



COUNCIL MEETING – 7 DECEMBER 2017

MOTION 4: Providing safe streets for people walking and cycling is a matter of social justice – AMENDED VERSION

Motion moved by Councillor Russell.

Amendment moved by Councillor Webbe and seconded by Councillor Watts.

This Council notes that:

- Tragically, 29 children were killed or seriously injured on roads in Islington between 2012-2016.
- The percentage of children in Islington who have excess weight (obese or overweight) in Reception (aged 4-5 years) is similar to the England average of 22.5% and 36.5% in Year 6 (aged 10-11 years).
- In Islington, just 26% of households have access to a car or van. 35% of Islington children are living in poverty.

This Council further notes:

- Islington Council's Transport Strategy was adopted in March 2012 and includes a commitment to making Islington's transport environment healthy, by promoting active travel and reducing the negative health impacts of motor vehicle travel on Islington residents, in particular the borough's most deprived communities.
- The Council's response to the Mayor of London's draft Transport Strategy, supporting our shared aims of reducing traffic and taking a 'Healthy Streets' and 'Vision Zero' approach to managing the transport network.
- Islington was the first borough to introduce a 20mph speed limit on all locally managed roads; has introduced a parking permit charging system based on vehicle emissions; has transformed Archway Gyratory into the new 'Navigator Square' with improved cycling and pedestrian routes; and is committed to working with TfL to make other major changes to gyratories at Old Street, Highbury Corner, King's Cross and Nag's Head.
- The Council has aligned further elements of the Transport Strategy and the Council's fairness agenda by delivering safer routes to council estates, including encouraging more active forms of travel; a borough-wide programme of traffic management and road safety schemes; cycle infrastructure improvements and cycle training; supporting Play Streets in the borough.

- The Council has also published detailed proposals to transform Clerkenwell Green to create more green space and to encourage walking.
- Islington loses out on TfL funding for LIP (Local Implementation Plans) compared to other boroughs due to a change in the funding formula implemented by the former Mayor of London, Boris Johnson.
- This council believes that providing safe streets for people walking and cycling is a matter of social justice.

This council resolves to:

- Continue to work with the community to reduce traffic, reduce road danger and enable all residents to make local journeys safely and conveniently on foot, via public transport and by bike.
- Formulate a new Transport Strategy for adopting in Summer 2019, once the final Mayor of London's Transport Strategy is published, that seeks to continue to seek transport investment that improves local people's health and safety.