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CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT, TRANSPORT & REGENERATION Councillor Stuart King - Job Share		
CQ015-20	Councillor Simon Hoar S	outhern Avenue and Lancaster Road
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#### **CQ015-20 from Councillor Hoar**

## **Councillor Stuart King**

"Healthy Streets - There is a petition in South Norwood against the closure of Southern Avenue and Lancaster Road because of the knock on congestion problems caused."

Having lived in a flat above shops for many years myself I understand the value of being able to access outside space but now as we exit lock down and traffic levels rise as businesses try to restart and commuters get to work, how will you measure if residents, not just of the road but of the wider community, want the restrictions removed to save gridlock in the town?"

## Reply

The Council has set up a Streetspace Initiative web site which provides information on this programme of works and gives the opportunity for local residents and road users to provide their feedback. This can be accessed at: <a href="http://www.croydon.gov.uk/csip">http://www.croydon.gov.uk/csip</a>

All these closures have been introduced on a temporary / experimental basis and the views of local residents and road users will be monitored most carefully to determine whether these measures should be introduced permanently, amended, or will need to be removed.

I understand that closing local access roads will result in rat-running traffic having to use the main road network. But arguably, this is where this traffic should be. I appreciate that this may mean that some journey times may be slightly longer, but it is hoped that this will be outweighed by the improvements that can be provided within the local residential areas. It is also hoped that residents will feel more able to choose an active mode of transport rather than taking the car. Many journeys are local and are within easy distance of either walking or cycling, allowing our residents to exercise, keep fit and healthy.

#### CQ016-20 from Councillor Hoar

### **Councillor Stuart King**

"In the covid response cabinet report in May, the healthy streets initiative was announced to close of one end of various roads in the Borough.

In the report it said that 31 locations had already been identified. However, only 13 have been listed such as at Albert Road and Holmesdale Road.

Despite asking five times for the full list of sites I am still trying to find out where the full 31 identified sites are, have they been dropped from Healthy Streets and is it the intention to keep these road closures in place?"

# Reply

The 31 sites originally identified are as follows.

- 1. A point closure on Lancaster Road at its junction with Southern Avenue
- 2. A point closure on Warminster Road at its junction with Lancaster Road
- 3. A point closure on Auckland Road (north) at its junction with Cypress Road
- 4. A point closure on Woodvale Avenue at its junction with Avenue Road
- 5. A point closure on Albert Road at its junction with Eldon Park Road
- 6. A point closure on Albert Road at its junction with Harrington Road
- 7. A point closure on Holmesdale Road (west stadium side) at its junction with Park Road
- 8. A point closure on Holmesdale Road (east opposite stadium) at its junction with Park Road
- 9. A point closure on Holmesdale Road (east) at its junction with Oliver Grove
- 10. A point closure on Elmers Road at its junction with Blackhorse Lane
- 11. A point closure on Dalmally Road at its junction with Blackhorse Lane
- 12. A point closure on Kemerton Road at its junction with Jesmond Road
- 13. A point closure on Sutherland Road at its junction with Canterbury Road
- 14. A point closure on Holmesdale Road junction with Whitworth Road
- 15. A point closure on Princess Road junction with Whitehorse Road
- 16. A point closure on Sylvan Hill junction with Auckland Road
- 17. A point closure on Stambourne Way junction with Auckland Road

- 18. A point closure on Fox Hill junction with Tudor Road
- 19. A point closure on Apsley Road junction with Albert Road
- 20. A point closure on Belfast Road junction with Albert Road
- 21. A point closure on Alfred Road junction with Crowther Road
- 22. A point closure on Rockmount Road junction with Chevening Road
- 23. A point closure on Beaumont Road junction with Convent Hill
- 24. A point closure on Clifton Road junction with Wooderson
- 25. A point closure on Sangley Road junction with Park Road
- 26. A point closure on Mowbray Road junction with Maberley Road
- 27. A point closure on Woodside Avenue junction with Portland Road
- 28. A point closure on Estcourt Road junction with Spring Lane
- 29. A point closure on Northcote Road junction with The Crescent
- 30. A point closure on Mayo Road junction with Princess Road
- 31. A point closure on Howard Road junction with Woodside Green

Unfortunately funding has not been forthcoming from Transport for London to introduce all these closures and we have so far only introduced 13. As outlined on the Council's Streetspace Initiative web site, all these closures have been introduced on a temporary / experimental basis and will be monitored most carefully to determine whether they can be introduced permanently, amended, or will need to be removed.