Response to TfL Consultation (21/7/17 to 1/9/17) - Proposed changes at the A21 Bromley Road / Crantock Road junction

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We are opposed to these changes as they appear to have limited benefits for pedestrians and no benefits for cyclists. The improvements mainly seem to be designed to just improve traffic flow which isn't a particular problem in this area.

Specific comments:

- 1) Although the cycle ASLs are improved by being deeper there are no 'lead-in' lanes to enable access to them through queuing traffic so they are of very limited benefit to cyclists.
- 2) Under the scheme the Crantock Road arm of the junction still doesn't have a protected crossing for pedestrians.
- 3) London Borough of Lewisham and Lewisham Cyclists have this year committed to work together with TfL to design and implement segregated cycle lane provision along the full length of the A21 from Downham to Lewisham Town Centre. As such we believe junction improvement projects along the A21 should be taking these plans into account <u>now</u> rather than them being re-worked in a few years' time.
- 4) In the same area of Lewisham TfL consulted on improvements to the A21 Canadian Avenue junction back in January 2014 'Cycle and pedestrian improvements on the A21 Bromley Road from its junction with Canadian Avenue and Bargery Road, to Culverley Road'. We generally welcomed these improvements which included segregated cycle lanes on the A21 and a protected cycle crossing on the East-West cycle route that is currently severely dislocated by the A21. However as of 14/11/2016 this project seems to be waiting funding. We feel that any monies available would be much better spent on the Canadian Avenue project than the flawed Crantock Road one.

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