

CROSS RIVER PARTNERSHIP LAUNCHES NEW 'THE LIVED EXPERIENCE OF OUR STREETS: A PEOPLE FIRST VISION FOR LONDON'S STREETS', PROVIDING PRACTICAL SOLUTIONS TO FUTURE-PROOF OUR URBAN SPACES FOR ALL USERS

[Cross River Partnership](#) (CRP), a non-profit and impartial partnership organisation, is very excited to announce the launch of its latest report - **The Lived Experience of Our Streets: A People First Vision for London's Streets** – showcasing four diverse London Street Scape typologies, the problems they currently face, and the practical, visionary recommendations to enhance their use to better accommodate current, as well as future potential users.

This report has been developed as part of the [Central London Sub-Regional Transport Partnership](#), a collective of senior transport officers and directors from ten London boroughs who provide strategic advice for, and on behalf of, [Transport for London](#). The report has been prepared by the [Nooma Studio Consultancy](#).

Since the industrial revolution, streets have been designed to cater for motor vehicles to move goods around the city. The movement of vehicles has continued to increase throughout the years and the streets that were once used by horse and cart have been replaced by motor vehicles, HGVs and vans. The increased congestion has continued to have an adverse effect on air pollution and some of those trying to use the street space simultaneously.

The COVID-19 pandemic, and other major issues that London faces today, including; Brexit, the Climate Emergency, shifts to online shopping, inequalities, and an ageing population, have presented a timely opportunity for London's Local Authorities and Strategic Agencies to work together to implement practical solutions to the issues regarding transport, footfall, environment, and functionality of London's crowded street space.

The Lived Experience of Our Streets: A People First Vision for London's Streets reimagines the function of streets – how people move, share, pick up, drop off, shop, explore, work, and play. It provides first-hand user accounts to the current challenges these spaces face and what can be done to **put people first** in their design to improve accessibility, functionality, social interaction and community resilience.

This report aims to provide Local Authorities and Landowners with the visionary guidance to build the case for the removal of unnecessary clutter on streets, integrate Healthy Streets Indicators as an intrinsic element of design, and provide the space and infrastructure for residents, businesses and visitors to travel sustainably to and from these destinations, in turn improving air quality, reducing congestion, and delivering on carbon emissions targets.

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NOTES TO EDITORS

The Lived Experience of Our Streets: A People First Vision for London's Streets - 4 typologies

Atlantic Road – Brixton	London Borough of Lambeth
Circus Road West – Nine Elms	London Borough of Wandsworth
Camden High Street	London Borough of Camden
Praed Street – Paddington	City of Westminster

Central London Sub-Regional Transport Partnership

A collective of senior transport officers from ten London boroughs:

City of London
City of Westminster
London Borough of Camden
London Borough of Hackney
London Borough of Islington
London Borough of Lambeth
London Borough of Lewisham
London borough of Southwark
London Borough of Wandsworth
Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea

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CRP's programmes transect themes such as Place Making; Health and Wellbeing; Air Quality; Diversity and Inclusion; Freight, Transport and Active Travel; Energy; Environment; Culture; and Lighting. Visit their projects' page for more information on initiatives being delivered with their partners and collaborators.