of the road was closed. And in 21st century London, It is unthinkable that anyone would close a road without making a cycle gap. It is very restrictive and discouraging for cyclists to have to lift their bikes up over the kerb and back down the other side.
3. Raise junction Anglers Lane/Willies Road/Prince of Wales Road, partly because of the safety and convenience gains for cyclists, but also because it should help with allowing cyclists to turn right out of Castlehaven Road.
4. Two-way cycling in Wolsey Mews, for the convenience of being able to progress parallel to KTR when it is busy and without the need to change to the other side of KTR.
5. Relocate Pay and Display bays to clear the northbound approach to the junction with Regis Road. More clear space in the road does to some extent help cyclists to move forward when the road is congested.
6. Change single to double yellow lines with waiting ban on both sides of Leighton Road between KTR and Leverton Street. This will be particularly helpful in allowing cyclists to enter Leighton Road safely as well as more easily reaching the signals when heading towards KTR.
7. Raise the LeightonRoad/Torriano Avenue junction and introduce a cycle gap at the central refuge island. The cycle gap will be very useful for cyclists northbound on Torriano Avenue and will stop their current practice of using the zebra crossings.

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