



London Borough of Barnet

Cabinet – 18 July 2023

The following motion has been considered a matter falling within the powers of the Executive and identified in the Council summons. As such, the motion shall stand referred to the next meeting of the Executive in accordance with the Council Constitution Part 3A, section 15.5.1.

Reference from Council: 11 July 2023

Motion: Road Closures in Barnet

Proposer: Councillor Daniel Thomas as amended by Councillor Alan Schneiderman and agreed by Full Council.

Council notes:

- The road closure at Golders Green Crescent is the result of an experimental traffic order.
- An experimental traffic order enables a consultation where the seeking and receiving of the views of residents occurs concurrently to the trial of the measure being consulted upon. The receiving of views and the trial measures together constitute the consultation.
- That the trial is the next step in a process following the Golders Green Strategic Plan being passed in January 2020 under the previous Conservative administration by the Conservative majority on the Housing and Growth Committee.
- That as part of the work before that strategy was published, residents were consulted on the pedestrianisation of one end of Golders Green Crescent.

Council resolves:

- Not to impose road closures on communities and to ensure there has been adequate consultation (except for emergencies, repairs to roads, pavements and utility works).
- To ensure that residents are consulted, including those of surrounding roads, regarding proposals to alter local traffic flow and access to town

centres, and that consultations enabled by experimental traffic orders are a legitimate form of this

- To refrain from issuing permanent traffic orders before consultation results have been published and fully discussed with the relevant ward councillors.
- To study closely the results of the Golders Green Crescent trial to ensure any permanent closure has support from the local community.

Council RESOLVED that the Motion, as amended and as set out above, be recommended to the Executive for consideration.

FOR CONSIDERATION

Background documents:

Motion submitted to the Council meeting – 11 July 2023:

<https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s79084/Administration%20amendment%20to%20opposition%20motion%20-road%20closures%2014.8.pdf>

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