



Piccadilly Two Way Scheme

“...Improving accessibility and enhancing the streetscape of Piccadilly, Piccadilly Circus, St. James’s Street and Pall Mall...”

Your questions answered

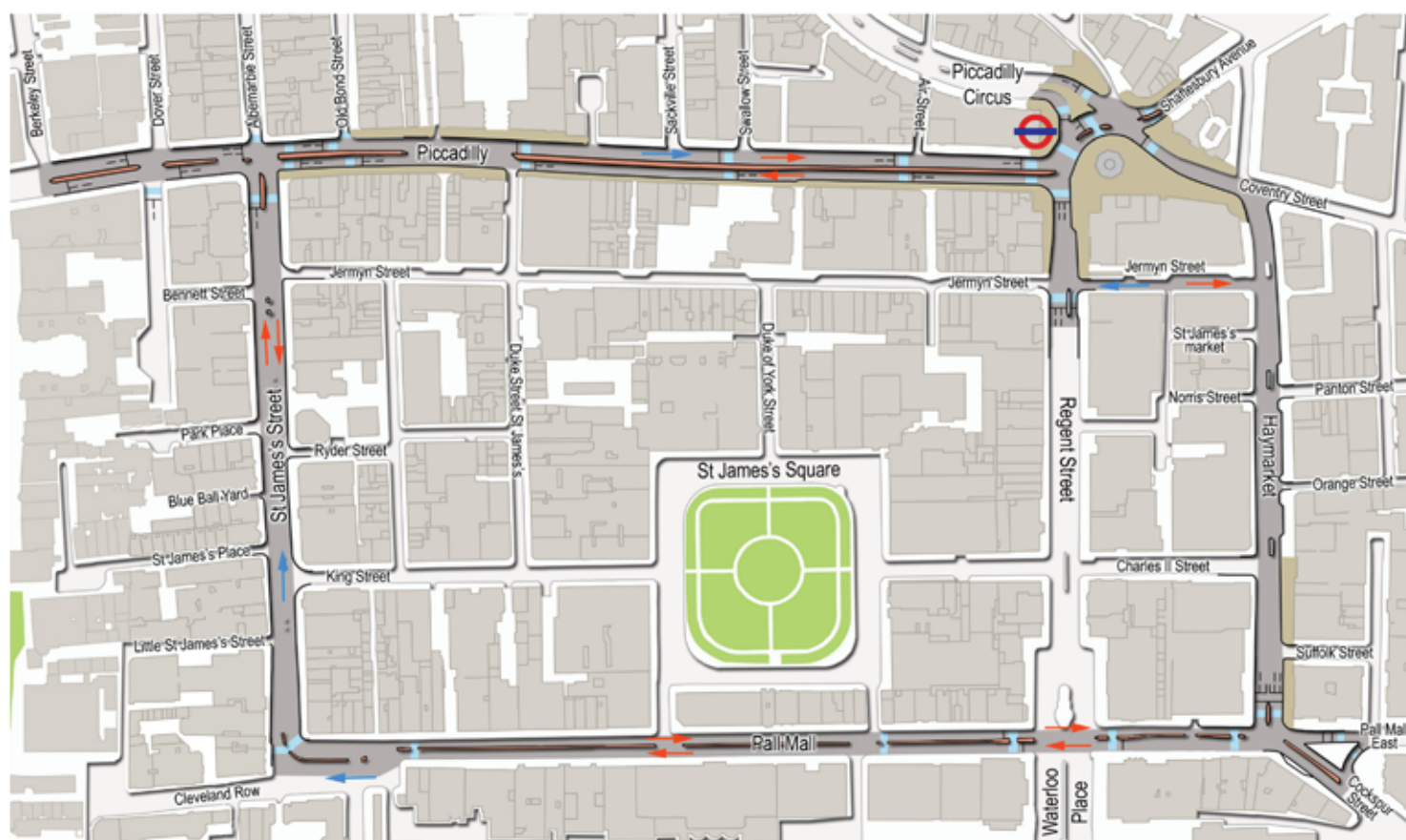
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Overview

The Piccadilly Two Way Scheme is one of Westminster City Council's "Living City" pledges. The scheme will see the existing one-way working of Pall Mall, St James's Street and Piccadilly being converted to two-way working with significant improvement to the public realm. The scheme will smooth traffic flow creating a more user friendly, clutter free and accessible environment for all road users. The scheme will be introduced by the council working in partnership with Transport for London and The Crown Estate and has already received the support of property owners and businesses in the area.

What are the benefits?

- Pedestrians will benefit from more footway space, better pedestrian crossing arrangements and the removal of guard railing at Piccadilly Circus and along Piccadilly.
- Street lighting will be improved and will be placed on existing and new central islands along Pall Mall and Piccadilly to create boulevards.
- The general clutter on footways will be removed and quality materials will be used to make the area, particularly Piccadilly, Pall Mall, St James's Street and Piccadilly Circus, a more attractive place to visit and to be in.
- Two-way traffic operation and better traffic signal arrangements at Piccadilly Circus and the St James's Street junction will smooth traffic movement and reduce delays for cars, buses and taxis and for deliveries which will reduce costs to businesses.



- Direction of existing traffic
- Direction of proposed traffic

- Proposed York stone paving
- Proposed granite sett paving
- Pedestrian crossings



Existing photo of Piccadilly Circus

What materials are being used?

- High quality materials will be used to enhance the streetscape and the public realm. This will include the use of natural York stone in the repaved footways along Piccadilly and granite setts in the central islands of Piccadilly and Pall Mall.
- Granite kerbs will be used throughout the scheme.

What will it look like?

The artist's impressions in this leaflet give an indication of how local environments will be improved and what the improved pavements and changes to street furnishings will look like. The central islands will house new 10m tall Grey Wornum lamp columns which will be combined with traffic signals and road signs to reduce street clutter.



Artist's impression of Piccadilly Circus



Existing photo of Waterloo Place



Artist's impression of Waterloo Place

How much will these works cost and who's paying?

The overall cost of the Piccadilly Two Way Scheme will be approximately £14m including design and development costs and the costs of the quality materials that will be used in construction. Transport for London is contributing £7m to the scheme, The Crown Estate is providing a further £3.5m with the council contributing the remaining £3.5m.

Will the works cause me any inconvenience and can I claim compensation?

There will inevitably be some inconvenience during the construction works but the programme has been structured to minimise this wherever possible and access to residences and businesses will be maintained at all times. Public highway improvements are permitted under legislation without compensation for inconvenience.

How long will it take?

- Construction of the Piccadilly Two Way Scheme will commence in August 2010 with the works on Pall Mall to introduce the improved street lighting arrangements and new central islands (which will then be ready to allow for the later two-way traffic operation).
- The main construction works will move to Piccadilly Circus towards the end of 2010 (work will **not** take place over Christmas 2010) and then on to the Piccadilly/ St James's Street junction and the Haymarket / Cockspur Street junction at the beginning of 2011 with the works on Piccadilly to be the final phase.
- The works are scheduled to be completed by the end of November 2011 in advance of Christmas and ready for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and London 2012 Olympic Games.
- The Haymarket section of the scheme does not form part of the current construction programme and will not be introduced until the London 2012 Olympic Games have finished.

Contact information

The council will display site notices at the start of each phase of the work. We are keen to hear from local businesses so that works can be programmed to try and minimise disruption to you.

For more information on the Piccadilly Two Way Scheme or to leave a comment or provide information about your business and its delivery times please visit the Piccadilly Two Way webpage at: www.westminster.gov.uk/p2w

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