

Canbury and Riverside Association

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Kingsgate development Canbury Place Car Park and Kingsgate Road



One southbound lane on Richmond Road may be PERMANENTLY removed. You have a short time to give your comments to the council.

The plan, which is going to a special council committee, could be approved by Christmas. This new application for the development of the Canbury Place Car Park/Kingsgate Road site, will turn one of the three southbound Richmond Road traffic lanes leading into Kingston at the Gala Bingo Junction into a northbound direction lane.

Anyone who has experienced travelling into Kingston from the Richmond direction in the last few weeks, when one lane under the railway bridge had been closed, will have witnessed the delays caused by only having two southbound lanes. Also the plan includes changes to pedestrian crossings and the cycle lane. These could increase safety problems for users.

CARA residents should have received a letter from the Council at the end of October suggesting we read a 1,000 plus page planning application and environmental statement (hard copy of planning document available for £400!) explaining the scheme. Having digested all this planning jargon, we are invited to send in our **Comments and/or Objections** (via link below) by 27th November.

Following are links to:

North Kingston Forum summary of key changes since previous submission (pdf file)

Planning Application in full

Make a Comment on the Planning Application

Planning Statement Addendum (pdf file)

And some cheerier news... CARA Christmas drinks party

At <u>The Boaters Inn</u> on Thursday 12th December 7:00 to 9:00 pm. All are welcome, just get your drinks at the bar and join us for an informal chat.



CARA membership 2024/2025



Please note, if your CARA membership card shows 2023/2024, your membership lapsed on 31st August. Membership is only £10 per year, and the following link takes you to details of <u>CARA membership and renewals</u>.

Thanks to your past membership, we have been able to keep residents updated via both the CARA newsletters and the monthly CARA eNews, as well as organise events, sponsor bandstand concerts and contribute to work in Canbury Gardens. And it would be great if you decide to continue your support.

And don't forget the discounts CARA members receive at The Boaters Inn, The Queen's Head and Doubletree Hilton, all of which will be detailed with your 2024/2025 membership card.

Finally, if you have any query relating to your past or present membership, please email cara.kingston@gmail.com