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Subject: FW: LB Lewisham COVID-19 mitigation measures - for comment 1 of 2
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FYI – response to COVID measures in Lee Green.

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 23 June 2020 14:39
To: Learner, Josh
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: LB Lewisham COVID-19 mitigation measures - for comment 1 of 2

Hi Josh

I have had a look at the proposed maps and plans of the restrictions and have a number of points that need to be raised;

- The coffin bollards that are planned these cannot be locked, as previously communicated, ambulance vehicles or staff do not carry any sort of keys for these devices, in addition the delay caused by stopping and having to physically lower these bollards can be detrimental to patient safety, especially if some has stopped breathing or bleeding heavily. Operationally we have 500+ vehicles operational at any point during the day and any of these vehicles could be dispatched to the call if they are the nearest or specialist response making keys a logistical nightmare.



- All signage both on street level and on the road should make it clear that access is for emergency vehicles as well as buses/cycles etc.
- Concerns that the closure of numerous side roads from Manor Lane would create significant delays diverting around the closures if the South Circular and A20 are heavily congested.
- The proposed narrowing of Burnt Ash Lane would not create cross Borough delays for crews when responding to calls and conveying patients to hospital, as the aim of these schemes is to navigate through traffic onto the already heavily congested trunk road network.
- Where roads only have one way in and out, sufficient turning space would be needed for ambulances to turn around quickly which out mean enforcing parking bay closures or creating dedicated turning areas in each side road effected so crews can make a swift egress from the scene of calls, especially when they have a time critical patient. Things like overhanging trees and other obstructions would need management to ensure an unhindered egress.
- Should an incident, like an road traffic accident, occur on one of these restricted road or roads with closures on them further delays are like to occur as all traffic will be stuck trying to navigate the closures.
- The existing barriers already create problems with crews responding to calls, further restrictions will compound this issue.
- Crews conveying patients to Lewisham hospital from this area will be delayed due to restrictions and use a number of these routes to navigate around the congested trunk roads in order to get patients to hospital quickly. Restrictions are likely to increase the ambulance journey times and job

cycles meaning they will be unavailable longer before they can attend the next 999 call. We are not commissioned to increase our ambulance cover as a result of additional road closures. This could create delays in responding to 999 calls and ultimately patient safety.

- Other health and social care providers, not just emergency ambulances, use these routes to reach their patients and clients have the schemes been shared with Lewisham Hospital, Local CCG and social care/domiciliary care teams? ANPR enforcement may need to take these providers needs into consideration also?

The use of ANPR cameras to issue PCN for unauthorised drivers seems to a very positive step and best way to keep roads from be obstructed, which I am glad to be seen in these plans. Would there be any consideration to expending these to include the other roads that are planned to have the bollards fitted to prevent delays and the key issue?

Things that need to be considered when planning projects;

- *It is not acceptable to delay the ambulances reaching address or 999 calls within a restricted traffic area, as any delay could result in death or permanent injury to a patient. HM Coroner has issued prevent future death notices regarding these issues previously, so any scheme must easily allow emergency vehicle access at all times during operation. I have attached the PFD notice from the Leeds Head Coroner.*
- *An obstruction of emergency services could also be considered as obstruction under the Emergency Workers (Obstruction) Act 2006. So measures must be put in place to ensure equal access to all services.*

<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2006/39/section/1>

Another point is that on the web link it states response times for emergency services have improved due these measures, I would be very interested to discover this data was sourced from?

Happy to discuss any of the concerns further.

Thank you sending the details across.

Kind Regards

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From: Learner, Josh [<mailto:xxxx.xxxxxxx@xxxxxxxx.xxx.xx>]

Sent: 23 June 2020 13:50

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: RE: LB Lewisham COVID-19 mitigation measures - for comment 1 of 2

Hi [REDACTED]

I'll have to do in two separate batches then.

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 23 June 2020 13:48

To: Learner, Josh

Subject: RE: LB Lewisham COVID-19 mitigation measures - for comment

Hi Josh

I hope you are well; I have not received any plans, the emails have come through but no attachments or plans?

Apologies

[REDACTED]

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From: Learner, Josh [<mailto:Josh.Learner@lewisham.gov.uk>]

Sent: 23 June 2020 13:42

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]

Subject: RE: LB Lewisham COVID-19 mitigation measures - for comment

Hi [REDACTED]

Can you confirm you received these plans?

Thanks,

Josh

From: Learner, Josh

Sent: 19 June 2020 16:24

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: FW: LB Lewisham COVID-19 mitigation measures - for comment

Hi [REDACTED]

Hopefully you receive this email as the previous one was too big for your inbox.

Thanks,

Josh

From: Learner, Josh

Sent: 19 June 2020 16:00

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]

Subject: LB Lewisham COVID-19 mitigation measures - for comment

Dear [REDACTED]

Please find our COVID-19 proposals for the Lee Green area attached for comment. Due to political obligations we will be installing these measures from the week commencing 29th June but we are open to receiving comments ahead of this date.

Please note that all emergency service routes locations will be camera enforced to allow for access apart from Leahurst Road which already has an existing gate. The non-emergency service/bus routes will have droppable bollards in case emergency access is required.

If there is anything you would like clarifying please don't hesitate getting in touch.

Best,

Josh Learner



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