



LBI Residents – United against the cruel road closures in Islington

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Welcome to our subscribers for the fourth of our newsletters. We hope you will find it useful, informative and motivating to help stop the cruel road closures blighting lives in an Islington street near you !

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1. Confronting Council Cruelty – **Have a Heart ♥** Campaign.

Susan has been interviewed and photographed by the Metro and Islington Tribune. We are waiting on seeing these published in the respective papers.

Feedback has been received from Emily Thornberry's office and one of her caseworkers has stated that they will be chasing Councillor Champion for a response to our initial campaign email. In the meantime we have fed back the details of Abby's story and will continue with round three of our campaign by circulating Alyson's story to the Islington Councillors.

Going forward can you please use **'#Have a Heart ♥'** on any LTN related comments across all social media channels.

2. Facebook Page

Our new Facebook page 'Islington against road closures', continues to grow slowly. You are invited to join us from: [HERE](#).

3. Highbury

'Keep Highbury Moving' hit the headlines of the Herald Tribune last week. Well done to Jo Sargent and her neighbours for getting prime visibility. Let's try to get more coverage in both the local and London wide press. Its due to go live on January 11th 2021 !





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4. Last Call for Objections to the St Peter's LTN

We have just **TWO** more weeks to send back our objections to the council to stop making these 'temporary' road changes permanent. The last day for feedback is **3rd Jan 2021** and the last working day is Thursday 31 December 2020.

The four road closed to motorists are:

1. Prebend St - Camera enforced
2. Danbury St - Double bollards enforced
3. Colebrook Row - Camera enforced
4. Wharf Road - Camera enforced [after removable bollards rejected by emergency services]

Have you got evidence that the implementation of one or more of the above measures has resulted in the area being less safe for motorists and other road users and less friendly for people ?

If so please ensure that this is fed back to the local ward councillors, plus Champion and Watts with a copy to the Public Realm.

To ensure that feedback is provided in accordance to their requests you may use the following templates adapted with your specific concerns available from [HERE](#).

5. Protest at Town Hall – 12 December 2020

Some of us attended the protest outside the Town Hall organised by the Ludicrous Road Closures [LRC] group. The speakers were a mix from the organisers themselves and a selection from members of the audience who bravely volunteered on the spot! The passions were high and the themes were common; 'undemocratic', 'discriminatory against the vulnerable', 'council members are not listening'. Well done to all involved and for those who stood up and shared their experiences.

The protest was reported in the Islington Gazette you can read about it from [HERE](#)

6. Looking forwards

- We are continuing to collect testimonies on the adverse impacts that these road closures are causing to use in our **'Have a Heart ♥' Campaign**. If you or one of your friends / family have a particularly heart-rending story and give permission to share, please let us know. Share your story info.LBIResidents@gmail.com and remember to use **#Have a Heart ♥**
- We are supporting an initiative from the **'We Are Islington'** [WAI] Facebook Group, who are planning to **'go to Downing Street'** in January 2021 to take a Petition to Parliament with the message that the Islington Council are not listening to us. The plan is to link up with the other boroughs. More details to come in the following weeks. In the meantime you are welcome to sign the petition from [HERE](#).
- Help support Islington Carer Parent Forum with their challenges with 'People Friendly Streets' using their Templated form from [HERE](#)



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People Friendly Streets

As you are aware a few roads have been blocked off for traffic as part of the 'People Friendly Streets' initiative.

A number of Parents and Carers have been getting in touch with People Friendly Streets to state that this is significantly impacting them and their children.

We want to collect some case studies to give specific examples to the 'PFS' team to inform them who should be exempt.

Please use the attached form to complete the case study feedback and return to Islington Parent Carer Forum email - islingtonparentcarerforum@gmail.com and/or christin.eibisch@islington.gov.uk