

Appendix 3 – Summary of the consultation and the engagement carried out to date

1. During the period of late 2021 and early 2022, a meeting was held with stakeholders to discuss the opportunities as well as the next steps of the Devonshire Square project. These stakeholders included Palmers Green Action Team, Arbeit Studios Green Lanes, Le Grand Jour, Olive Cafe, Fakin It, Better Streets, and Fox Lane Resident's Association.
2. After the Experimental Traffic Order (ETO) was implemented, communications and engagement activities with the wider community regarding the project included:
 - In September 2023 the Devonshire Square Communication, Engagement and Consultation Plan was published on the Let's Talk page, which outlines the communications, consultation, and engagement activities that will be undertaken next to inform the community and stakeholders about the Devonshire Square project.
 - An interactive map was created in October 2023 where the community had the opportunity to share their ideas for Devonshire Square with Enfield Council. The map remained open until 30 November 2023.
 - A Stakeholder's reflection session (PGAT & Arbeit) took place in October 2023, and feedback was gathered, and it will inform any the future designs.
 - A pop-up event was held during the market day on Devonshire Square on Saturday 14 October 2023, and provided an opportunity for Enfield Council to share the latest updates on Devonshire Square, and the plans to make this a permanent public square and a community space.
 - Emails inviting feedback were sent to the key stakeholders namely Palmers Green Action Team, Arbeit Studios, and Better Streets for Enfield.
 - Ward Cllrs have been provided information about the project to share with the community at their respective ward forums.
3. Feedback from the community as well as stakeholders suggests a successful use of the space, including an increase in footfall within the square area. Some feedback included suggestions on how the space can be improved further, and these comments will be taken into consideration when designs for the permanent space are being developed.
4. A variety of uses have taken place at the square during the experimental period. These included running regular community markets, live music, and performance events, public art, greening, and outdoor dining/hospitality square events.
5. The Notice of making of the ETO was published on 31 August 2022. The ETO came into operation on 8 September 2022, with the statutory period for representations and objections ending six months from the date on which the

Experimental Traffic Order (ETO) came into force. Four objections have been received during the six months of the consultation period. Common themes included:

- Processes and decision-making
- Consultation process
- Design and safety
- Loading and unloading impact
- Miscellaneous

6. Comments around the safety of young children, project rationale, and impact on loading and unloading on Devonshire Road, were raised in feedback received. The Council has carefully considered representations and objections received during the consultation period. An overview of the responses received can be found in **Table 1** below. Further details of objections received as well as a response to these can be found on the Let's Talk page hereⁱ.

Table 1: An overview of objections received during the statutory consultation period

Number of responses	There was a total of four objections to the statutory consultation and these were received via email. No paper objections have been received.
Demographics	As the responses received were sent via email, therefore, it was not possible to assess the demographic data of the respondents.
Location	The respondents did not provide postcodes; however, responses mention proximity to the project; it is therefore assumed that all 4 respondents live in the Palmers Green ward.

7. Further engagement has taken place since. In March 2024, a community market took place, where residents and visitors were invited to contribute their thoughts and ideas and help shape the redevelopment of Devonshire Square, a new cultural and community space for Palmers Green. Designs for the new square are currently being developed. Enfield Council also invited residents and business owners to view the proposed design for Devonshire Square and share their views at an event on the 24th of May; and an online survey was hosted from the 10th of May until the 2nd of June, on the Palmers Green Town Centre project page at <https://letstalk.enfield.gov.uk/PalmersGreen>. In addition, a session was held with representatives of disability groups including Enfield Vision, to review the concept design for the space.

ⁱ [Key Documents | Palmers Green Town Centre | Let's Talk Enfield](#)