Newham High Streets Programme Phase 1: Manor Park Project Delivery Tracker

Summer 2022

The Newham High Street Programme launched in September 2020.

The Newham High Streets Phase 1 Report was published in June 2021 and included the **Manor Park High Street Delivery Plan (PDF)**.

The Delivery Plan was developed through a community co-design process and incorporates project ideas suggested by local residents and businesses.

The tables below provide an update on the progress made in progressing some of the project recommendations after one year since the publication of the Delivery Plan. The Council has focused on progressing the ideas that were most popular with local communities during community engagement.

Recommendation A. Improve Air Quality & Support Active Travel behaviour in and around Manor Park

Project Idea(s)	Description of Project Idea(s) in Delivery Plan	Update on Progress (Summer 2022)
>Manage Traffic & Enable Active Travel >Manor Park Cycles	Investigate feasible ways to prioritise pedestrians and cyclists along Station Road and adjacent streets. Support local trips to Manor Park town centre by bicycle.	The 'Woodgrange and Capel' Low Traffic Neighbourhood is being prepared for installation. In addition, design work is underway on the upgrade of the experimental modal filters for the adjacent 'Atherton' Low Traffic Neighbourhood, including the modal filter on Earlham Grove.
>Redesign the Station Road & Romford Road Junction >Safe Romford Road Crossings	The junction of Romford Road with Station Road and High Street North needs to become more pedestrian-friendly and accessible. Make crossing Romford Road safer for pedestrians, and specifically children walking or cycling to school.	The Levelling Up Fund Programme will include creation of a Romford Road Active Travel Corridor by 2024. This will include a redesigned junction at Station Road alongside other to increase safety for pedestrians and cyclists.

Recommendation B. Make the areas on and around the high street greener and improve people's mental & physical health through gardening

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>Greening Manor Park	Increase the levels of greenery and trees on and around Station Road town centre.	Three urban greening projects have been supported through the 2021/22 Community Assembly Programme: 1. Street Planters, 2. Trees for Avenues and 3. Street Trees
		Additionally, Levelling Up Fund Programme funding for further urban greening to be installed throughout 2022-2024.
> Manor Park Community Garden	Work with local residents to identify potential ways forward to keep this space as an inclusive community asset and activate it for gardening, meeting, and play.	Manor Park Community Garden has been supported through the 2021/22 Community Assembly Programme.

Recommendation C. Improve the look and feel of the high street and support better experiences while walking down Station Road & High Street North

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>Colours of Manor Park	Develop a programme of murals highlighting the history and identity of Manor Park.	The Levelling Up Fund Programme will include a 'Colours of Manor Park' project. This will include the installation of a community co-designed mural alongside enhancement to the façade of the building above Manor Park Library.
>Evening Lights	Improve lighting in darker corners of Station Road, around the station, parts of High Street North and Romford Road to increase safety during the evening.	The Shape Newham project 'Light House' will be installed in late 2022 on the junction of Greenhill Grove / Romford Road and will include hanging lanterns lighting up this dark spot near the bus stop and community noticeboard.

Recommendation D. Activate specific civic buildings & open spaces to encourage civic participation, pride, and community activities

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>Community Cafe & Arts Space	Activate the vacant lot across the Manor Park Station to create a Community Cafe with a space for arts & culture inclusive for all.	The Levelling Up Fund Programme will include a 10 year meanwhile use project for this plot of land. A development partner will be appointed who will work with the local community to develop the project including the offer and design. The project is due to open to the public mid-2024.
>Manor Park Library	Realise improvements on Manor Park's library building and expand its community use and cultural offer.	The Levelling Up Fund Programme will include a 'Colours of Manor Park' project. This will include enhancements to the façade of the building above Manor Park Library alongside installation of a new mural.

Recommendation E. Support a small pool of businesses to grow on Station Road and attract local customers

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>Sunday Market	Temporary road closure to facilitate a local Sunday Market	A Community Market for Manor Park has been supported through the 2021/22 Community Assembly Programme.
>Shopfront Improvement Guide	Shopfront uplifts can be a long and costly undertaking. However, providing guidance can help organise the look	The refresh of the Local Plan will include a new policy on shopfronts and advertising setting out basic principles of good shop fronts.
	and feel of shopfronts, improve business and the overall appearance of the street.	Additionally Council Officers continue to explore opportunities for external grant funding schemes that could provide funding to support businesses to improve the appearances of shopfronts.

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>Playground	There are limited play spaces for children and young people in the vicinity of Station Road. Investigate opportunities for a playground to be introduced in the area.	The Council has discussed the idea of a playground in the suggested location owned by City of London. However this will not be possible as the land is protected for environmental reasons. There is currently an audit of existing play opportunities and strategy for future play provision as part of the local plan refresh, which may identify alternative requirements and options for play provision in Manor Park.
>Sunday Play Street	Organise a Sunday Play Street through temporary road closures.	The Council will support parents, guardians and neighbours to create "Play Streets", which can be closed to traffic for up to four hours during daylight, allowing children to enjoy supervised play in the public space closest to their homes. Residents wishing to create a "Play Streets" will be supported through the process by their Community Neighbourhood teams.

Recommendation H. Increase safety in and around Manor Park and ensure people feel safe to walk during all hours of the day and evening

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>Increase Safety on Romford Road	Improve levels of safety along Romford Road by addressing issues of ASB and crime.	The vicinity of Romford Road has been visited daily by both Community Safety Enforcement Officers and LBN Funded Police Team every day to combat general anti-social behaviour, fly tipping, street drinking, as well as prostitution.

CCTV has been monitored and details of vehicle registration numbers of drivers suspected of 'kerb crawling' have been shared with Police colleagues who have issued warning letters in order to deter the purchase of sex and sex working. VAWG and Sex Worker Strategies have been recorded and this location features as part of the Action Plan. Neighbourhood Policing Teams have also commenced an operation to deter sex working and refer workers to services.

The location is a recognised as a Hot Spot for the Improving Borough Cleanliness Project.

The area is also covered by the Borough wide Public Space Protection Order linked to alcohol related ASB.