

Working in partnership



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Dear resident,

Alterations to Little London – temporary measures to boost cycling and walking

We are writing on behalf of the Isle of Wight Council to explain some forthcoming changes to the traffic arrangements in your area. The changes are being introduced for a trial period of 18-months to encourage safe cycling and to improve pedestrian safety.

The measures are part of a series of initiatives to promote these aims at a time when, because of the coronavirus pandemic, public transport is not running at full capacity. The moves will also, of course, encourage healthy ways of travelling.

These steps are being taken with money secured by the council from the Government's Active Travel Fund.

There are six schemes in total. Some involve only minor alterations to the highway, such as the removal/relocation of bollards and barriers to open up more space for pedestrians and cyclists, or the addition of convenient cycle racks.

The details of the scheme most affecting you, the prohibition of motor vehicles in Little London except for access to off street parking areas, are outlined below. In effect this will prevent Little London being used as a through-road requiring vehicles to use other nearby and more suitable routes.

Little London, Newport – Prohibition of Motor Vehicles.

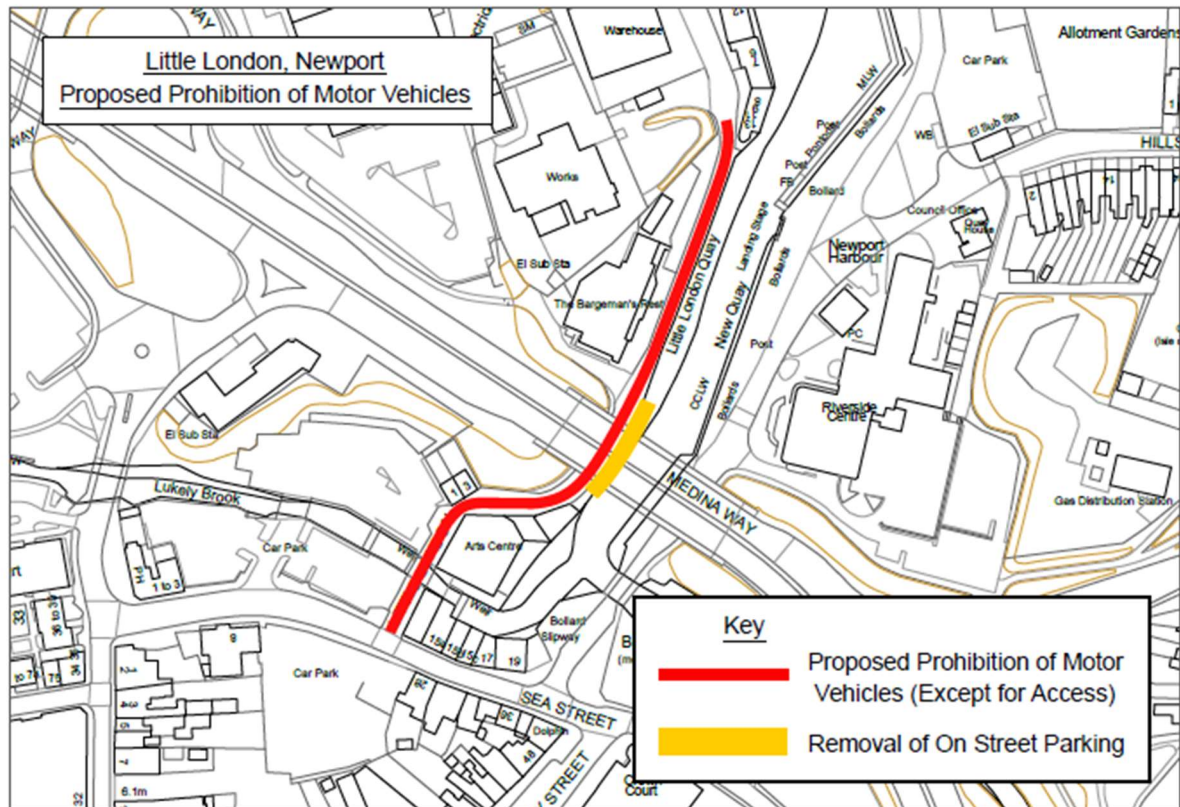
The scheme involves the introduction of a prohibition of motor vehicles (except for access to off street parking areas) with the addition of advanced direction signs on 'Riverway' to warn drivers of the prohibition ahead. The existing section of carriageway between The Bargeman's Rest and Quay Arts will have double yellow lines, on both sides of the road, over its entire length, to create a safer cycling environment.

It is estimated the work will take up to 2-3 days and will not require a full road closure.

Parked cars will have to be removed from the location during this period. Island Roads will remove any vehicles that remain on the carriageway within the road closure and relocate them to a safe alternative location nearby. In these circumstances, you can locate your vehicle by contacting our help desk on 01983 822440. Please note that Island Roads has the authority to remove vehicles in these circumstances from the carriageway and costs may be charged to the registered keeper if a vehicle has to be relocated.

Further details on the timing of works will be displayed on information boards in the location prior to work commencing. Please also see illustration below.

Work is currently scheduled to begin on Monday 14 September.



We recognise that these works may cause some inconvenience for local residents and businesses, but we hope any disruption will be offset by the improvements we are making. We would like to thank you in advance for your assistance in enabling us to complete these works.

If you have any queries then please do email us at info@islandroads.com or call our helpdesk on 01983 822440.

Thank you!