Old Oak Common Lane Closure Mitigations List

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This list is developed in parrallel to the Ealing HS2 Mitigations Framework for specific works at Old Oak Common Lane, it is to be reviewed regularly to identify issues, inform priorities, track progress and enable partnership working.

Issue	Service Area	Mitigation Ask
Bus route 228	**Transport**	**Bus stop relocation -** waiting area to be safe, dry, with adequate waiting area; access to the bus stop to be easy, direct, accessible, safe and add minimal journey times for residents; shuttle to and from bus stop for residents with mobility requirements.
Bus route 228	**Transport**	**Bus route diversion -** maintain access to key locations including Central Middlesex Hospital, Harlesden, Willesden Junction, East Acton, access to schools and health centres; manage time difference where possible by inputting to highways design interventions where necessary to optimise route
	Transport	**Support provision of car club bays in surrounding area:**to provide vehicle access for residents who need to use a car but do not want to constantly own one. Which in turn inspires the need to not use cars as often.
Traffic Management measures	**Transport / Highways**	**Victoria Road improvements -** delivering an alternative route that is suitable to take additional road traffic, reliable, comfortable for all road users, safe, well lit and accessible. Solve flooding issues with Thames Water. Maximise access routes to Victoria Road from adjacent street network to increase impact of these focussed improvement works.
Traffic Management measures	**Highways**	**Old Oak Common Lane improvements -** Review and implement options for highways improvements to reduce impacts of traffic diversions ie. Filter lanes for turning vehicles, parking provision for stop and shop, safe separation for pedestrians, cycles and freight vehicles, connecting junction timings and route impacts, including Acton Lane to the north and the A40 to the south.
Traffic Management measures	**Transport / Highways**	**Traffic network impacts -** model, review and implement options for the wider route network to minimise disruption throughout the local area including Acton Lane, A40, Victoria Road, Chase Road, Scrubs Lane, Old Oak Road**. Signal Timing Changes, Adjustments to one way systems and planning alternative routes for diverted traffic.**
Traffic Management measures	**Highways**	**Construction traffic and localised closures -** management of any additional closures within the area must minimise cumulative disruption, bring forward all possible local closures required in advance of the full time route closure, to be timed with temporary closures on site. Publicise closures and diversions in an accessible format with an indication of time delays to key destinations.
Active Travel	**Highways**	**Connected Cycle Network -** ensure a connected cycle network offers a viable alternative mode of transport with connections to key local destinations for onward travel, schools, health centres and services.
Public Safety		**Public Safety of active travel routes -** ensure all available and recommended pedestrian and cycle routes are safe, accessible, well-lit, well sign-posted and enjoyable for all to use. These should maximise visible sight lines, activation, good maintenance, reduce sharp corners and hidden waiting spaces. Old Oak Common Lane, Perry Ave to Brunel Ave connection, Wells House Road Steps, and other key connections.CCTV to be installed around the closure and the Hoardings.

Public Safety	**Safety**	**Police Safety report:** Collaborate with the DOCO Team for a site audit and actionable safety report for the road closure.
Emergency Services	**Safety**	**Early Emergency Services engagement -** High priority engagement to establish priority or dedicated emergency routes, consider potential to station vehicles nearby and optimise routes to and from local depots / stations to ensure good coverage for the area whilst minimising delays to response times. Invest in preventative safety measures or risk reduction.
Operations	**Street Services / Enforcement / Parks**	**Optimisation of routes and services for Waste collection -** requires review and testing of new routes and combinations of team coverage for parts of the borough accessed from alternative directions, ie. North of Old Oak Common Lane Closure coverage likely to switch from Acton to Park Royal teams causing a knock on impact across North of the borough team catchment areas.
Operations	**Street Services / Enforcement / Parks**	**Trial run opportunities to be harnessed for Waste Collection -** maximise use of temporary and single lane closures throughout 2025 in order to test and refine solutions for implementation before the full closure is active for residents and businesses.
Business Sustainability	**Business Support**	**Business identification and communication to warn of closures** - Analysis to identify area of effected businesses. Early communication to businesses including **door to door leafletting and surveying of businesses in the area.** Communication to business through groups including Park Royal Business Group, West London Business, and any others.
Town Centre - East Acton	**Business Support / Place / Safety**	**Pilot diversified town centre improvement initiatives -** opportunity to pedestrianise, include markets, events and promotional activities along sections of Old Oak Common Lane that remain open but now provide limited access requirements. Maximise activation, greening, attractiveness of the street to support footfall and draw visitors to support local business.
Town Centre - East Acton	**Business Support / Place / Safety**	**Initiate a traders association to support local businesses -** funded support for businesses with incentivised shopping, promotional campaigns, wayfinding and signage, free and available parking if necessary, and accessible cycle and pedestrian routes.
Business Sustainability	**Business Support**	**Early business engagement to discuss with businesses how they can be supported.-** engagement with individual businesses, providing support to manage changes as a result of the closure. Requirement for trial runs to be maximised throughout 2025 for business operations to be in place ahead of the planned closure. This could include route planning, timed delivery management, clear signage, input to highways design process to minimise disruption.
Business Sustainability	**Business Support**	**Mitigations for loss of business -** financial claims pool for businesses facing loss of trade due to the closure, investing in changes to their operations, impacts upon servicing deliveries and any fines incurred as a result of the closure.
Primary Care Services	**Health**	**Engagement with Primary Care services -** Including Hospitals and specialist clinics at Central Middlesex and Hammersmith Hospitals which serve wider catchment areas ie. Regional Heart Attack Centre, Sexual Health Clinic; and GP health centres including Cloister Road, Acton and Harlesden surgeries. Contact surgeries via health team and maximise outreach and communication via PPG's.
Primary Care Services	**Health**	**Communication with vulnerable and impacted residents -** Maximise outreach via surgeries identified above, schools, transport providers, Asylum Seeker housing location ie. The Stay Club in order to ensure good engagement with harder to reach community members who will be disproportinately impacted by the closure.

Primary Care Services	**Health**	**Access to health services -** Difficulty reaching critical care units, outpatient services, and emergency care; potential impact on routine appointments, urgent consultations, and outpatient visits. Fortunately GP catchment boundary located along closure route between Harlesden and Cloister Road surgeries. **Support publicity and promotion from key services ie. GP**
Public Health	**Health**	**Access to building blocks of health facilities - Provide shuttle services for vulnerable groups-** including sports, leisure, parks and greenspace, accessible active travel routes which all act as preventative measures for residents to maintain healthy lives and reduce demand upon primary care services.
Public Health	**Health**	**Mental health support or respite - Increase mental health support awareness and community engagement.** significant breaks from continuous noise, disruption and construction impacts required in order to manage stress, anxiety, mental health load for residents during this period. Introduction of suitable mental health support programmes to be developed with the community in order to manage specific localised impacts.
Active Travel	**Education**	**Safe accessible routes for young people -** Introduction of safety measures, crossings, adult presence along key routes for school access. Modal shift incentives to encourage active travel, cycle schemes and cycling/walking buses to reduce traffic burden and promote healthy options where possible.
Public Health	**Health / Education / Transport**	**Transport for vulnerable groups - Review routes for Ealing Community Transport and SEND transport hub, impact of diversions on timing of routes for users.** Work with delivery teams to design and Implement any suitable mitigations to reduce impacts for all vulnerable users affected. Consider additional routes where required.
Early Years support and access	**Education / Business Support**	**Engagement with Early Years Service providers -** establish catchment areas and range of impacted services. I**dentify support needed ie. Investment in active travel routes to services, extended opening hours, business support packages or family support packages including cross-borough re-registration options if required.**
Sports and leisure	**Leisure / Sport**	**Active sports and outdoor programmes - Programming (Ads) and vouchers to encourage residents use of active healthy play, sports and leisure facilities** in order to maintain health and well-being for residents, continued use of harder to access facilities and vouchers / memberships for leisure centres. Promote and publicise suitable activities to residents, including cross-borough options.
Parks maintenance	**Parks**	**Programme growth - Once maintenance options established programme lower maintenance areas with investment and publicity in order to manage reduced mowing cycles, wild seeded areas and grasses to meet optimised services** as outlined above under operations. This should include priority scheduling of key parks and play areas.
Ecology and habitat mitigations	**Environment**	**Mitigate environmental risks - reduce light spill, noise and air pollution, especially close to habitat areas within Wormwood Scrubs and along rail cuttings as green corridors**. Explore opportunities to shelter and strengthen existing ecosystems in these areas by safeguarding biodiverse spaces and reducing noise and light spill.
Community and cultural programming	**Arts & Culture / Community**	**Access to community and cultural programming -** There is a significant cluster of grassroots cultural programming and community facilities which will be increasingly difficult to access during the closure. Culturual p**rogramming to encourage facilities continued use, subsidies for affordable use of existing spaces and diversification of these venues use may be required in order to safeguard these uses continued operation throughout the closure. (ads, flyers)**
Active Travel	**Transport**	**Specific ask for alleyway at back of John Perryn, adjacent to Brunel Road, to be significantly upgraded .** The school have a gate on this alleyway and its use could be increased to reduce car use to the school.

Active Travel	**Transport**	**Cycle training - Families (adult with children); adult cycle training; c**onfidence building sessions; Bikeability for every year group at John Perryn Primary; School bike bus training and paid facilitators
Active Travel	**Transport**	**Community cargo bike** - to be located at Friary Park Community Centre (W3 Hub) or John Perryn Children's Centre
Active Travel	**Transport**	**Cycle storage** - bike hangers and sheffield stands in suitable locations
Active Travel	**Transport**	**Scooter training** - for every year group at John Perryn Primary, scooter skills and safety.
Active Travel	**Transport**	**Pedestrian skills training** for every school year group at John Perryn Primary for 3 years. Also provision of family road safety training
Active Travel	**Transport**	**Route planning workshops and maps;** workshops to develop and produce active travel maps, engage with families and then promote.
Active Travel	**Transport**	**Legible London wayfinding signs -** directing walkers and cyclists to suitable routes in the local area
	Transport	**Extending C49 cycle route from Long Drive to Wormwood Scrubs**
	Transport	**Cycle facilities (cycle track/lanes) on Victoria Road – before closure is in place.**