

Automatic number plate recognition cameras in Cowley and east Oxford low traffic neighbourhoods

“From Friday 17 May the automatic number plate recognition (ANPR) cameras at six strategic points within the Cowley and east Oxford low traffic neighbourhoods (LTNs) are operational.

“The cameras have been installed to replace the LTN bollards on Crescent Road, Littlehay Road, and Littlemore Road in Cowley; and Divinity Road, James Street and Magdalen Road in east Oxford. This follows feedback from local people, service providers and the emergency services – and allows emergency vehicles, taxis, private hire vehicles and public service vehicles to pass through more easily. All other motor traffic remains restricted from passing the camera points.

“LTNs are intended to make residential streets safer and more comfortable for walking, wheeling, and cycling. They are designed to work with other measures (including the traffic filters trial due to start this autumn) to improve public transport, walking and cycling; making travel easier in Oxford. We continue to monitor the LTNs and evaluate their impact.

“As confirmed in the [cabinet member decision in June 2023](#), these exemptions should provide a benefit to local people and residents and continue to support the intended aims of the LTNs; and will be kept under review. We will continue to monitor vehicle activity including traffic count and speed as a part of this review. The LTN ANPR exemptions are due to be reviewed once the traffic filter trial is underway at the end of this year. If there is cause for concern, the county council will consider removing exemptions for certain individuals/businesses or vehicle groups.”

Notes:

- The switch on date previously indicated was provisional subject to satisfactory installation and testing. There were some delays in materials supply.
 - More on the LTN ANPR cameras: oxfordshire.gov.uk/council-prepares-to-install-enforcement-cameras-within-six-low-traffic-neighbourhoods/
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