

# London Road, Preston Road and Lewes Road Red Route Public Consultation Report

December 2024

## Background

Two Red Routes were implemented using an Experimental Traffic Regulation Order. The first six months of an ETRO forms the formal public consultation on the scheme.

## Headline Findings

- Comments were generally supportive of the scheme, in particular relating to cycle lanes clear of parked vehicles and safety for both cyclists and pedestrians.
- Unsupportive comments mainly related to a lack of loading bays / places to pick up / drop off to both residential and business addresses. To address this, an additional five loading bays were installed and an existing bay extended.

## Methodology

The consultation was advertised as part of the ETRO and promoted via the council's social media, website and featured several times in the local media. The public consultation for both red routes was closed on 6 January 2025.

## Results

Comments were submitted via email and these comments were grouped together and themed as follows:

| Formal ETRO Responses                     |    |
|---|----|
| A23 London Road / Preston Road Supportive | 19 |
| A23 London Road / Preston Road Object     | 1  |
| A23 London Road / Preston Road other      | 1  |
|   |    |
| Lewes Road Supportive                     | 29 |
| Lewes Road Object                         | 0  |
| Lewes Road Other                          | 0  |

## Other comments received by Parking Projects during consultation period

In addition to the formal ETRO comment process, we received 111 emails related directly to both red routes. In summary these can be themed as:

|                   |           |
|-------------------|-----------|
| <b>Supportive</b> | <b>55</b> |
| <b>Opposed</b>    | <b>7</b>  |
| <b>Other</b>      | <b>49</b> |

| <b>Comment theme</b>   |    |
|--|----|
| <b>Supportive</b>  |    |
| Safer for cyclists   | 49 |
| Safer for pedestrians  | 2  |
| Less anti-social parking                                       | 1  |
| Improve traffic flow / bus journey times                       | 1  |
| Easier for disabled people to negotiate                        | 1  |
| General approval (no specific reason given)                    | 1  |
| <b>Other</b>   |    |
| Lack of loading bays / difficult for deliveries                | 17 |
| General enquiries on the rules for red routes                  | 15 |
| Lack of disabled parking                                       | 10 |
| More general parking spaces needed on routes                   | 3  |
| <b>Opposed</b>   |    |
| Concerns over impact on individual businesses / loading access | 6  |
| Scheme not needed  | 1  |



