

# Pollution Patrolling:

A novel way of monitoring pollution in the London Borough of Richmond Upon Thames



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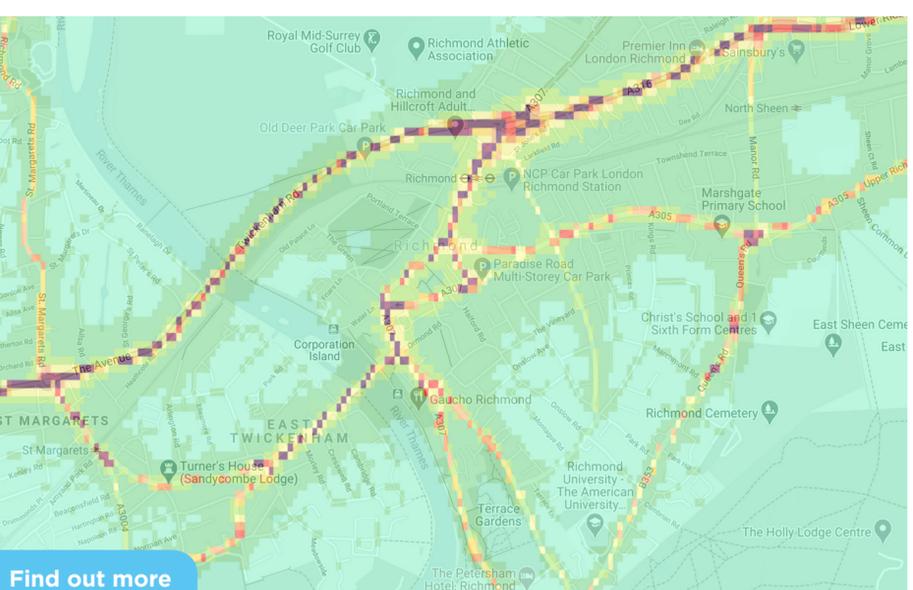
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To celebrate [Clean Air Day](#) on the 8th of October 2020, the [London Borough of Richmond Upon Thames](#) launched an innovative addition to their air quality monitoring programme. As part of the borough's fight against pollution, they decided to purchase small, wearable air quality monitoring devices to be used by the community. This will help to provide a detailed, localised picture of air quality and pollution across the borough, helping to improve understanding and inform future policies and decision making. [Cross River Partnership's Healthy Streets Everyday \(HSE\)](#) Programme funded 26 of the personal air quality monitoring devices that will be used across Richmond Upon Thames.

“ The new roving air quality monitors will help us have a more in-depth understanding of the challenge ahead and understand where our hotspots are. This is another example of our unwavering commitment to tackle air pollution and promote a cleaner and healthier environment for all of our residents.

**Councillor Alexander Ehmann, Chair of the Transport and Air Quality Committee for the London Borough of Richmond Upon Thames**

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Credit: London Air Quality Network

## What is a Clean Air Day?



Clean Air Day is the UK's largest air pollution campaign. It aims to improve public understanding of air pollution and build awareness of how air pollution affects our health. Led by [Global Action Plan](#), Clean Air Day brings together communities, businesses and schools to help explain the actions we can all take to improve air quality and help protect both the environment and our health.

## The Impact



Data to inform future policies and decision making



Improved understanding of pollution across the borough



**26**

air quality monitoring devices funded by HSE



[Personal pollution monitor](#)

Credit: Breathe Safe Air

## What is the Healthy Streets Everyday Programme?

Cross River Partnership's Healthy Streets Everyday Programme is a 3-year cross-sector project that is funded by the [Mayor's Air Quality Fund](#). The project aims to deliver pedestrian-priority healthy streets, increase walking rates and reduce emissions and exposure to toxic air pollution.

The programme is also helping to supplement London's COVID response by creating streets that can accommodate and encourage increases in sustainable and active travel, and that are pleasant, safe places that all Londoners can safely enjoy.

[For more information please visit CRP's Healthy Streets Everyday webpage.](#)



## Project Partners

Cross River Partnership is proud to be working with the following Local Authorities and other partners.

