



Safer streets: It's now easier to walk, cycle and use public transport in the area

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THE STREETS AROUND NINE ELMS HAVE BEEN MADE SAFER AND MORE ACCESSIBLE

THE first phase of work to improve a 2.5km stretch of Nine Elms Lane and Battersea Park Road is now complete, with the help of TfL, Battersea Power Station and Wandsworth Council.

It's now safer and easier to walk, cycle and use public transport in the area, and residents have access to the new Tube stations at Nine Elms and Battersea Power Station, which opened yesterday as part of the Northern Line Extension.

WHAT HAPPENED IN PHASE ONE?

The first phase included refreshing the southern and northern pavements and widening the northern pavement between the Duchess Rail Bridge and Sleaford Street. There is also a new controlled pedestrian crossing across Battersea Park Road, which provides direct access to the new Battersea Power Station Underground station.

For cyclists, there's a new eastbound and westbound segregated cycle lane between the Duchess Rail Bridge and Sleaford Street. Plus, there's a new cycle link and dedicated cycle crossing

between Thessaly Road and Battersea Park Road.

Bus stops have been revamped and made more accessible, providing a handy interchange with the new Northern line station at Battersea Power Station.

The project supports the wider regeneration in the area and is part of a £1bn package of dedicated infrastructure investment to support the size and scale of the area's growth.

REGENERATING THE AREA

From now until 2030, the area around Nine Elms has approximately 40 major development sites building 20,000 new homes and creating 25,000 new jobs.

It's also better connected, with the Northern line extending to the new station at Battersea Power Station, which means that journey times to the City and West End take less than 15 minutes.

TfL will continue to work with Battersea Power Station and other developers on more improvements to be delivered between 2023 and 2025. These include upgraded footways and crossing facilities for people walking, improved bus stops

and streetscape enhancements.

New cycle facilities will create a continuous cycle route from Vauxhall Gyratory to the east of the scheme, as well as connecting with the CS8 cycle route at Macduff Road.

In response to the coronavirus pandemic, TfL upgraded the nearby cycle route between Wandsworth Town Centre and Chelsea Bridge (CS8), so people have more space to walk and cycle safely. Upgrades included protected space for people cycling, wider cycle lanes and lower speed limits to reduce road danger.

The upgraded route is open and people without a bike can easily hire a Santander Cycles bike to try it out.

Will Norman, London's walking and cycling commissioner, said: 'Enabling more Londoners to walk and cycle is more important than ever to ensure a cleaner, greener recovery from the pandemic, so I'm delighted that the first phase of improvements at Nine Elms is complete.'

'The Northern Line Extension is supporting tens of thousands of new jobs and homes, and the changes to road layouts will ensure that the increased numbers of people living in and visiting the area can travel safely and sustainably.'



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