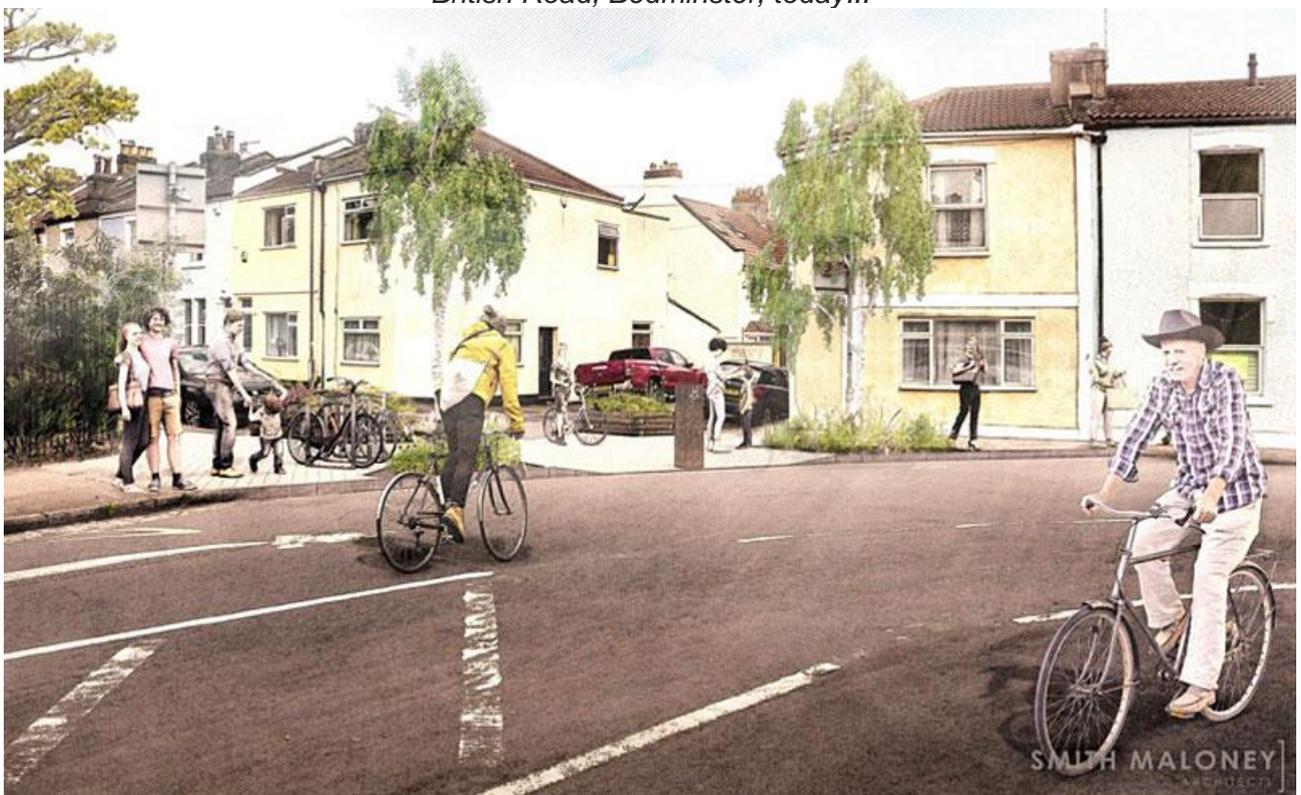


Liveable Neighbourhoods Bristol

Liveable Neighbourhoods are residential neighbourhoods with traffic filters inside them to stop cars, vans and lorries using the streets as rat-runs. Here are some examples of potential improvements



British Road, Bedminster, today...



...and as a Liveable Neighbourhood

Residents can still drive to their homes, residents and businesses can still get deliveries, and pedestrians and bikes can get through freely.

Liveable Neighbourhoods offer huge benefits for elderly and disabled people (and children) as reduced car traffic allows them to move around their neighbourhood safely.



Cotham Hill today...



...and as a Liveable Neighbourhood

High streets in these areas become attractive destinations where people want to spend their time again and again, and so footfall and trade increase.

This initiative has been set up following months of meetings between Bristol-wide organisations and local community organisations, including Bristol Older People's Forum, the Bristol Cycling Campaign, walking groups and those campaigning for climate justice and cleaner air. From this process we've created a website and ways to engage.

In the H&CCA area we have 2 groups, Clifton, represented by Julie Milton from Climate Action and Anna Haydock-Wilson who works closely with H&CCA. It's really easy to sign up- just follow this link <https://liveablebristol.org.uk/>. If you're not a Facebook user you can contact us admin@hotwellscliftonwood.org.uk as we're keen to hear what improvements YOU think would make our neighbourhood more 'liveable'. Over the coming months we will develop ideas and research funding opportunities and council permissions for positive changes to our environment.

In 2008 H&CCA carried out a survey and created the Hotwells & Cliftonwood Community Association Traffic Strategy. You can find it here. https://www.hotwellscliftonwood.org.uk/hotwells_cliftonwood_community_traffic_strategy Some things have improved, but many of us feel, for example, that motor traffic is too dominant on Hotwell Road and that it would be great to take advantage of the wide pavements and increase local trade and social spaces.

The groups are currently 'closed' Facebook groups as there has been a lot of verbal abuse on social media from people who see attempts to lower car use as a threat. This is not to kill off open debate and discussion, but to avoid unnecessary stress to individuals who get targeted. We have all heard the loud voices and opinions from these groups and in some cases seen road signs vandalised and barriers removed! We welcome all opinions but not abuse.

