ELYSIA CATERING USES CARGO BIKE TO SAVE TIME AND EMISSIONS

Caterer reduces impact on air pollution whilst improving reliability and staff wellbeing

“We’ve been committed to running a sustainable business from the start, so it only felt natural to extend this to our deliveries.”

Sophie André - Founder and Director, Elysia Catering

ISSUE ACTION

Courier and taxi services used were not always reliable Purchased a cargo bike through the Zero Emissions Network

High cost from using 15-20 taxis per week

Wished to be more sustainable throughout Now use a cargo bike to transport food and equipment to events

RESULTS

803.1kg of CO₂ emissions saved per year

1.07kg of NOx emissions saved per year

58.8g of PM2.5 emissions saved per year

More reliable deliveries for customers

Improved staff health and wellbeing associated with cycling

Sense of community among businesses using cargo bikes

Cargo bike is stable and easy to ride meaning staff feel safe travelling around London
WHAT IS THE **CLEAN AIR VILLAGES** PROGRAMME?

A Central Government-funded programme which aims to enable and support businesses to reduce emissions from deliveries of goods and services whilst saving them time and money. In its second year (2019-20) the project worked across 13 air pollution ‘hotspots’ (villages) within seven London boroughs. In 2020-21 the project is expanding into new areas as part of Clean Air Villages 3.

For more information, please visit: [www.crossriverpartnership.org/projects/clean-air-villages-2](http://www.crossriverpartnership.org/projects/clean-air-villages-2)

As part of Clean Air Villages we work with businesses and Local Authorities to find out how they can be part of the solution to improving air quality.

Which solutions could work for you?

- Switching to an electric vehicle
- Using a cargo bike to deliver
- Consolidating your suppliers
- Installing electric vehicle charging points
- Featuring on our CRP Clean Air Villages Directory

[Cross River Partnership](http://www.crossriverpartnership.org) is proud to have delivered the second year of this Defra-funded project with the following Local Authorities, Business Improvement District and Landowner:

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**Villages**

- Deptford High Street
- Lewisham Town Centre
- Hatton Garden
- Euston Road
- Covent Garden/Strand
- Fulham Town Centre
- Shepherds Bush
- Earl’s Court
- Ladbroke Grove
- Cadogan
- Brixton
- Streatham Hill
- Tooting