



NEW CROSSINGS

We are Living Streets, the UK charity for everyday walking. We want to create a walking nation where people of all generations enjoy the benefits that this simple act brings, on streets fit for walking.



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Think you need a new crossing in your area? Here's a handy guide on what to do and who to ask for help. As a campaigner your role is to establish a clear need for the crossing with the backing of the local community with the aim of getting the Council to do a survey of the proposed site.

It is a challenging task to request and get a pedestrian crossing implemented. It is important that you develop strong alliances and build support to help you achieve your objective.

Here is an example of what the process might involve and what you can do to help make it happen. The process may vary in different councils.

CAMPAIGNER'S ROLE

Establish need based on:

- Speaking to local people- do a survey of local views and pedestrian and vehicle flow (link to an example)
- Researching casualty/collision statistics
- Trip generators e.g. shop, service, school
- Take photographs

Find out

- What sort of crossing you want
 - Consult our guide on what crossing is suitable for your area
- Who makes the decision
 - If you live in an area served by a town or parish council you may need their support before approaching the County council. Likewise you may need to gain local borough support in London before approaching TfL if they manage the road.

START YOUR CAMPAIGN

Here is some information about the process Councils may use to deal with a request for a pedestrian crossing and what you should do at each stage.

CAMPAIGNERS' ROLE

1. Go to your council website and search 'pedestrian crossing'
2. You will either be able to enter the details into a form or send them an email

3. Use the information you have gathered above
 | Speak to your local councillor and get them on board.

**4.
 What type of council do you have?**

<p>Town or parish</p> <p>Follow information about Town/Parish councils to understand what the Council does with your request.</p> <p>Town or parish council undertake local community exercise to gain feedback</p> <p>Town/parish council write to relevant highway/transport team</p>	<p>Metropolitan, London borough or Unitary authority</p> <p>Refer to information about all councils to understand what the Council does with your request.</p>
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*At this point you could ask other people who support the need for a crossing to submit feedback to the consultation

Council’s role

All councils

- **Traffic Management section acknowledge receipt of and maintains register of requests**
- **Site assessed by senior traffic engineer to see if proposal justifies a full survey**

Either	
<p>The Engineer decides that the site does not justify going forward-report provided to parish/town council or individual requesting the crossings.</p>	<p>Or the Engineer judges it suitable for a full survey to be undertaken</p> <p>Full survey undertaken considering: Pedestrian count Vehicle count Collision and casualty history Difficulty crossing the road</p> <p>Engineer determines assesses what the appropriate and safe thing to do is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do nothing • Provide a crossing

	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Placed on list in priority rank order2. Once list is provided to committee the list is closed for that year3. New requests for pedestrian crossings will not be ranked until the following financial year4. Depending on new requests your request may move up or down the list.
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*At this stage you could consider writing to the local press to outline if you disagree with the Engineer's assessment. You could work with your networks to create a letter that everyone signs up to if you disagree with the outcome of the survey. You could include the name of the main representative of each group and their logo. You may have already spoken to the council about identifying funds for the crossings. However if this has not happened or you find the crossings is very far down the list you could apply media pressure or coordinate a letter from all of the people supporting the request to ask them to move the crossing higher up the list.