



Please give us your views

Popes Lane

A406 to Rose Gardens

Proposal for transport and highways improvements

Public consultation

Ealing Council

Background

Popes Lane, between the A406 and Rose Gardens, experiences recurring operational and safety challenges linked to fluctuating parking demand and event activity at Gunnersbury Park. During major events, high levels of obstructive parking along this section of the corridor have reduced carriageway width to the point that London Buses have, on several occasions, been forced to divert services for safety and accessibility reasons. Conversely, during weekdays and periods of low parking demand, local residents report frequent occurrences of excessive speeding, as the absence of parked vehicles creates a wider, unobstructed carriageway that encourages higher vehicle speeds. Together, these conditions contribute to an inconsistent street environment, with alternating periods of congestion and excessive speed that undermine reliability, safety, and neighbourhood amenity.

The council has developed proposals to tackle parking, bus reliability, and speeding issues along this part of Popes Lane, as shown in the enclosed plans.



Proposals

- Removal of obstructive parking to improve safety and maintain bus reliability
- Footway widening to create more space for pedestrians and shared use users
- Traffic calming features, including horizontal deflection and raised elements, to reduce vehicle speeds
- New and improved crossing facilities for pedestrians and cyclists
- Improved access to Gunnersbury Park through upgraded junctions and crossings
- Enhanced bus stops to support accessibility and service reliability
- Installation of rain gardens to improve drainage, manage surface water, and increase greening along the corridor

What impact will the proposals have?

Permit holder parking on Popes Lane operates within Controlled Parking Zone GP, which runs Monday to Friday from 9–10am and 2–3pm. There are currently 76 permit holder bays on Popes Lane and 57 registered permit holders.

The proposals affect the section between Gunnersbury Drive and Cedar Grove and reduce the number of bays on Popes Lane from 76 to 58. This remains sufficient to accommodate the 57 registered permit holders. In addition, the majority of properties along Popes Lane benefit from off street parking, significantly reducing reliance on kerbside spaces. Further capacity is also available on the surrounding side roads within the same CPZ, which can comfortably absorb any displaced demand. However, the council are aware of increased parking demands at weekends and during events at Gunnersbury Park. In view of this, we plan to review the CPZ and consult with residents on parking matters, later this year.

Overall, the scheme delivers improved bus reliability, safer pedestrian crossings, and an enhanced public realm, while retaining a level of parking provision appropriate for the area's residential profile.

What are the benefits of the proposals?

- Improves bus reliability and overall journey consistency.
- Provides safer, more accessible crossings for pedestrians and cyclists.
- Enhances walking conditions along the corridor.
- Introduces new rain gardens, supporting urban greening.
- Reduces vehicle speeds through targeted traffic calming features.
- the proposals are in line with the Mayor of London and Ealing Council transport strategies to encourage sustainable travel (walking, cycling and public transport)

How can I give my feedback?

Please read this document carefully and consider the proposals. **Have your say** by completing the online survey at:

haveyoursay.ealing.gov.uk/en-GB/projects/poppe-lane

The closing date for this consultation is:

26 July 2026

What happens next?

The responses to this consultation will be analysed and reported to your ward councillors and the Cabinet Member for Climate Action. A decision will then be taken regarding implementation of the scheme. If the scheme is approved, the design may be amended based on the feedback received during this consultation.

Before implementation, the Council is required to carry out a 21 day statutory consultation. This involves notices being placed on posts and lamp columns in the proposed area and the publication of the notice within the Ealing Gazette. This process provides the public with a further opportunity to comment on the proposals.

The results of this consultation will be published online at www.ealing.gov.uk/consultations.

Further information

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