

Active travel in Moulsham – how we are listening to your views

Our ambition is to make Essex a destination for walking and cycling – a safer, greener, healthier place. Chelmsford has one of the highest levels of walking and cycling in the county but if we're to ease congestion, improve air quality, health and wellbeing and tackle climate change, we all need to do more.

The Chelmsford Active Travel proposals aim to make Moulsham a 'Liveable Neighbourhood' – an area where it is easier and safer for everybody to walk and cycle, while enjoying a more pleasant street and improved, more attractive, environment as a result of fewer cars. It aims to reverse the trend of neighbourhoods dominated by speeding cars using residential streets as rat-runs and shortcuts by people outside the area.



The Moulsham proposals have been developed in partnership with representatives from Chelmsford City Council, County and City councillors, businesses, cycling, access and other local interest groups via a dedicated Steering Group. This group has shaped the initial proposals but crucially we want to hear from you, the local residents.

In addition to the online consultation (*see weblink overleaf*) we have organised three events next week to give you an opportunity to ask questions and share your views:

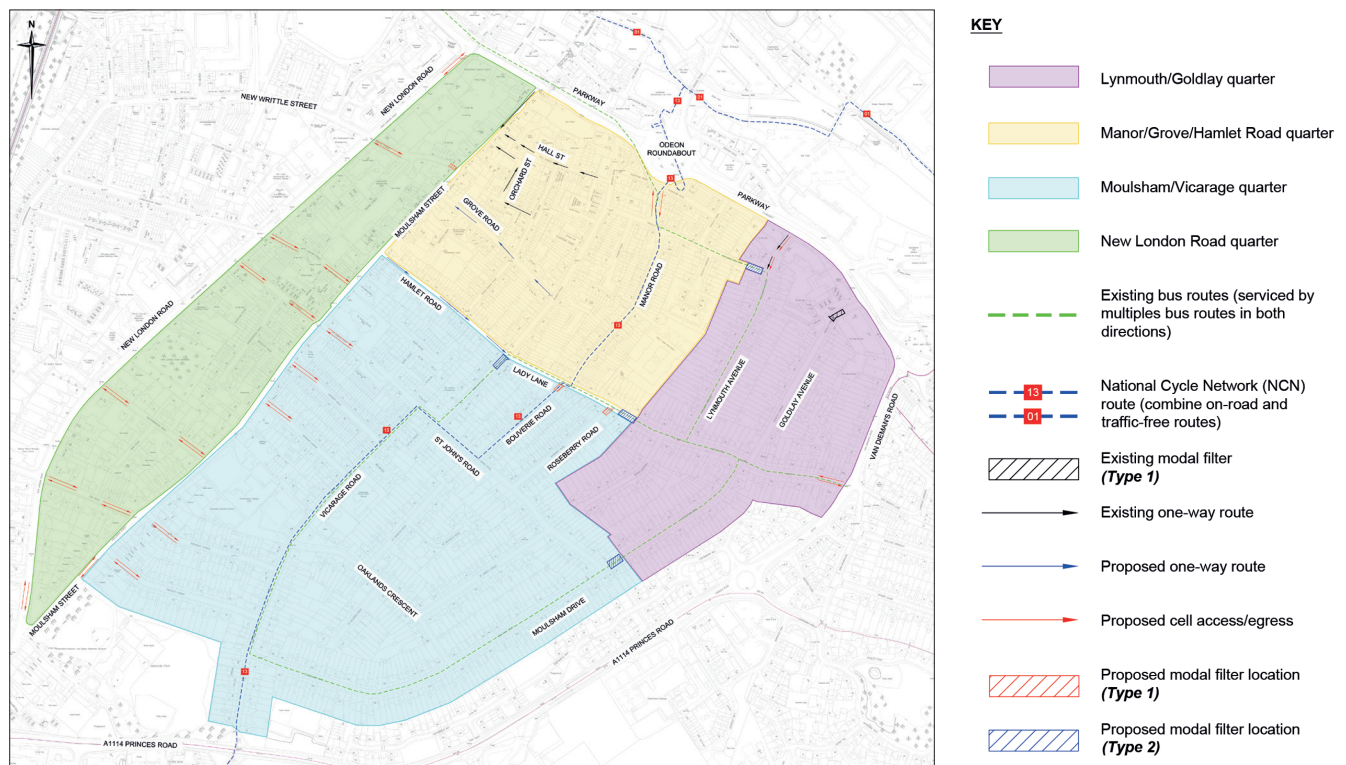
- A virtual "town hall" meeting will be held on **Monday 21st June at 1900 - 2030 hours**. You can sign up for this here: <https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/81995368705?pwd=UWRzMTBMUVdtR3UytNdm5DVklpQTog>
If you wish to join via the Zoom website, you can do so by entering the details below:
Webinar ID: 819 9536 8705
Passcode: d7osxp
- An in-person event will be held in the city centre outside Barclays Bank on the High Street on **Tuesday 22nd June between 1030 - 1430 hours**.
- An additional event will be held at Oaklands Park on **Thursday 24th June between 1030 - 1430 hours**.

Correct at time of printing. Please check consultation website for confirmation.

As well as the feedback from the consultation and the events, ECC will also be gathering input from focus groups and where applicable, resident workshops and traffic counts. But it doesn't end there – once we have analysed all this feedback we will hold further engagement events in late summer / early autumn and use all the findings to agree next steps and to inform the next stage of design which will give you an opportunity to ask questions and seek clarification on any points.

Moulsham proposals

To achieve high-level agreement on the Liveable Neighbourhood concept, the Chelmsford Steering Group propose 'four quarters' be created. **Residents and businesses will continue to be able to access their homes and premises via the appropriate quarter gateway**, but modal filters (a piece of infrastructure which stops general vehicle traffic) could be explored to stop any non-local traffic travelling through the neighbourhood. These measures will encourage a shift to sustainable transport within the area which will also benefit the surrounding road network. The detail of exactly what these options could look like would take place at the next stage of design in the summer and will be shared with residents. Firstly, however, we want to understand what residents think of the general approach.



The Moulsham proposals are part of a bold ambition in Chelmsford, as set out in the Chelmsford Future Transport Network Strategy, which focusses on active and sustainable journeys in the city centre. The Active Travel proposals will complement other projects in Chelmsford such as the Chelmsford City Growth Package and the Army & Navy Sustainable Transport Package.

The online consultation is available until 11th July on the Essex Highways site. We have included plenty of free text boxes so residents can input comments and suggestions they feel are not covered by the survey.

Consultation web address: www.essexhighways.org/safer-greener-healthier-chelmsford

Printed copies of the consultation materials are available on request.

Please ring **0345 743 0430** to request a copy.

We look forward to hearing your views and shaping a Safer Greener Healthier Moulsham with residents.