



Liveable Streets Co-design Workshops Overview Report

Wapping

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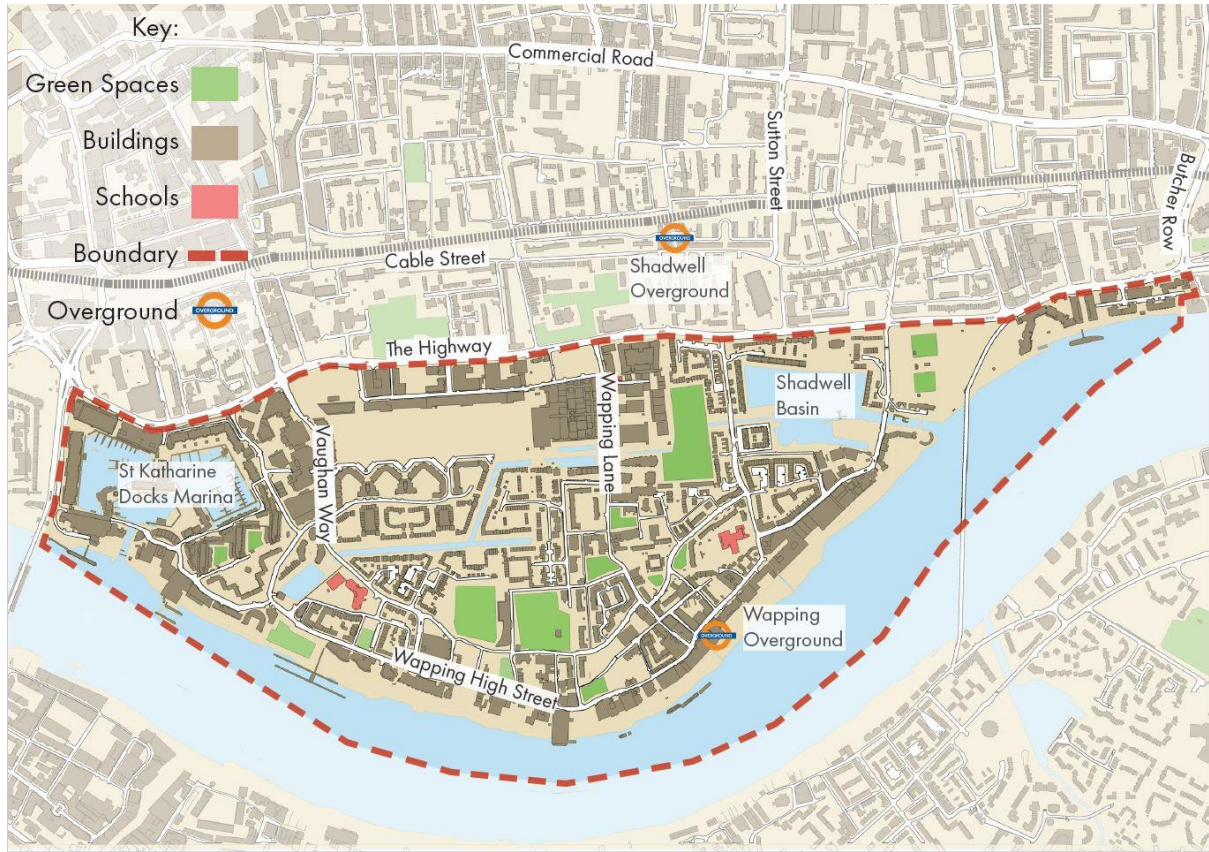
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1. WAPPING AREA

The phase one engagement for Wapping covered the area below



2. CO-DESIGN WORKSHOPS OVERVIEW

2.1 Workshop Dates:

- Thursday 11 July
- Tuesday 16 July
- Thursday 12 September

2.2 Venues:

- Ensign Youth Centre, Wapping, E1 8HY
- Step-by-Step Nursery, 15 Chandler Street, Wapping, E1W 2QL

2.3 Workshop overview:

The Liveable Streets co-design workshops were organised to provide an opportunity for people to:

- Come up with / review ideas to deliver the scheme
- Hear what people said they want improved in the area, from the pre-engagement survey
- View the traffic and survey data that had been captured.

The workshops included two exercises; The first exercise concentrated on traffic management and cycle improvements and the second exercise looked at improving the pedestrian environment.

2.4 Exercise 1:

A map of the scheme area was created showing ideas to help attendees to discuss key issues and propose alternative measures. The ideas were based on the feedback received from the pre-engagement survey carried out during December and January and traffic and pedestrian surveys.

The ideas aimed to prevent rat running on residential roads and reduce traffic levels in residential areas through interventions such as road closures and one-way streets. These interventions would reduce the impact of traffic in the residential areas, improve air quality and make those streets safer and more appealing to walk or cycle. Attendees were asked to look at those ideas and suggest changes or anything that needed further consideration.

Workshop attendees were sat around tables and presented with the map so they could provide their opinions / suggestions on the current proposals by writing notes, highlighting suggestions or drawing on the map as they wished.

Each table was given a large map to ensure everyone had a clear visual of the proposals and a facilitator was allocated to each table to talk people through the background data provided and explain the rationale behind the initial ideas.

2.5 Exercise 2:

The second exercise focused on three main themes:

- Improving the pedestrian environment to encourage more walking and cycling
- Increasing accessibility to public transport
- Improve the look and feel of public spaces

People were asked to look at what they would like to see implemented in public spaces that were being created, encouraging them to think about paving, pocket parks, street furniture, lighting, planting etc.

2.6 Key Feedback:

Overall, there was very good support for creating more space for pedestrians and cyclists as well as making the area more aesthetically pleasing by utilising or improving areas already in situ. There were some recurring themes and points of discussion that came up throughout the two workshops which will be a point of focus during the next stage of design. These included the following:

- Improvements to Wapping Gardens. Suggestions included increasing the biodiversity, adding benches and sand for the pétanque to improve aesthetics.
- The speeding issue on Wapping High Street was addressed by many. They thought that using passive surveillance measures would help to reduce this.
- The lack of adequate lighting in St Johns Churchyard was discussed by several attendees.
- Improving the cycling facilities on both Thomas More Street, Vaughn Way and Wapping High Street was highly noted. This involved adding more cycle racks and changing parking bays into cycle lanes.
- Turning Vaughn Way into a one way street (North to south) was a popular idea which was also supported by the residents.
- Many of the Public Realm Improvement suggestions consisted of improving and maintaining existing areas such as spaces on Raine Street and Trench Street.

2.7 Next steps:

- All idea and suggestions will be looked at in more detail. They will then be used to create concept designs.
- The concept designs will then be submitted for a full public consultation later in 2019.

Tables 1, 2 & 3: Workshop comments and ideas

WORKSHOP 1				
Road Name	Exact Location	Problem	Categorisation	Ideas/Proposals
St Katherine's Way		Remove cobblestones	Cobblestones	
Wapping High Street		Remove cobblestones	Cobblestones	
Wapping High Street		Remove cobblestones	Cobblestones	
Clegg Street		Safety issues associated with car break ins	Crime	
Thomas More Street	Junction with Vaughan Way	Improve cycling movement	Cycling Improvements	Add a modal filter
Thomas More Street		Improve cycling facilities	Cycling Improvements	Remove parking bays and replace with cycling lanes
Vaughan Way		Improve cycling facilities	Cycling Improvements	Remove parking bays and replace with cycling lanes
Wapping High Street		Improve cycling facilities	Cycling Improvements	Add cycle racks here
Peartree Lane	Near Shadwell Basin	Blind corner here	Danger	Mirrors required
Shadwell Pier Head	Junction with Glamis Road	Poor visibility for cyclists emerging from the cycle path	Danger	Improve the cycle crossing. Add mirrors
Wapping Dock Street		Unsafe	Danger	Have crossings
Wapping High Street		Access to the beach through a ladder is dangerous	Danger	
Thomas More Street		No pavement due to parking spaces	Footway Improvements	
Wapping High Street	Junction with Brewhouse Lane	Narrow footway	Footway Improvements	
Wapping Wall		HGVs travelling here which causes noise issues	HGVs	
General			More Police	More police required
Wapping High Street	Junction with Red Mead Lane	Bad smell	Other	
The Highway	Between West Gardens and Garnet Street	Improve crossing timings	Pedestrian Crossing Times	
General		Playground developments	PRI - Children's playground	

Wapping Wall	In Shadwell Basin		PRI - Market	Open up the market again
Monza Street			Road Layout amendment	Possible diversion
Thomas More Street		Make this a one-way street (N-S). Residents were happy with this	Road Layout amendment	
Vaughan Way		Make this one-way	Road Layout amendment	
Wapping High Street		Speeding	Speeding	Introduce a speed limit
Wapping High Street	In St Johns Churchyard	Inadequate lighting	Street Lighting	Add street lights
The Highway	Junction with St Katharine's Way	Too much time spent on red light which causes congestion on the Highway	Traffic congestion	Light phasing required
General		100 Bus gets caught in traffic	Traffic congestion	
WORKSHOP 2				
Road Name	Exact Location	Problem	Categorisation	Ideas/Proposals
Wapping High Street	Junction with Reardon Path	Anti-social behaviour during late hours	ASB	
Mace Close	Bridge between Mace Close and Waterman Way	Cycle and pedestrian intervisibility and warning	Cycling Improvements	
Wapping Lane			Cycling Improvements	Add a cycle connection ramp
Queen Victoria Terrace	Side of Green Gables Montessori School	Narrow path	Footway Improvements	Widen the path
Wapping High Street		Narrow road with pavements	Footway Improvements	
Vaughan Way		Encourage people to use the pocket park	Other	
Reardon Path	In Wapping Gardens		PRI - Install benches to park	Add benches to the park
Wapping High Street	In Wapping Rose Gardens		PRI - Install benches to park	Add benches to the park
Reardon Path	In Wapping Gardens	Improve aesthetics	PRI - Install sand for pétanque	Add sand for the pétanque
Wapping Wall		Improve aesthetics	PRI - More planting	More greenery here

Reardon Path	In Wapping Greens		PRI - Outdoor Gym	Add outdoor gym as a meeting point
Prusom Street	In the park		PRI - Street Art	Engage with the local community to create art
Raine Street	North of Wapping Greens	Make use of the empty space	PRI - Utilise existing spaces	Have an events space similar to The Oval in Hackney
Reardon Path	In Wapping Gardens	Improve aesthetics	PRI - Utilise existing spaces	Increase the biodiversity by planting wildflowers
Tench Street		Empty space	PRI - Utilise existing spaces	Make use of the area besides John Orwell Sports Centre
Mace Close	Bridge between Mace Close and Waterman Way	Might get mopeds cutting through with bus gates	Rat-running	
WORKSHOP 3				
Road Name	Exact Location	Problem	Categorisation	Ideas/Proposals
Redmead Lane		Anti-social behaviour	ASB	Better lighting
Knighten Street	Junction of Sampson Street		PRI - Model park	Good idea
Knighten Street	Junction of Sampson Street		PRI - Model park	Pavements to improve alternative and green spaces
Wapping Station	Bus stop		PRI - Busses	Keep bus stop close to station entrance to provide shelter for single passengers late at night
The Highway	Suggested removal of left turn onto Glamis Road		Left turn	Not needed. Possible bus gate
The Highway	Suggested removal of left turn onto Glamis Road		Left turn	Left turn redundant when bus gate is installed
Chigwell Hill	Turning off the Highway		Rat-running	Potential rat run, possible bus gate
Wapping Lane		Speeding	Traffic	Narrow the road
Pennington Street	Junction of Artichoke Hill	Lorries parking on residential as no concrete bollards like other parts of the street	Parking	Concrete bollards which should be zig zag

The Highway	Suggested removal of left turn onto Glamis Road		Traffic	No thank you
Wapping Wall		Road closed on one end only	Traffic	
Wapping Wall	Near junction of Garnet Street			Put a pedestrian crossing
			PRI - Busses	Increase frequency service of bus 100
Wapping Wall			PRI - Utilise existing spaces	Put more greenery along this street and elsewhere
Wapping Station			PRI - Busses	Maybe move the bus stop west instead of east
Wapping Station			PRI - Pedestrians	Put a pedestrian crossing
			Cobblestones	All cobbled streets should be preserved as they are historical
Wapping High Street	Outside Captain Kidd pub	Pavements too narrow	PRI - Pedestrians	Wider pavements outside the pub
Wapping High Street	Proposed Bus Gate		Traffic	Residents and black cabs should be exempt. If not exempt, will increase traffic to find other ways to contradict proposed cycle route
Scandrett Street	Modal filter on Green Bank junction		Traffic	No
Hermitage Primary School			Cycling Improvements	Cycle parking
The Highway	Turning onto Vaughan Way		PRI - Pedestrians	Crossing improvements
Redmead Lane	Cycle route along Redmead Lane		Cycling Improvements	Check cycle route
Bushell Street			Cycling Improvements	Bike parking
Wapping Lane	North of Watts Street		PRI - Pedestrians	pedestrian crossing
Wapping Lane	North of Watts Street	Tight corner - can we look to make changes?	Traffic	One way direction priority

Wapping High Street	Between Dundee Street and Reardon Path	Narrow footway	PRI - Utilise existing spaces	Is it being developed?
Wapping Station	Crossing		PRI - Pedestrians	Maybe a zebra crossing?
Wapping Wall	Entrance onto Garnet Street	Busier side of the junction	PRI - Pedestrians	Need to look at potential crossing
Tyler Court	Wall along the canal	Blank wall	PRI - Utilise existing spaces	Art walls or veg and flowers
Wapping Green	Dark		Lighting	Street lamps
John Orwell Sports Centre			Lighting	Solar lights
Waterside Gardens	North side		PRI - Utilise existing spaces	Open up fence
The Highway	Thomas More Street junction		Cycling Improvements	Add in dedicated cycle lane
St Katherine's Way			Cobblestones	Remove cobblestones
Wapping High Street			Cobblestones	Remove cobblestones
			PRI - Pedestrians	Change priorities at lights in favour of pedestrians and in general make the lights longer to allow pedestrians time to cross
Pennington Street		Cluttered	PRI - Pedestrians	Wider pavements and trees
The Highway	The walkway between The Highway and Wapping Woods		PRI - Pedestrians	Better crossing for pedestrians with larger green lights
Wapping Woods			Cycling Improvements	Add in breaks for cyclists/runners
Thames Path	East of the Rotherhithe Tunnel		PRI - Pedestrians	Keep footpath open in dusk/dark hours for pedestrians
Wapping Station	Bus stops		PRI - Busses	Place dropped kerbs away from bus stops
Wapping Lane	Proposed continuous footway along south half of Wapping Lane		Danger	Differentiate the change from pavement to road as it can be dangerous if users are not aware that the

				pavement has become a road and just keep going without checking for traffic
Sampson Street	Round about on south end on junction of Wapping High Street		PRI - Utilise existing spaces	Remove railings
Wapping Station	Alleyway next to the station	Anti-social behaviour, urinating, litter, drug abuse	ASB	
Shadwell Basin			Litter	More bins
Wapping Wall			Litter	Improve rubbish management and disposal
Wapping Wall	Junction of The Highway		Cycling Improvements	Underpass needed when cycle events are on
St Pauls Church Shadwell	Green space behind church	Drink/drug abuse, camping, night fishing, anti-social behaviour, noise	ASB	