

Hackney Living Streets Campaign Manifesto 2018

We call on the political parties to:

- 1.** Create **low-traffic** residential and local shopping **neighbourhoods** using modal filters (eg. bollards or planters) to prevent rat-running so residents and shoppers can enjoy these spaces on foot by wheelchair or wheeling a buggy.
- 2.** Create **inclusive public realm environments** where children, older and disabled people, and those pushing buggies or trolleys feel secure and comfortable. This includes better signage for pedestrians, widening footways, removing obstructions, providing continuous footways across side road junctions and raised table level crossings with tactile warnings.
- 3.** A **public health campaign**, focused on schools, GPs' surgeries and community centres etc, showing consequences of motor traffic, air pollution and lack of active travel leading to obesity and ill-health.
- 4.** Support the Mayor of London's commitment to a **Vision Zero approach** to reducing road danger to eliminate all fatalities and serious injuries on the road by 2041 while encouraging and facilitating walking. This will include
 - a.** improvements to pedestrian infrastructure, including more and improved crossings that prioritise pedestrians and phasing out mini-roundabouts.
 - b.** enforcement of traffic regulations, especially a 20 mph limit.
- 5.** A **target of reallocating 20% of vehicle parking spaces** to provide space for trees, planters, benches, social spaces, cycle parking and cycling; pay for these by increasing the cost of parking, especially for visitors and households with second cars. Enable residents to set up **parklets** on every street in the Borough
- 6.** Introduce (or expand the number of) **'school streets'** (closure of roads near schools at beginning and end of school day) on all unclassified roads where there are schools.
- 7.** Facilitate **car-free days** (or weeks) on stretches of busy shopping streets. In particular, Broadway Market should have a week-long car-free festival over the summer.
- 8.** **Cycling infrastructure** is welcome and should improve pedestrian amenity. Cycle lanes should provide permeability (and level surfaces) to allow pedestrians to cross the road at frequent intervals. Pedestrian priority should be provided at key locations such as bus stop bypasses and within parks particularly at footway crossings within parks.
- 9.** Have a **Walking and Cycling conference** in Hackney.