

## Camden Cycling Campaign

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### **A41 Finchley Road**

Thank you for the update on the plans for the Finchley Road. We understand that this is not a consultation but we have some comments.

We note that TfL plans to implement the changes at the Fortune Green junction and keep the changes to the bus lane operating hours introduced in December 2021 but will not implement the plans for the Hendon Way junction.

**Fortune Green Junction** - we are pleased to see these changes. They will remove a significant left-hook danger for cyclists and should allow the bus lane to be extended past the junction.

**Bus lane operating hours** - we were pleased when TfL introduced extended bus lane operating hours across London, including on the Finchley Road. However, the utility of the lanes for cyclists is significantly impaired by the large number of loading and parking bays which operate for much of the working day. We encourage TfL to review the number of these and the hours they operate and also to consider widening the bus lane so that cyclists can pass buses and loading vehicles without having to move into the main traffic lane.

**Hendon Way Junction** - we are disappointed that TfL do not plan to make the proposed changes to this very dangerous junction and urge you to keep it on your list of improvements for the near future.

Longer term, as a key route into and out of London, Finchley Road should have protected cycle lanes and junctions and this should include the Swiss Cottage area.

Camden Cycling Campaign is the local borough group of the London Cycling Campaign. We represent the interests of cyclists living or working in or travelling through Camden and aim to expand the opportunities for all to cycle safely in the borough. We have discussed the plans in our committee and with the London Cycling Campaign.

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