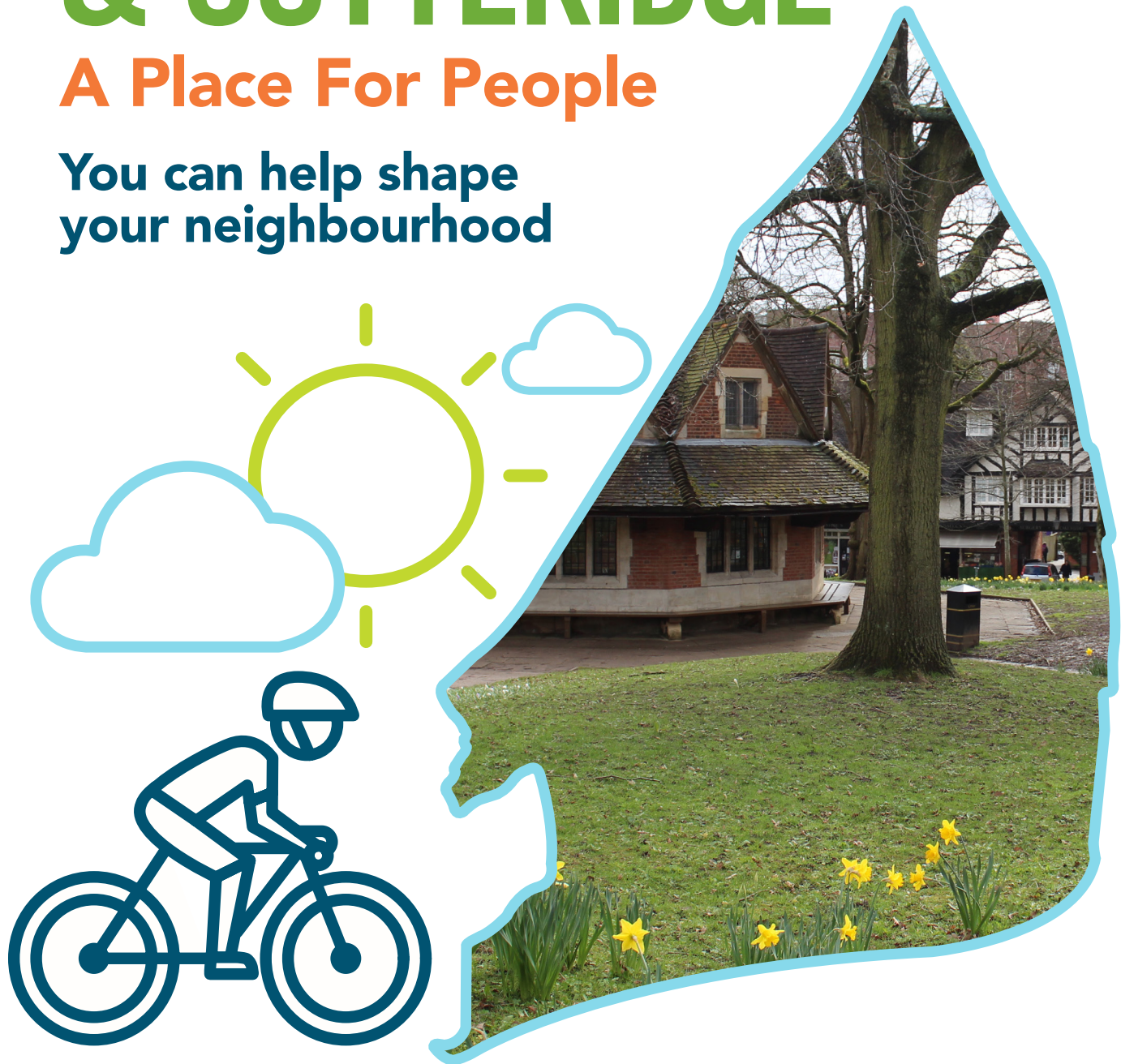


# BOURNVILLE & COTTERIDGE

## A Place For People

You can help shape  
your neighbourhood



**A BOLDER  
GREENER  
BIRMINGHAM**

Consultation closes on **2 July 2023**



Places for People in Bournville and Cotteridge aims to reduce traffic in residential neighbourhoods so that it is safer for people to walk and cycle, and nicer to be outside for children to play and neighbours to chat.

In line with one of the main principles of the Birmingham Transport Plan<sup>1</sup> - **Prioritising active travel in local neighbourhoods**, we want to reduce the speed, volume and dominance of vehicular traffic to create “Places for People” - part of a go-anywhere network so that people can use active travel, if able, to access local services, shops, schools, etc, or to connect with the transit network for longer onward journeys.

The principle of Places for People is that residents can continue to drive onto their street, have visitors, get deliveries, etc, but it is made harder to drive straight through the area. Individuals are asked to reconsider their mode of transport for those shorter journeys within their local area. Bournville & Cotteridge ward has three railway stations nearby (Bournville, Kings Norton and Selly Oak), key bus routes to the city centre and other local centres, and access to existing cycle infrastructure including the A38 segregated cycle route and National Cycle Network route 5.

## The story so far

In 2020 and 2021 as part of the Emergency Active Travel Fund Tranche 1 we delivered early demonstration measures, with two modal filters being installed on Oak Tree Lane and Franklin Road.

The Experimental Traffic Regulation Orders (ETROs) for these modal filters were made permanent on 11 April 2022. Objections made to the ETROs were reviewed in line with usual procedures and Cabinet Member approval was received, in anticipation of a wider scheme being developed.

In August and September 2022, informal drop-in ‘street surgeries’ were held in Bournville & Cotteridge ward to gain insights into the issues that residents and businesses would like to be considered as part of the concept design.

## You said, we did

Across the six street surgeries and email responses, the following were the most frequent comments noted:

- Support for an area-wide 20 mph zone across the study area
- Concerns over Linden Road and Franklin Road junction
- Inequality of the modal filters
- The Oak Tree Lane modal filter appears to be more supported
- The Franklin Road modal filter was more strongly opposed
- Improved connectivity and infrastructure for cyclists
- Create a more holistic approach to traffic calming

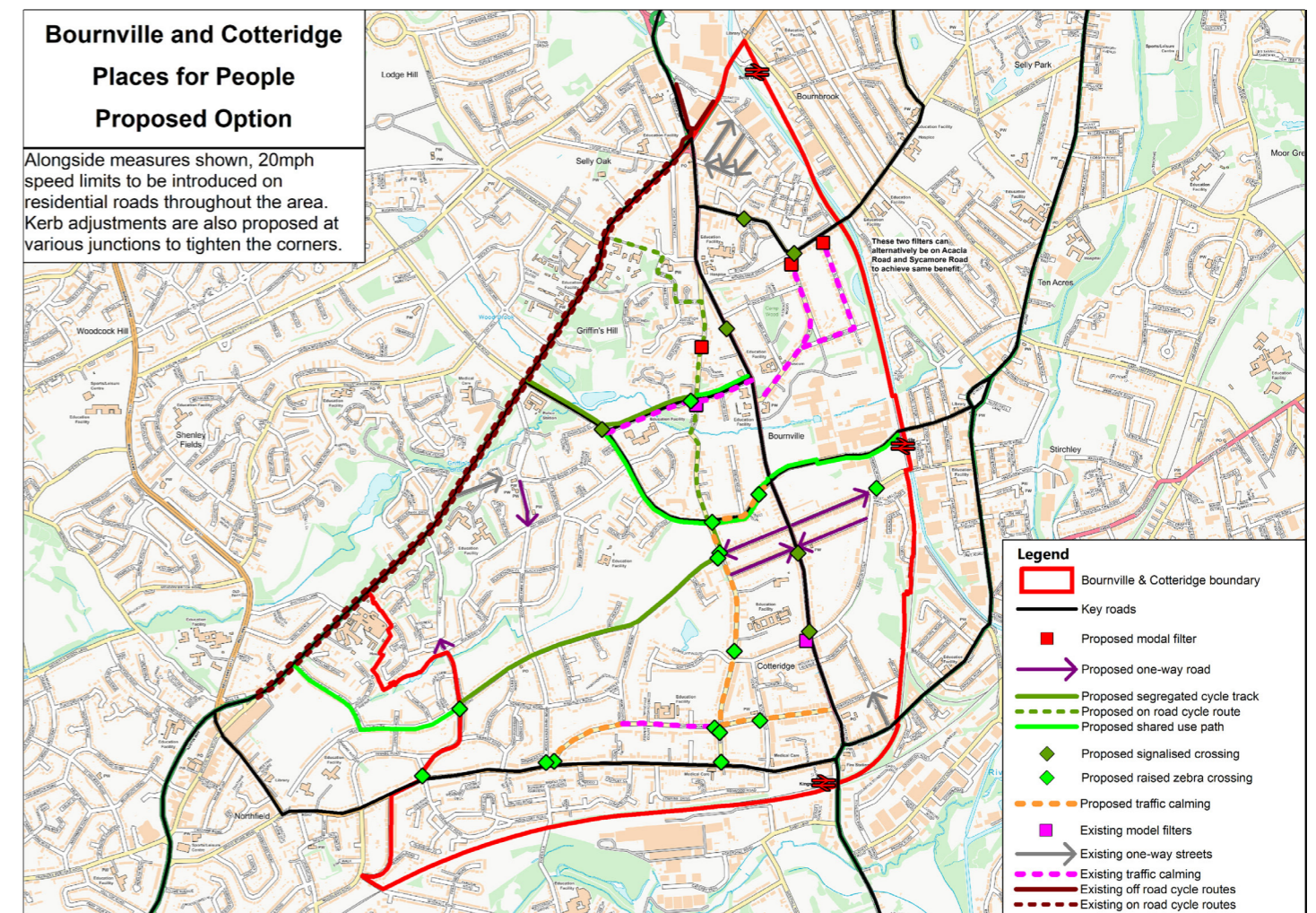
We have taken on board the feedback received from the first phase of measures delivered in 2020, as well as the feedback received at street surgeries in August/September 2022 regarding what people would like to see from the project and current issues. This feedback, alongside our technical review, has helped shape the measures that we are now consulting on as part of the formal consultation process.

## What now?

We are presenting the proposed option. The plan shows where a measure might be placed but does not include the detail of exactly how it would be arranged. This can be discussed at a later stage in the scheme design process.

<sup>1</sup> [www.birmingham.gov.uk/transportplan](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/transportplan)

## Key features explained:



**Modal filter** – A bollard (or planter) that stops vehicles driving all the way along a street whilst retaining full access for pedestrians and cyclists.

**One-way streets** – Streets that only allow traffic in one direction, access for critical amenities, such as shops and schools is maintained.

**Segregated cycle track** – Segregated cycle routes allocate a section of the carriageway/footway for cycle use only. Some physical separation is often used to stop motor vehicles from entering the space.

**On street cycle route** – A section of street suitable for cyclists to mix with general traffic, due to low vehicle speed and volume.

**Shared use path** – A shared path is designed for all types of users including pedestrians, wheelchair users and cyclists. Shared paths may be identified by signs showing a white bicycle and pedestrians on a blue background.

**Signalised crossing** – Crossings that are controlled by traffic signals for pedestrians, cyclists and vehicles, often used where vehicle speeds are high or where there is a high number of pedestrians and cyclists.

**Raised zebra/parallel crossing** – Raised zebra crossings combine traffic calming measures with pedestrian crossings, raised parallel crossings include the provision for cyclists to cross without having to dismount. These crossings encourage drivers to travel at their slowest where pedestrians and cyclists are crossing.

**Kerb adjustments at junction** – The corners of the kerb line at junctions are tightened, which forces vehicles to navigate the junction at a slower speed, widens the footway at the junction, and reduces the crossing distance for pedestrians.

**Traffic Calming** – Measures such as speed cushions, speed humps and chicanes can be introduced to keep a street open to all traffic but to discourage its use by those who don't need to use it for local trips.



## Next steps

Following this consultation, we will create a final, detailed design.

## Have your say

To have your say on the latest proposals in your neighbourhood go to:  
[www.birminghambeheard.org.uk/economy/bournvillecotteridgefp](http://www.birminghambeheard.org.uk/economy/bournvillecotteridgefp)

For more information about Places for People please visit:  
[www.birmingham.gov.uk/placesforpeople](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/placesforpeople)

Event	Date & Time
Teams live event  (sign up link available on the Be Heard page)	Wednesday 14 June 2023 5.30 p.m. - 6.30 p.m.
Public drop-in events	
Dame Elizabeth Hall, Firbank Close B30 1UA	Saturday 24 June 2023 10.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m.
Selly Oak Methodist Church, Langleys Road, B29 6HT	Tuesday 20 June 2023 4.00 p.m. - 7.00 p.m.

There are paper copies of the survey and a box for completed surveys at:  
 The Bookshop on the Green, Bournville Hub, B30 2AA  
 (opening hours Wednesday - Saturday 9.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.)  
 for people who are unable to access the information online.

**Note: We are also currently developing a local safety scheme at the junction of Selly Oak Road and Bournville Lane. This scheme is independent of the Bournville & Cotteridge Places for People scheme as it is funded separately and will be subject to further consultation.**

