

## Central London Sub-Regional Transport Partnership (CLS RTP)

### Purpose

CLS RTP is a collective of senior transport specialists from ten central London boroughs, convened by Cross River Partnership (CRP) on behalf of Transport for London (TfL).

The partnership delivers a wide range of **collaborative and innovative outcomes** for boroughs and TfL alike. In many instances it trials initiatives before wider roll-out.

As well as Local Authorities and Strategic Bodies such as Transport for London, CRP also counts amongst its membership 18 private sector business organisations which sit on the CRP Board alongside Local Authorities. CRP has been able to increase the impact of the work of CLS RTP by involving BIDs as well as Local Authorities in its delivery.

### CLS RTP Membership

Under CRP's stewardship, during 2018/19 CLS RTP membership grew from 8 to 10 central London Local Authorities. The recent additions are the London Boroughs of Hackney and Lewisham.



### 2019 / 20 CLS RTP Outputs

- **Parking assessment framework** providing a uniform tool for boroughs to support consistent design, monitoring and evaluation of parking interventions, thereby maximising the understanding and acceptance of parking management interventions.
- Trial of **noise monitoring equipment** at delivery points for commercial premises to support shift to well-managed, off peak deliveries. (ongoing at time of writing)
- Development of a **toolkit for estimating motor traffic demand**, suitable for identifying locations for traffic reduction measures and **validating low traffic neighbourhood proposals** (ongoing at time of writing)
- Support for **Central London Freight Quality Partnership** bringing boroughs and freight industry together for constructive communication.
- Study on **enabling last mile cycle logistics**, including assessment of design requirements and applicability of global examples for London, including a shortlist of trials ready for rapid implementation.

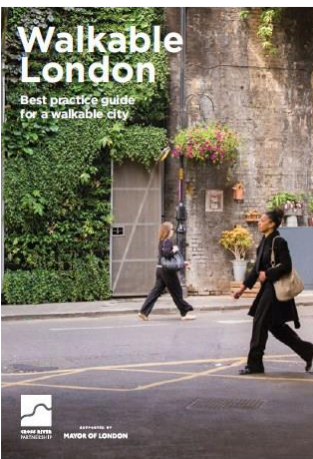


## 2020/21 programme

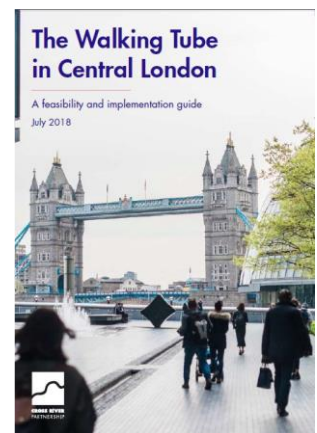
Prior to the start of the Covid-19 related lockdown, the partnership had prepared a proposed programme of activities for 2020/21, any of which could be commenced or developed rapidly:

- Central London **Freight Area Management Plan**
- **Dockless cycle management** co-ordination (further practical implementation of London Councils sub-group on adoption of byelaw)
- **Cycle logistics for servicing trial**
- Review of **demand responsive public transport** services for Inner London boroughs
- **Climate change emergency transport actions**: forum for horizon scanning and thought leadership generation
- Feasibility of technologies for cost effective upgrade of tube **station accessibility** (measures outside scope of TfL major upgrades)

## Earlier Outputs



- Implementation guide for the **Walking Tube** map
- **Cycle Logistics** review as featured at the London Walking and Cycling conference hosted by the London Borough of Hackney and City of London Corporation
- Best practice guidance on borough **Vision Zero** activities
- Installation of **cycle repair stations** at publicly accessible sites



- Support to communicate between the **Go Ultra Low City Scheme** and TfL, London Councils and boroughs
- A capacity study of the existing electric grid supply and current / future demand from borough depots with a view to pro-actively supporting the transition to **Electric Vehicle Fleets**
- Review of **Funding Innovations** for borough transport projects, addressing the evolving nature of funding priorities and streams
- Review of effectiveness of **20mph** introduction



## Benefits

The partnership boroughs benefit from a dedicated resource to coordinate information exchange on **innovative policy and delivery ideas** from within their own councils, for example dealing with the high **pedestrian demand for kerb space** related to Crossrail, and introduction of temporary and **timed closures** such as 'lunchtime streets' and 'school street zones'. These issues are being addressed again through the partnership in the context of the new Streetspace for London response.

Co-ordination from CRP also provides significant added value for the partnership.

## Added Value from CRP

There are a number of ways in which CRP adds significant extra value through its management of the CLSRTP on behalf of TfL, including:

- **Extra Financial Resources** levered into central London by CRP to be spent on transport-related outcomes e.g. £741,193 from the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs through the **Clean Air Villages** programmes, addressing poor air quality hotspots by working with businesses and communities to make deliveries and servicing more efficient.
- **Cross-sector collaborative working** stimulated by CRP e.g. borough transport officers introduced to / and delivering projects with, colleagues from other departments e.g. air quality, environment, energy, art, health.
- **Access to specialised CRP staff** to deliver outcomes / offer impartial advice e.g. electricity grid capacity knowledge, freight management.
- CRP's online tools which support active travel such as the [Clean Air Route Finder](#)
- **Alignment with Healthy Streets Approach** through CRP's **Healthy Streets Everyday** programme. The programme unites 17 London Boroughs to help coordinate and facilitate the implementation of Streetscape Improvements, School Streets, Play Streets and Car Free Events.
- **25 years of innovation firsts** helping London achieve its aim of cleaner air and greener travel. Co-ordinated by CRP, the Smart Urban Electric Logistics programme developed new charging technology allowing commercial depots to adopt electric delivery vehicles without upgrading the existing grid network.
- **Promoting green suppliers and small businesses** via [Ultra Low Emission Supplier Directory](#). An initiative from CRP's Clean Air Villages programme.
- **Zero cost sustainable delivery trials** for businesses wishing to explore alternative delivery methods. Solutions have included **6 shared cargo-bike schemes** and **2 shared electric van trials** across London.
- **Not just road transport:** CRP's **Clean Air Thames** project aims to deliver air quality improvements along the River Thames by retrofitting up to 11 vessels.

