



From your local Lib Dem team: Cllr David Bartolucci, Cllr Rich Clare and Cllr Ali Mirhashem

# SAFER ROADS

## Plans to improve road safety at Robin Hood Lane and Collingwood Rd.



**As your local ward Councillors, Cllr. Bartolucci, Cllr. Clare and Cllr. Mirhashem have expressed concerns regarding difficulty of crossing and excessive traffic speed in Robin Hood Lane and Collingwood Road.**

Along with local residents we have approached the Council to review its highways strategy. This busy route is used by our local community, including parents and children attending a number of

schools in the area. We are pleased to inform you that funding has now been allocated by Transport for London (TfL) in the current year's Local Implementation Plan (LIP) programme to investigate, design and consult on this scheme. The outline plans of the crossing facilities at various locations in Robin Hood Lane and Collingwood Road with an extension of the 20mph zone to be linked with the existing 20mph zone in Collingwood Road has now been completed.

As part of the process, initial plans have been communicated for informal consultation with residents in the affected areas. Letters were sent to households along with an online option.

Cllr. Mirhashem, Chair of the

Sutton Local Committee said, "The proposals comprising zebra crossings, new islands, enlarging of existing islands and introducing a 20mph speed limit, should help towards relieving some of the safety issues we as ward Cllrs. and local residents wish to see improved". He went on to say; "...we hope everyone has had a chance to respond to the consultation by post or online... this is a great opportunity to shape the street scene and to comment on the future design of the area".

Subject to the outcome of the informal consultation, the scheme will have to undergo a detailed construction design phase prior to implementation on site in the year 2021/22.

## New Trans Pride Crossing in Sutton Central

Cllr. Bartolucci, Cllr. Clare and Cllr. Mirhashem are proud to introduce the new crossing, which is on the one-way system outside Asda as a visible celebration of Sutton's transgender community and a sign of the inclusivity of the borough.

It will also form part of Sutton's work to improve local streets and make walking and cycling more appealing.

The crossing will brighten-up the area and provide a colourful welcome for people entering Sutton. Should you be experiencing hate crime of any description, please contact; StopHate helpline which is free to use and available 24 hours a day on 08088010661.

## Lidl take Sutton to appeal



**Your Sutton Central Cllrs., along with local residents have been pushing back on Lidl's plans to close off the entrance to the High Street. Lidl will be occupying the former Matalan building in the Town Centre. Whilst we welcome their investment in our ward, we have been left disappointed with the store's insistence on closing off a key asset.**

The local community have been accommodating of the changes to the former site and have ensured a good working relationship. Therefore, Lidl's appeal to the Planning Inspector, against the recommendation of the councillors and residents is frustrating. We have made representation to the independent adjudicator against reversing the Council's recommendation.

Cllr. David Bartolucci said; "As part of our investment and strategic planning for our High Street, we sought to renovate and open up our district centre. Whilst we are making good progress, projects take time to evolve and actions like this are not in keeping with our vision for the future of our Town Centre".

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