

# OPERATING SUSTAINABLY: A North-South Perspective on Transport and Economic Recovery during COVID-19



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For our Clean Air Day LiveShare special, [Cross River Partnership](#) (CRP) was joined by Nabeel Khan and Laura Davy from the [London Borough of Lambeth](#), and Victoria Le Mare from [Transport for Greater Manchester](#) to discuss how transport networks have been impacted during COVID-19, and the strategies in place to ensure a positive environmental and economically sustainable recovery. UK cities have been impacted differently since full lockdown in March 2020, and urban areas

are using this time as a once in a generational opportunity to build back better. In this session we hear the approaches from a north-south perspective, including the valuable lessons we can learn from one another in delivering lasting, transformative change that benefits all members of society.

For the full recording of the LiveShare, please see [here](#). For slides from the LiveShare, please see [here](#).

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**"What we've seen over the past few months is nothing short of extraordinary, and this is reflected across London ... It was clear to us that we needed to shift our focus towards resilience."**

**Nabeel Khan – London Borough of Lambeth**

## USEFUL RESOURCES FOR OPERATING SUSTAINABLY

See the resources below for information and guidance on operating sustainably during the recovery from the Covid-19 pandemic.

### RESOURCES FROM SPEAKERS

**Transport for Greater Manchester's** ambitious [2040 Strategy](#) to establish a fully integrated, high capacity transport system.

[55 miles of new cycle routes and 140 new walking crossings](#) to be created across Greater Manchester by December 2021.

The [#SafeStreetsSaveLives campaign](#) was launched to support social distancing during Covid-19 lockdown and recovery. Further resources can be accessed [here](#).



Find out about the [Greater Manchester Clean Air Plan](#) and to help shape the proposals.

**London Borough of Lambeth's** [Economic Resilience Strategy](#).

Lambeth's [Transport Strategy](#) and [Implementation Plan](#).

[Lambeth Council's collaboration with PedalMe during the Coronavirus pandemic](#) to deliver nearly 10,000 care packages to the community.

Find out about the [Try Before You Bike](#) scheme.

Further information on the cargo-bike schemes managed by Business Improvement Districts: [Station to Station](#) and [InStreatham BID](#).

### CROSS RIVER PARTNERSHIP PROJECT MATERIALS AND GUIDANCE

[Enabling Last Mile Cycle Logistics Report](#).

[CRP's guidance for parklets](#) - valuable information to assist with implementation and design of a parklet.

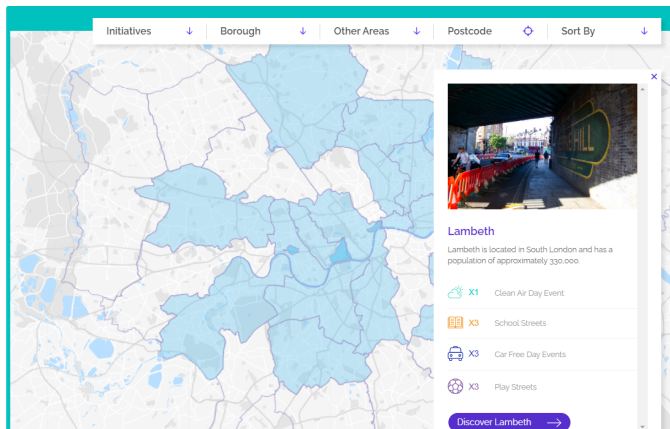
CRP was joined by **Sustrans** and **Transport for London** for a LiveShare on *Getting from A to B* – watch the full recording [here](#).

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### [Clean Air Villages 3 \(CAV3\)](#)

[CRP Clean Air Villages Directory](#) lists businesses operating in London using zero or low emission delivery methods.



### [Healthy Streets Everyday](#)

See the recently launched [interactive platform](#) where you can search, or add your own, healthy streets initiative!

### [Central London Sub-Regional Transport Partnership \(CLSRTP\)](#)

Some streets have cleaner air than others. Reduce your exposure by taking a [Clean Air Route](#).

## CLEAN AIR VILLAGES CASE STUDIES

A [detailed case study](#) outlining **Guy's and St Thomas' Trust's** innovative approach to consolidation.

The Trust's new consolidation hub is set to **reduce the number of deliveries** arriving at their central London hospital sites **by 90%**

Read [here](#) about Soho-based **Hospitality Source** who consolidate cleaning products and deliver last mile on foot.

All our case studies produced as part of the second year of Clean Air Villages are [online](#).

## OTHER USEFUL RESOURCES

**Sustrans** have created an interactive map to help key workers find bike offers and services in their area: [Cycles for Key Workers](#).

**Transport for London** have launched the [TfL Go](#) app to get London moving again safely and sustainably.

[Top tips](#) from **The Bikeability Trust's** Paul Robison for those looking to start cycling to work with confidence.

## Rebuilding the high street

Explore the **Centre for Cities** [High Street Tracker](#) to understand how quickly high streets in town and city centres across the UK are recovering from the Coronavirus pandemic.

[Saving the high street: the community takeover](#), commissioned by **Power to Change**, presents six case studies showing how community businesses can help regenerate the high street.

## NEWS ARTICLES AND RESEARCH

### Public transport and Covid-19

Detailed report, the [Covid-19 Funding Gap](#), highlighting the risk to local public transport services without continued financial support from the UK government.

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Campaign for Better Transport's report, [Covid-19 Recovery: Renewing the transport system](#), exploring how the UK's transport system can be transformed as part of a green recovery programme.

[Why public transport could be safer than we thought](#) – report from **Sky News** that only 1.2% of France's coronavirus clusters recorded from May to September occurred on any type of transport.

### New visions for urban living

In a '15 minute city' everyone is able to meet most, if not all, of their needs within a short walk or bike ride from their home – [C40 Knowledge Hub](#).



Detailed [discussion from the Financial Times](#) on the '15 minute city' concept.

No signs of city centre workers across the UK returning to the office – reports from [Sky News](#) and the [Independent](#).

### The future of logistics

[Parcel groups seek to deliver greener last mile processes](#) from the **Financial Times**.

The [Low Emission Zone \(LEZ\) emissions standards](#) will become tougher for heavier vehicles from March 2021. The **Mayor of London** has launched a [new scrappage scheme](#), offering commercial fleet operators up to £15,000 to replace non-compliant vehicles.

### FURTHER INFORMATION

This toolkit was created by Cross River Partnership – a non-profit and impartial partnership organisation that has been delivering positive change for London's residents, businesses and visitors for over 25 years.

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