



**Transformation:** The Whitechapel area will be improved with Healthy Streets funding

# Sprucing up the city

## TFL AND LOCAL COUNCILS PAVE THE WAY TO HEALTHIER STREETS ACROSS LONDON

LOCAL high streets in Barnet, Croydon, Islington, Southwark, Tower Hamlets and Wandsworth will all be receiving a makeover, as part of the Mayor's commitment to create Healthy Streets.

From planting trees to rigorous decluttering, the aim is to make the areas more appealing for walking, cycling and shopping.

This will improve air quality, reduce congestion and help make London's diverse locations more attractive places to live.

### CLEANER AND GREENER

Keeping high streets clean and green is important for creating a sense of community, and many of the streets will be smartened up with an initial decluttering operation. Hendon Central in Barnet will be perked up with more trees and refreshed planters, as well as new cycle parking.

Reducing road danger is at the heart of the initiative to make the spaces safer for pedestrians and cyclists. This will also boost the local economy, with research showing that such transformations can lead to a 93 per cent increase in walking and more retail spaces being filled - this is because pedestrians are more likely than drivers to make purchases.

Proposed measures for Peckham High Street in Southwark include widening the pavements, improving pedestrian crossings and reducing



**Safer speed limits:** Changes to come in the Tooting Bec area from May

speed limits. Tfl will consult on these measures later this month. Meanwhile, in May a 20mph speed limit is being introduced to Tooting High Street in Wandsworth.

### ART AND IDENTITY

With a selection of creative low-cost ideas, the boroughs and Tfl will work to give each area an enhanced sense of identity.

This will include getting the paint pots out and refreshing signage to local points of interest. For example, the Whitechapel Market

area in Tower Hamlets will be brightened up with better signage and lighting, new stall coverings and enhanced seating.

In Islington, Holloway Road is being upgraded with help from local residents and businesses. As well as reducing traffic to create a more pleasant space for pedestrians, street furniture such as electrical cabinets will be painted to promote links with the local area.

For more information about the Healthy Streets Approach, visit the website at [tfl.gov.uk](http://tfl.gov.uk)

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### Oxford Street

**Until Tuesday April 14, 8pm**  
Oxford Street (westbound) will be closed between Regent Street and North Audley Street for a council regeneration scheme.

### Westminster area

**Friday, 2pm to 8pm**  
A group will form at Park Lane

from 2pm and march to Whitehall via Hyde Park Corner, Piccadilly, Piccadilly Circus, Regent Street, Pall Mall and Cockspur Street.

### Parliament Square

**Friday, 8.30pm to midnight**  
A group will form at this location for an event.

### Putney Bridge

**Sunday, 4am to Monday, 4am**  
The bridge will be closed southbound to traffic (except

buses and cyclists) with a signed diversion via Wandsworth Bridge, owing to Thames Tideway works. Lower Richmond Road is also closed eastbound. Traffic will be diverted.

### Oxford Street

**Sunday, 10pm to Tuesday, 6am**  
Various closures will take place on Oxford Street on Sunday and Monday nights. This is part of an ongoing maintenance project throughout 2020.

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