

Highways England comments on Publication of the Pimlico Neighbourhood Plan 2021-2040 (Submission Version)



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Follow up. Start by 01 July 2021. Due by 01 July 2021.

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Highways England Ref: #13679

Dear Marina,

Thank you for your email dated 29 June 2021 regarding the above consultation and requiring a response by 23 August 2021.

Highways England has been appointed by the Secretary of State for Transport as strategic highway company under the provisions of the Infrastructure Act 2015 and is the highway authority, traffic authority and street authority for the strategic road network (SRN). The SRN is a critical national asset and as such Highways England works to ensure that it operates and is managed in the public interest, both in respect of current activities and needs as well as in providing effective stewardship of its long-term operation and integrity. There is no SRN within Pimlico, the nearest SRN is the M4 which is approximately 9km outside the borough boundary.

Our interest in Local Plan documents is specifically focussed on the council's approach to highway and transport matters in relation to regeneration and new development. We are keen to understand how local authorities initially identify and prioritise transport improvements in order to deliver sustainable development. Specifically how local authorities set and implement policy to manage trip demand and ultimately how these might contribute to the safe and efficient operation of the Strategic Road Network for which we are responsible.

We have reviewed the Neighbourhood Plan documents and given the nature and distance from the nearest SRN, we are satisfied that the outcome of the consultation will not materially affect the safety, reliability and / or operation of the SRN (the tests set out in DfT Circular 02/2013, particularly paragraphs 9 & 10, and MHCLG NPPF2019, particularly paragraphs 108 and 109). We have no comments or objections.

Thank you again for consulting with Highways England and please continue to consult us via our inbox: planningse@highwaysengland.co.uk.

Kind regards,

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