20 questions you could ask Transport for London about their proposal for the Elephant and Castle Roundabout?

1. Why is the cycle superhighway crossing London Road and St George's Road not incorporated in your scheme despite its route being within the boundaries of your diagram?

2. Why are you not making use of any more adjacent quiet side roads for cyclists to use (e.g. Princess Street, Elephant Road, Ontario Street, Rockingham Street, Brook Drive?)

3. How will pedestrians and cyclists safely share the “Cycle Link” on the peninsula as they flow against each other?

4. Do you differentiate between confident road-going cyclists and less confident cycle lane users? If so how does this design reflect that segregation?

5. Why is green infrastructure being heavily included in your promotion but intended to be part of a separate consultation in summer 2014?

6. Why are the two huge new LED advertising hoardings on the roundabout missing in your visualizations? Is the council seriously considering giving up this income having just granted them permission in 2013?

7. Why must four mature trees be felled?

8. How does creating a peninsula in place of roundabout help improve the flow of road users and pedestrians at this busy junction?

9. Are you intending to change the use of the junction from one that is primarily a place to pass through to one that is a place to hang out?

10. Do you think people will really want to hangout next to six lanes of chugging ring road traffic?

11. Why must London Road have three extra lanes, two new ones for motorists?

12. Why must you remove pavement a whole lane wide on the south side of London Road, along with three mature trees?

13. Why is it acceptable to make London’s inner ring road bigger at this junction?

14. Why is it acceptable to increase air pollution by any amount at this junction? What are you doing to mitigate it for residents and users?

15. Why can’t you make pedestrian journeys here quicker instead of slower as this proposal will make almost all of them?

16. How many of these new pedestrian crossings let me cross the whole road in one go?

17. How much time will people have to cross the road at all these junctions? How many seconds on green, how many on red?

18. What provision are you making for the increased pedestrian congestion at the bus stops where you are shrinking the pavements at (1) London Road south side (2) Newington Causeway west side (3) Elephant & Castle west side (your option B).

19. Will buses on the Elephant & Castle Road, St George’s Road, New Kent Road and Newington Causeway be forced to queue in their lane? If so how will this affect bus journey times? If not, how will you avoid congestion or collisions, particularly with cyclists heading north at the Elephant & Castle road?

20. What are you planning to do to preserve, recreate or replace the murals in the seven subways or the colourful tile work designed by LCC students in the 1990s?

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