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Welcome to Cross River Partnership's Fortnightly Update

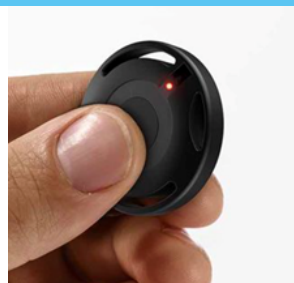


Central London Sub-Regional Transport Partnership round-up

The [Central London Sub-Regional Transport Partnership](#) (CLS RTP), co-ordinated by [Cross River Partnership](#) on behalf of [TfL](#), comprises the transport officers from ten central boroughs. Throughout the COVID-19 crisis, they have all been working exceptionally hard to respond to the fast-changing environment. We have been extremely pleased to continue to provide a (*virtual*) space for the group to share best practice on a regular basis, and would like to recognise the work their teams are doing to help deliver TfL's [Streetspace](#) programme at record speeds. They have developed ambitious projects to support a variety of needs, including additional footway space for physical distancing, low traffic streets for safer walking and cycling, continued priority access for essential public transport use, and latterly unlocking space for economic activity.

We look forward to continuing to see and support our partners as they bring forward initiatives for safe and active travel.

Thank you to [Tom Linton-Smith](#) for his work facilitating [CLS RTP](#), [EFLES](#) and other programmes at CRP - we wish him the all the best for the next stage of his career! CRP looks forward to continuing to work with the CLS RTP boroughs.



Noise Monitoring Project Begins

As some businesses come back to a new normal, CRP are ready to monitor changes in terms of quiet streets and cleaner air. The Freight Noise Monitoring Study, part of the [Central London Sub-Regional Transport Partnership](#), has now commenced, partnering with [EMSOL](#). The innovative noise monitoring technology has been installed at our test site in London.

CRP are currently recruiting businesses to take part in the study, with a range of different sectors and vehicles to be involved. The study will be the first of its kind, focusing on monitoring of delivery points and helping landowners, freight operators and local authorities to test best practice in relation to quiet deliveries. The study will collect data through a two-month period and conclude in a report. Keep your eyes and ears peeled for more information in the coming months!

For more information, please contact CRP Senior Project Officer Laura Jacklin, laurajacklin@crossriverpartnership.org

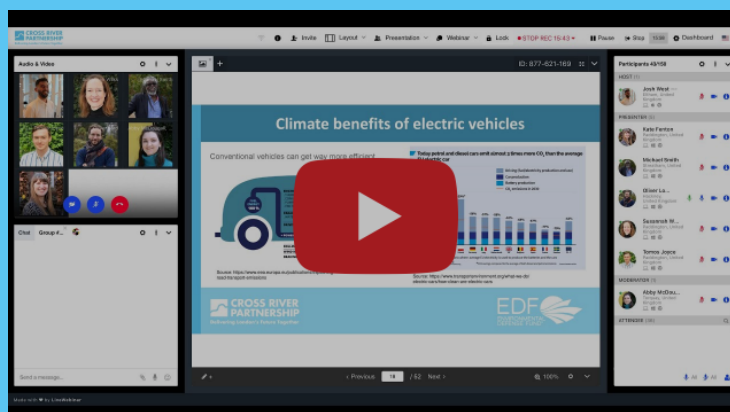


Cross River Partnership's LiveShare sessions - Keep Informed!

We are now over a quarter of the way through our programme of 16 LiveShares and we would like to thank all of those who have attended them so far! We have been joined by experts from across the industries of transport, business, health and environment to discuss a range of topics to help facilitate knowledge sharing, highlighting best practice examples.

We will be continuing to bring industry experts together and our next LiveShare on **Thursday August 13th, 2pm** will be no exception! This session will discuss **Pedestrian Priority Streets: The Benefits for Schools, Businesses and your Health** where we will be joined by [Global Action Plan](#), [City of Westminster](#) and our very own [Healthy Streets Everyday](#) programme. This will be your one stop shop, answering some of the questions you may have regarding implementing Pedestrian Priority Streets within your local authorities and neighbourhoods. To reserve your space, **sign up [here](#)!** We hope to see you very soon!

For more information, please contact CRP Guidance Manager Tomos Joyce, tomosjoyce@crossriverpartnership.org



All of our LiveShares are posted on our [YouTube channel](#) for you to view and share whenever you like. Watch our latest LiveShare session - **Ditch Diesel: Your Electric Vehicle Options Explained**



Westminster City Council Seminar

CRP was very pleased to present at a dedicated [Westminster City Council Clean Air Villages](#) webinar on Tuesday 28th July. It was inspiring to hear questions from across the different Council Departments, as well as share ideas on how we can further improve air quality and carbon emissions across Westminster and beyond by working collaboratively. If you'd like to watch the recording of the event, please click [here](#). You can also see the presentation slides [here](#).

For more information about the CRP projects and tools that were discussed during the webinar, please click the relevant links below:

- [Clean Air Villages 3](#)
- [Clean Air Villages 2 case studies](#)
- [CRP Clean Air Villages Directory](#)
- [Healthy Streets Everyday](#)
- [Hackney School Streets Hotline](#)
- [Creating Parklets for Community and Business Resilience – Your Project Guide](#)
- [Clean Air Walking Route Finder](#)

[Read more here](#)

Wider Impacts of the project will be to:

				
Create new revenue streams and reduce operational costs for EV fleet operators.	Accelerate the rapid electrification of commercial fleets.	Support a more sustainable and resilient energy network.	Encourage wider EV take-up by improving access to rapid chargers.	Reduce emissions from transport and improve air quality in London and beyond.

For more information visit: crossriverpartnership.org/projects/ev-fleet-centred-local-energy-system

EFLES is a one-year project which commenced in May 2020 and is funded by Innovate UK's Industrial Strategy Challenge Fund: Prospering from the Energy Revolution.

Understanding the Impact of Local Energy Systems

A whole calendar quarter has already passed on CRP's [Electric Vehicle Fleet-centred Local Energy System](#) (EFLES) programme, giving us a chance to reflect on all the work done in designing the solution, and thinking ahead to what its wider impacts may be. With the energy and transport sectors supporting each other through an integrated systems approach, we hope this technology can support the rapid acceleration in electric vehicle fleet vehicle adoption with the associated environmental savings that can unlock. We've developed a [postcard](#) to help explain just how. The project is part of the [Industrial Strategy Challenge Fund's Prospering from the Energy Revolution](#) challenge, and is a partnership with [UK Power Networks Services](#), [UPS](#) and [Moixa](#).

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Consolidating New Covent Garden Market Deliveries

Just as the [New Covent Garden Market](#) (NCGM) consolidation trial was set to go ahead for [Clean Air Villages 2](#), the lockdown was imposed and the trial was hence put on hold. We are happy to note that the market and suppliers are getting back to their routine. With this good news, we are working on the possibility of restarting the trial for [Clean Air Villages 3](#) with our partners from the market and [ecofleet](#).

Although we are excited to be discussing this trial again, it is important to make sure that the trial comes at a good time for the suppliers as they have had to make changes to their operations coming out of lockdown. Hence, we are sensitive to the current situation and want to ensure businesses have the flexibility to reconvene on the trial. For more updates from NCGM, please see [here](#).

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Improving Air Quality? It Takes a Village!

CRP's [Clean Air Villages 3 \(CAV3\)](#) project is in its third year running and the team is excited to be working with both familiar and new areas of London. From [Seven Sisters](#) to [South Bank](#), from [Holloway Road](#) to [Richmond](#) Town Centre, the CAV3 Project Officers are working across lots of London's neighbourhoods – all in the name of better air quality.

Excitingly, this year's participating villages are focusing on some of London's busiest Business Improvement Districts, central-city communities and two hospitals. The CAV3 Project Officers have been developing their village-specific solutions to air quality problems, as well as planning an expansion of the Clean Air Walking Routes to the new areas. The [Clean Air Villages Directory](#) has been expanded to include all CAV3 sites in order to provide businesses with an array of low or zero emission services and deliveries.

For more information, please contact CRP CAV Project Manager Kate Fenton, katefenton@crossriverpartnership.org

[Read more here](#)



CRP Walking Meetings

The [CRP team](#) are still working hard remotely, respecting the desk capacity constraints at our hosting accountable body [Westminster City Council](#). In order to reduce screen fatigue and support the health and wellbeing of our staff, we have started incorporating Walking Meetings into our regular schedules. The CRP team are also able to tap into support from [Westminster City Council's Health and Wellbeing Hub](#) whenever they need it.

The CRP Team Walking Meetings have provided a great outlet for the team to share information, keep in close touch, feel connected and to get some exercise. At one recent meeting participants joined from a Park in Lewisham, a Garden in Kent, a Lake-side cycle path, and even a Vineyard in Switzerland! Susannah just about remembered all of the Actions Agreed to include in the notes afterwards!

For more information please contact CRP's Director Susannah Wilks, susannahwilks@crossriverpartnership.org



#CycleToWorkDay

[Cycle to Work Day](#) is the UK's biggest cycle commuting event, which took place on 6th August this year. With many of us continuing to work from home, why not go on a bike ride before or after work! We have come up with 7 top tips which may be of use to those starting out with cycling from lockdown, or a refresher for the more experienced cyclist.

1. Take part in some cycle training ([TfL free training is available for all abilities](#)).
2. Adapt for the seasons – check the weather, invest in a good waterproof! And make sure you're always visible and illuminated, especially in the early Autumn evenings.
3. E-bikes are a good option if your journey is longer. Take a look at the [CRP Clean Air Villages Directory](#) for some great bike suppliers.
4. Look at where other cyclists are heading and don't cycle right next to the pavement or on drain covers.
5. Keep hydrated!

6. Find a cycle buddy to help build confidence.
7. Check out the cycle parking at your work space.

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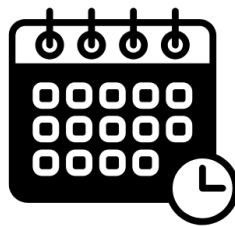
International Youth Day - Youth Global Action

[International Youth Day](#) is [United Nations](#) (UN) initiative, celebrated annually on 12th August since 1999. The day promotes the education and awareness of young people among their responsibility as representatives of the future of the planet. Currently, through the Global Action for Youth, the UN encourages political actions and guidelines that support the improvement in the quality of life of young people around the world.

This year, the event "Youth Engagement for Global Action" will happen in a Podcast format in order to reinforce the importance of youth leadership in the face of current challenges, such as climate issues and [COVID-19](#). With a focus on youth action at both local, national and global levels, the event aims to think of ways and strategies to improve youth representation and engagement in formal institutional policy by increasing democracy, contributing to better and more sustainable policies and promoting the restoration of trust in public institutions, especially amongst young people. Access the event [here](#)!

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Dates for the Diary:



- 12th August. International Youth Day. More information [here](#).
- 13th August, 2pm. Pedestrian Priority Streets: Benefits for Schools, Businesses and your Health. CRP. Register [here](#).
- 20th August, 1pm. Biodiversity Net Gain and DCO Projects. Environment Analyst's Sustainability Delivery Group. Register [here](#).
- 26th August, 11am. Funding opportunities at your fingertips - Introduction to Grantfinder. City of Westminster Libraries & Archives. Register [here](#).
- 3rd September, 10am. Pitch to Perfection: Win with Investors - COVID-19 Business Help Series. London Growth Hub. Register [here](#).
- 10th September, 10am. Public Relations for Small Businesses - COVID-19 Business Help Series. London Growth Hub. Register [here](#).



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