Public notice

Electric scooter trial



The London Borough of Southwark (Various provisions and exemptions) (e-scooter trial) Experimental Traffic Order 2021

- 1. Southwark Council hereby GIVES NOTICE that on 24 June 2021 it has made the above experimental order under sections 9 and 10 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended.
- 2. The general effect of the Experimental Order will be, in connection with electric scooters (henceforth referred to as 'e-scooters') being used in a trial, to:-

(a) re-designate certain cycle tracks made pursuant to section 65 of the Highways Act 1980 as restricted carriageways; and

(b) to exempt e-scooters, being used in a trial, from cycle lanes installed prior to when the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016 came into force.

Note: Transport for London will permit the use of e-scooters on all GLA roads and side roads, where pedal cycles can already proceed, within the London Borough of Southwark from 7 June 2021. Details of Transport for London's Order can be found by visiting their website.

3. Southwark Council hereby GIVES FURTHER NOTICE that under Section 15(4) of the Greater London Council (General Powers) Act 1974, have resolved that vehicles (being e-scooters used in a trial) which are parked on the footway and wholly within the areas delineated by white lines, on the footway at the locations identified below, shall be exempt from Section 15(1) of the said Act which makes it an offence to park on the footway. The resolution shall take effect from 20 July 2021. E-scooter parking places designated at the following locations:-

Street	Location of e-scooter parking places on footway	
Asylum Road, SE15	east side, o/s Queens Road Peckham rail station	
Borough High Street, SE1	north-west side, o/s Redman House	
Borough Road, SE1	south-east side, o/s South Bank University	
Borough Road, SE1	south side, opposite No. 12	
Brunel Road, SE16	north-west side, o/s Rotherhithe station	
Camberwell Green, SE5	north-east side of the green, o/s Block C Peabody Estate	
Camberwell Road, SE17	west side, opposite its junction with Westmoreland Road	
Champion Park, SE5	north-west side 2x bays south-west of Denmark Hill rail station	
De Laune Street, SE17	south-east side, near Kennington station	
Great Dover Street, SE1	north-east side, near Borough station	
Grove Vale, SE22	north-east side, 2x bays opposite East Dulwich rail station	
Harper Road, SE1	south-west side, o/s No. 42	
Holland Street, SE1	north-east side, near Tate Modern	
Ilderton Road, SE16	north side, near South Bermondsey rail station	
Long Lane, SE1	south side, at its junction with Bermondsey Street	
Lower Road, SE16	north-east side, near Surrey Quays rail station	
Major Road, SE16	north-east side, 2x bays adjacent to Bermondsey station	
Rope Street, SE16	south-west side, adjacent to Surrey Docks Fitness Centre	
Southwark Bridge Road, SE1	south side, at its junction with Quilp Street	
Southwark Park Road, SE16	north-west side, opposite Nos. 240-242	
Sumner Street, SE1	east side, o/s No. 12	
Sumner Street, SE1	south side, opposite Tate Modern	
Surrey Quays Road, SE16	east side, opposite Canada Water station	
Tabard Street, SE1	north-east side, south of its junction with Long Lane	
Tabard Street, SE1	south-west side, at its junction with Great Dover Street	
The Cut, SE1	north-west side 2x bays opposite Lewisham Southwark College	
Waterloo Road, SE1	north-east side, o/s No. 207	

- 4. For more information on the background and implementation of the trials please contact the Highways, e-scooter team <u>Highways@southwark.gov.uk</u>
- 5. Copies of the Experimental Order, which will come into force on 1 July 2021 (and expire on 12 January 2023), this notice and a statement of the council's reasons for making the order may be found online at <u>www.southwark.gov.uk/trafficorders</u>. Paper copies may be obtained from or viewed at Highways, Environment and Leisure, 3rd floor hub 2, 160 Tooley Street, London SE1 2QH by appointment only for booking details contact <u>traffic.orders@southwark.gov.uk</u> or 020 7525 3497.
- 6. The council will in due course be considering whether the provisions of the experimental order should be continued in force indefinitely, by means of a permanent order made under the powers of the

Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984. Anyone wishing to object to the making of the permanent order or make any other representation regarding the scheme would have 6 months to do so, from the date the experimental order comes into force (or, if the order is varied by a subsequent order or modified pursuant to section 10(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, from the date that variation order or modification comes into force), and may send a statement to traffic.orders@southwark.gov.uk or to: Traffic Order consultations, Highways, Southwark Council, Environment and Leisure, P.O. Box 64529, London SE1P 5LX; or use the form labelled 'Parking - Road traffic and highway schemes - responding to statutory consultation notices' at www.southwark.gov.uk/statutoryconsultationnotices quoting reference 'TMO2122-EXP09_e-scooter trial'. Please note that if you wish to object to the scheme you must state the grounds on which your objection is made.

- 7. Under requirements of current access to information legislation, any letter or e-mail sent to the Council in response to this Notice may be subject to publication or disclosure, or both, including communication to other persons affected.
- 8. Anyone wishing to question the validity of the order or of any provision therein on the grounds that it is not within the relevant powers of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, or that any of the relevant requirements thereof or of any relevant regulations made thereunder have not been complied with in relation to the order may, within 6 weeks of the date on which the order was made, make application for the purpose to the High Court.

Dated 24 June 2021

Dale Foden Head of Service - Highways, Environment and Leisure

Statement of reasons



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The decision has been made for the London Borough of Southwark to join the 12 month pan-London electric scooter (e-scooter) trial.

For the purpose of the scheme, the Department for Transport (DfT) have made an interim provision that legalises the use of the appointed companies' e-scooters and categorises them as motor-vehicles: <u>The Electric Scooter Trials and Traffic Signs (Coronavirus) Regulations and General Directions 2020</u>

Due to the need to adopt a multi-borough approach to a trial in London, it has been agreed that Transport for London (TfL) would act as the lead authority. It is illegal to use privately-owned e-scooters on public property including roads, pavements and cycle lanes. However, for the purpose of the trial, the three appointed companies (Dott, Tier and Lime) have been selected and given the opportunity of running hire schemes whereby e-scooters can be used. The use/hire of private e-scooters and non-participating e-scooters companies will remain illegal and subject to enforcement by the Police.

You may find out more about the pan-London e-scooter trials and the three e-scooter hire providers, at TfL's website: <u>https://tfl.gov.uk/modes/driving/electric-scooter-rental-trial</u>

The above-mentioned Order will, by way of an experiment, permit e-scooters being used in the trial to:

- proceed on any cycle track (both shared-use and segregated); and
- proceed in any cycle lane;

within the London Borough of Southwark for the duration of the e-scooter pan-London trials.

The reason for introducing this Order experimentally is to enable the London Borough of Southwark to facilitate the riding of e-scooters provided as a part of the trial hire scheme and, as a consequence, to understand whether and how these vehicles can be safely accommodated in London in the manner established by Government Regulations for the purposes of trials.

Further to the Experimental Order, Southwark Council has, by resolution under Section 15(4) of the Greater London Council (General Powers) Act 1974, informed that vehicles (being e-scooters used in a trial) which are parked on the footway and wholly within the areas delineated by white lines, on the footway at the locations identified below, shall be exempt from Section 15(1) of the said Act which makes it an offence to park on the footway. The resolution shall take effect from 20 July 2021. E-scooter parking places will be designated at 27 different locations across the London Borough of Southwark, as marked bays on the footway.

These measures are subject to experimental Traffic Management Orders (TMOs). A TMO is the legal mechanism the council, as traffic authority, uses to control aspects of the way that the highway is used. They provide the legal backing to signs and road markings used on the highway and allow them to be enforceable.

The experimental TMO will be enforceable for a period up to 18 months to allow the assessment of any impact the restrictions might have on the area and surrounding roads, and to revise the scheme if necessary within that time. A review will be carried out to assess the initial success of the scheme and whether the restrictions should be made permanent.

Link to decision -

https://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/mglssueHistoryHome.aspx?IId=50026453&Opt=0

Dated 24 June 2021

For more information contact:-

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THE COUNCIL OF THE LONDON BOROUGH OF SOUTHWARK

TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT ORDER

2021 No. 040

The London Borough of Southwark (Various provisions and exemptions) (e-scooter trial) Experimental Traffic Order 2021

Made: 24 June 2021 Coming into force: 1 July 2021 Expires: 12 January 2023

The council of the London Borough of Southwark, after consulting the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 9 and 10 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984^a, as amended, and of all other powers thereunto enabling, hereby make the following Order:

Citation, commencement and expiry

1.1 This Order may be cited as the London Borough of Southwark (Various provisions and exemptions) (e-scooter trial) Experimental Traffic Order 2021, shall come into force on 1 July 2021 and will expire on 12 January 2023.

Interpretation

2.1 In this Order:-

a reference to an Article or a Schedule followed by a number is a reference to the Article of, or Schedule to, this Order so numbered;

"carriageway", "cycle track" and "footway" have the same meaning as in section 329(1) of the Highways Act 1980^b as amended;

"council" means the council of the London Borough of Southwark;

"enactment" means any enactment, whether public general or local, and includes any order, byelaw, rule, regulation, scheme or other instrument having effect by virtue of an enactment;

"cycle lane", "electric scooter", "pedal cycle" and "trial" have the same meaning as in the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016^c, as amended; and

"vehicle" includes part of a vehicle.

2.2 Any reference in this Order to any enactment shall be construed as a reference to that enactment as amended, applied, consolidated, re-enacted by or as having effect by virtue of any subsequent enactment.

^a <u>1984 c.27</u>

^b 1980 c.66

^c SI 2016/362

Controls

- 3.1 The cycle tracks listed in Schedule 1 of this Order (made pursuant to section 65 of the Highways Act 1980) are re-designated as restricted carriageway where electric scooters being used in a trial and pedal cycles only have right of way.
- 3.2 The shared-use areas listed in Schedule 2 of this Order (made pursuant to section 65 of the Highways Act 1980) are re-designated as areas of restricted carriageway where electric scooters being used in a trial, pedestrians and pedal cycles only have equal right of way.
- 3.3 The traffic Orders listed in Schedule 3 of this Order (stating which areas of carriageway are cycle lanes) shall include the following words "an electric scooter being used in a trial (within the meaning set out in schedule 1 of the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016, as amended) or" after every instance in which the words:-
 - (a) "No person shall cause any vehicle other than" appear in any Article within; and
 - (b) "Every person causing" appear in any Article within.

Exemptions

- 4.1 The controls specified in Article 3 to this Order do not apply in respect of a vehicle being in the restricted carriageway described in that Article if the vehicle is being used:-
 - (a) in connection with the removal of any obstruction to traffic;
 - (b) in connection with the maintenance, improvement or reconstruction of any road;
 - (c) in connection with the maintenance, improvement or reconstruction of any street furniture including bus stop infrastructure;
 - (d) in connection with the cleaning, removal of ice, snow or any impediment to traffic in any restricted carriageway; and
 - (e) in connection with the laying, erection, alteration or repair in or near the restricted carriageway of any sewer or of any main, pipe or apparatus for the supply of gas, water or electricity, or of any telecommunications apparatus as defined in paragraph 1(1) of Schedule 2 of the Telecommunications Act 1984^d; if the vehicle cannot be used for that purpose without being in a restricted carriageway.
- 4.2 The controls specified in Article 3 to this Order do not apply to the restricted carriageway described in that Article in respect of:-
 - (a) a vehicle being used for fire brigade, ambulance or police purposes if the observance of the controls would hinder the use of the vehicle;
 - (b) a vehicle being used by a person or persons authorised by the London Borough of Southwark.

Power to modify or suspend this Order

5.1 In pursuance of section 10(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, the Head of Service, Highways (or such other officer of the council as holds the post of Traffic Manager as defined in section 17 of the Traffic Management Act 2004^e) may, if it appears to that officer essential in the interests of the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of traffic, or of the provision of suitable and adequate parking facilities on the highway, or for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which any road affected by this Order runs, modify or suspend any provision of this Order, save that no modification shall make an addition.

Conditions and power to suspend restricted carriageways

6.1 The council may from time to time suspend the use of any section f restricted carriageway.

^d <u>1984 c.12</u>

e <u>2004 c.18</u>

Suspension of existing orders

7.1 While this Order remains in force, and without prejudice to the validity of anything done or to any liability incurred in respect of any act or omission before the coming into force of this Order, the Orders listed in Schedules 1 to 3 of this Order are each hereby suspended, in so far as their provisions relate to any length of road specified in the schedules to this Order.

Dated this twenty-fourth day of June 2021

DALE FODEN Head of Service, Highways Environment and Leisure

SCHEDULE 1

Segregated cycle tracks made pursuant to section 65 of the Highways Act 1980, converted to areas of restricted carriageway where electric scooters being used in a trial and pedal cycles only have right of way.

Item No. (1)	Order No. (2)	Order Title (3)	Items varied (4)
1	LBS 2020/257	The London Borough of Southwark Cycle Tracks Order (No. 9) 2020	All items in Schedule 1
2	LBS 2020/239	The London Borough of Southwark Cycle Tracks Order (No. 8) 2020	All items
3	LBS 2020/014	London Borough of Southwark Cycle Tracks Order (Pedal cycle quietways) (No. 7) 2020	All items
4	LBS 2019/013	The London Borough of Southwark Cycle Tracks Order (Pedal cycle quietways) (No. 6) 2019	All items in Schedule 1
5	LBS 2019/005	The London Borough of Southwark Cycle Tracks Order (Pedal cycle quietways) (No. 5) 2019	All items in Schedule 1
6	LBS 2017/079	The London Borough of Southwark Cycle Tracks Order (Pedal cycle quietways) (No. 4) 2017	All items
7	LBS 2017/014	The London Borough of Southwark Cycle Tracks Order (Pedal cycle quietways) (No. 3) 2017	All items
8	LBS 2015/034	The London Borough of Southwark Cycle Tracks Order (Pedal cycle quietways) (No. 2) 2015	All items
9	LBS 2015/024	The London Borough of Southwark Cycle Tracks Order (Pedal cycle quietways) (No. 1) 2015	All items
10	LBS 2013/021	The London Borough of Southwark Cycle Tracks Order (Pedal cycle permeability) (No. 1) 2013	All items in Schedule 1
11	LBS 2012/040	The London Borough of Southwark Cycle Tracks Order (Albatross Way) (No. 1) 2012	All items in Schedule 1
12	LBS 2007/043	The London Borough of Southwark Cycle Tracks Order (Rotherhithe New Road) (No. 1) 2007	All items

SCHEDULE 2

Shared-use areas (for the use of both pedestrians and pedal cycles) made pursuant to section 65 of the Highways Act 1980 converted to areas of restricted carriageway where electric scooters being used in a trial and pedal cycles only have right of way.

Item No. (1)	Order No. (2)	Order Title (3)	Items varied (4)
1	LBS 2020/257	The London Borough of Southwark Cycle Tracks Order (No. 9) 2020	All items in Schedule 2
2	LBS 2019/013	The London Borough of Southwark Cycle Tracks Order (Pedal cycle quietways) (No. 6) 2019	All items in Schedule 2
3	LBS 2019/005	The London Borough of Southwark Cycle Tracks Order (Pedal cycle quietways) (No. 5) 2019	All items in Schedule 2
4	LBS 2013/026	The London Borough of Southwark Cycle Tracks Order (Connect 2 project) (No. 1) 2013	All items
5	LBS 2013/021	The London Borough of Southwark Cycle Tracks Order (Pedal cycle permeability) (No. 1) 2013	All items in Schedule 2
6	LBS 2013/010	The London Borough of Southwark Cycle Tracks Order (East Walworth and Faraday green links) (No. 1) 2013	All items
7	LBS 2013/007	The London Borough of Southwark Cycle Tracks Order (St. James's Path) (No. 1) 2013	All items
8	LBS 2012/040	The London Borough of Southwark Cycle Tracks Order (Albatross Way) (No. 1) 2012	All items in Schedule 2

SCHEDULE 3

Cycle Lane Orders in relation to which electric scooters being used in a trial are exempted.

Item No. (1)	Order No. (2)	Order Title (3)	
1	LBS 2015/106	The London Borough of Southwark (Cycle lanes) (No. 1) Traffic Order 2015	
2	LBS 2015/046	The London Borough of Southwark (Prescribed routes) (TfL cycle superhighway north to south route) (No. 1) Traffic Order 2015	
3	LBS 2015/033	The London Borough of Southwark (Prescribed routes) (Pedal cycle quietways) (No. 2) Traffic Order 2015	
4	LBS 2014/027	The London Borough of Southwark (Prescribed route) (Denmark Hill cycle lane) (No. 1) Traffic Order 2014	
5	LBS 2014/024	The London Borough of Southwark (Prescribed route) (Dulwich Wood Park cycle lane) (No. 1) Traffic Order 2014	
6	LBS 2012/117	The London Borough of Southwark (Prescribed routes) (Lower Road area) (No. 3) Traffic Order 2012	
7	LBS 2011/108	The London Borough of Southwark (Prescribed route) (Peckham Rye cycle lane (Amendment) Traffic Order 2011	
8	LBS 2009/042	The London Borough of Southwark (Prescribed Route) (Hopton Street) (No. 1) Traffic Order 2009	
9	LBS 2008/030	The London Borough of Southwark (Cycle Lane) Traffic Order 2008	
10	LBS 2008/024	The London Borough of Southwark (Prescribed Route) (Camberwell Grove Cycle Lane) (No. 1) Traffic Order 2008	
11	LBS 2007/079	The London Borough of Southwark (Prescribed Route) (Verney Road) (No. 1) Traffic Order	
12	LBS 2007/061	The London Borough of Southwark (Prescribed Route) (Southwark Bridge Road Cycle Lanes) (No. 1) Traffic Order 2007	
13	LBS 2007/044	The London Borough of Southwark (Prescribed Route) (Mandela Way and Rolls Road Cycle Lane) (No. 1) Traffic Order 2007	
14	LBS 2007/030	London Borough of Southwark (Prescribed Routes) (no.1) Traffic Order 2007	
15	LBS 2003/105	London Borough of Southwark Traffic Management Order 2003/105	
16	LBS 1997/017	London Borough of Southwark (Cycle Lane) (No 1) Traffic Management Order 1997/017	
17	LBS 1996/023	London Borough of Southwark (Cycle Lane) (No 2) Traffic Management Order 1996/023	
18	LBS 1996/021	London Borough of Southwark (Cycle Lane) (No 1) Traffic Management Order 1996/021	
19	LBS 1994/027	London Borough of Southwark (Cycle Lane) (No 1) Traffic Management Order 1994/027	
20	LBS 1993/005	The London Borough of Southwark (Cycle Lane) (No 1) Traffic Management Order 1993	

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order, by way of an experiment, is made to enable a trial of electric scooters in the London Borough of Southwark to use associated cycle infrastructure in connection with legalisation enabling the wider use of electric scooters on the highway. Electric scooters owned by individuals are not permitted to be used on the Transport for London Road Network or within the London Borough of Southwark.