

Places for People – reducing traffic through Bournville

Dear resident / occupier,

We have previously written to you with information about our new Places for People programme and some initial measures to reduce motor traffic cutting through Bournville. This project aims to reduce traffic in residential areas so that streets become quieter, the air is cleaner, and the area feels safer for walking and cycling.

We are introducing two *modal filters* in the area:

- on **Oak Tree Lane**, to the south of the junction with Woodbrooke Road
- on **Franklin Road**, to the west of the junction with Linden Road/Watford Road

These modal filters will restrict the movement of through-traffic at these locations. Residents will still be able to drive onto their street, have visitors, get deliveries, etc, but it will be made harder or impossible to drive straight through the area. This will still allow access for pedestrians, cyclists, mobility scooters and wheelchair users.

Contractors will be on site installing these measures from Wednesday 23 September

Road markings and signs, including advance warning signs, will be installed first, followed by the planters to create the modal filters. Once the planters and signs are in place motor vehicles will no longer be allowed through these locations. Work should be completed by Friday 25 September. Please note that this is an indicative schedule and may be subject to change.

Once construction is complete, we plan to run some ‘pop-up’ events in the local area - although we will need to arrange this in line with any guidelines and restrictions that are in place.

We want to hear your feedback on these changes

These are temporary, trial measures that can be changed, removed or made more permanent at a later stage depending on their success and feedback received during this trial period. The trial will initially run for up to 6 months and is being funded by the Department for Transport’s Emergency Active Travel Fund. We hope to secure more money to fund additional measures to create further low traffic neighbourhoods across Bournville.

Details of all our Emergency Active Travel Fund schemes, including this project, can be found at <https://covidmeasuresbirmingham.commonplace.is> where you can make comments and provide feedback on what is happening. If you do not have access to the internet, you can also post any written comments in the post box at Rowheath Pavilion, Heath Road, B30 1HH or Selly Manor Museum, Maple Road, B30 2AE when open. Please note, you may be asked to fill in a COVID-19 track and trace form when visiting these venues.

For more information about the Places for People programme across Birmingham, including answers to some frequently asked questions and links to a recording of the recent briefing event about Bournville Places for People, visit www.birmingham.gov.uk/placesforpeople.

If you have any questions which are not addressed by the information on Commonplace or the Birmingham City Council website, please email connected@birmingham.gov.uk.