Agenda item 9

Heavitree and Whipton Low Traffic Neighbourhood project

Exeter Hatoc 15th July 2022



What are Low Traffic Neighbourhoods









Research illustrating the effect of traffic on social interaction. Source Donald Appleyard (kottke.org)

Low Traffic Neighbourhood Impact

Statistics from 4 London LTNs

- Roads inside traffic reduced 45%
- Boundary roads increase of 5% average



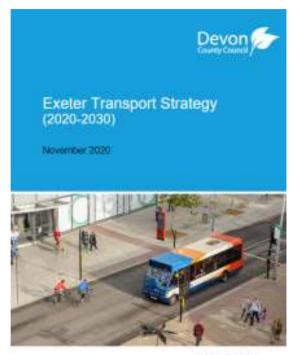
• Overall total decline in traffic of 10%, increase in active travel 50%

Sources:

Living streets: <u>Impact of 2020 Low Traffic Neighbourhoods in London</u>
Sustrans – <u>A guide to the evidence around Low Traffic Neighbourhoods</u>

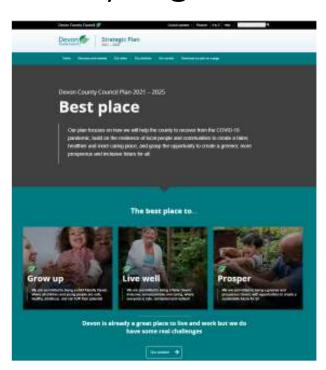


Devon County Council LTN Strategic and Policy alignment









promoting more opportunities for active travel

Why Heavitree and Whipton LTN



November/December 2020 area wide public consultation held which identified key issues affecting streets in Heavitree & Whipton:

- Traffic has a negative effect on the attractiveness of the area
- Walking and cycling is not given priority over cars and other traffic
- Parking significantly contributes to pollution

Heavitree and Whipton consultation phase 2



Phase 2: September/ October 2021: approx. 1400 responses

Traffic filter options:

Option 1: North-South

Option 2: North-South

Option 3: East-West

Option 4: Combination of all

Full maps and consultation material available on website devon.cc/exeterstreets









Promotion of the consultations

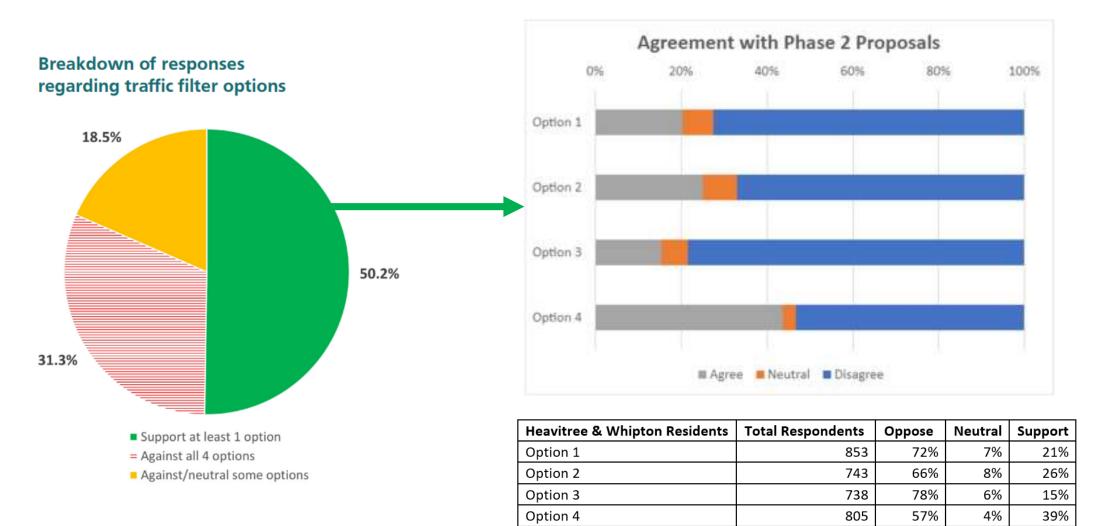
- Online Social media
- Offline (press releases, newsletters)
- Businesses, churches, community groups, schools
- Posters on lamp posts and in shop windows
- Outreach (events)
- Webinar
- Word of mouth!



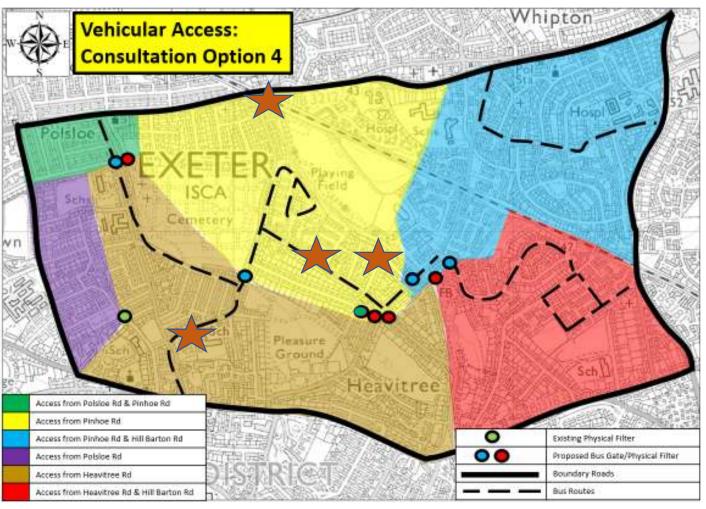
Thank you to everyone who has taken part in the consultation so far. It has provided us with some really valuable information on how we can make your streets better for everyone. The consultation ends on Friday 18th December, so please share your views if you haven't already done so.



Feedback received Phase 2 consultation



Phase 2 consultation



Frequently raised comments (for option 4):

- Access to Heavitree Fore Street from the Chard Road/ Sweetbrier Lane area should be retained
- The proposed Hamlin Lane filter should be moved North
- The proposals could cause difficulties accessing the South Lawn Medical Practice
- Recent discussions held with residents of Whiteway drive regarding access to boundary roads

Next steps

- Develop a revised option based on the feedback received
- Engage with stakeholders
 - Blue light services
 - Carers
 - Disability groups
 - Taxi companies
- Develop a bespoke communication and signing plan for a possible future trial
- Continue traffic monitoring
- Update Hatoc at a future meeting



Thank you for listening

Further information

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