

Proposal 17: Keep pavements free of obstructions

We will ensure that pavements are free of obstructions by:



- Not permitting a-boards on the pavement and encouraging owners and occupiers to not place a-boards on private land adjacent to the pavement
- Only allowing outdoor seating where businesses can demonstrate that adequate width will be maintained during the busiest time of day
- Working with owners and landlords and using the licencing system to prevent pavements and streets being blocked by people standing outside bars and pubs
- Ensuring operators of dockless cycle hire schemes require users to leave bikes in designated parking locations and promptly remove any cycles not left in these locations (see Proposal 28)
- Continuing to reduce clutter by removing unnecessary street furniture and ensuring remaining furniture is positioned to maintain a clear walking route, including identifying opportunities to affix street lights and signs to buildings
- Seeking to maintain a pedestrian comfort level of B+ when installing new street furniture, signage, trees and greenery, bollards and security features (see Proposal 2)
- Ensuring that temporary signage does not significantly reduce pavement width and work with contractors, utilities and developers to ensure signs are placed in carriageway when they will not pose risk to other road users
- Review the role of pavement obstructions in incidences of trips, falls and claims against the City Corporation

Proposal 18: Keep pedestrian crossings clear of vehicles

We will work with TfL and London Councils to lobby the Government to change the Highway Code and introduce new legislation to prevent queuing vehicles blocking pedestrian crossings. Any new offences should be decriminalised to allow civil enforcement through issuing a penalty charge notice (PCN).

While awaiting legislative change, we will encourage drivers to leave crossings clear through targeted campaigns and trialling changes to crossing design, such as coloured markings or box junction style hatching.

Proposal 19: Support and Undergound stations

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We will work with TfL to prioritise investment in accessibility improvements to Underground