

Report on the results of road and resident surveys on whether the closure of the junction of Dulwich Village, Court Lane and Calton Avenue should be made permanent

Southwark Council is currently carrying out a consultation on the temporary traffic restrictions imposed in Dulwich in response to the Covid emergency. Central to these restrictions is the 24/7 closure of the junction of Dulwich Village, Court Lane and Calton Avenue to all motorised vehicles.

As you can see in the [engagement plan](#), the Council has encouraged local residents and residents' associations to respond to the consultation.

Ten roads in the Dulwich Village area have carried out surveys to establish the views of their residents. These residents – from Court Lane and Court Lane Gardens, Eynella Road, Eastlands Crescent, Woodward Road, Dovercourt Road North, East Dulwich Grove, Turney Road, Burbage Road, Croxted Road and Dulwich Village (the road) – are directly affected by the road closures in the Dulwich Village LTN and have first-hand knowledge of the impact.

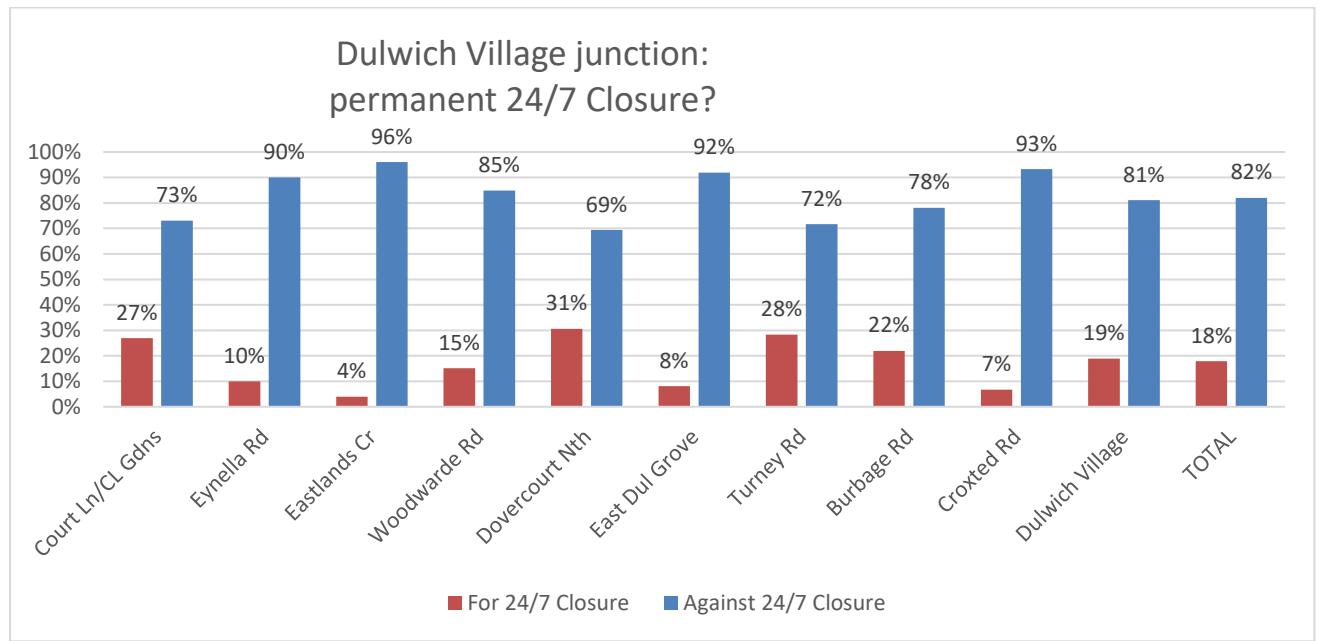
The roads have used various methods to carry out the surveys – a combination of leaflets, emails and personal visits and, in the case of East Dulwich Grove a professional research firm paid for by local residents. They have endeavoured to reach as many households in their streets as possible, and this has resulted in a high response rate, providing an excellent view of what local residents think.

In total there were more than 800 responses, the majority of them representing a single household. In other words, these 800 responses represent a significantly larger number of people in the local area.

The results of the individual surveys have been sent to Southwark as formal responses to the consultation. They have also been shared locally. A summary of the results that relate specifically to the junction of Dulwich Village, Court Lane and Calton Avenue is shown in the three graphs below.

1) Do residents want the 24/7 closure of Dulwich Village junction to be made permanent?

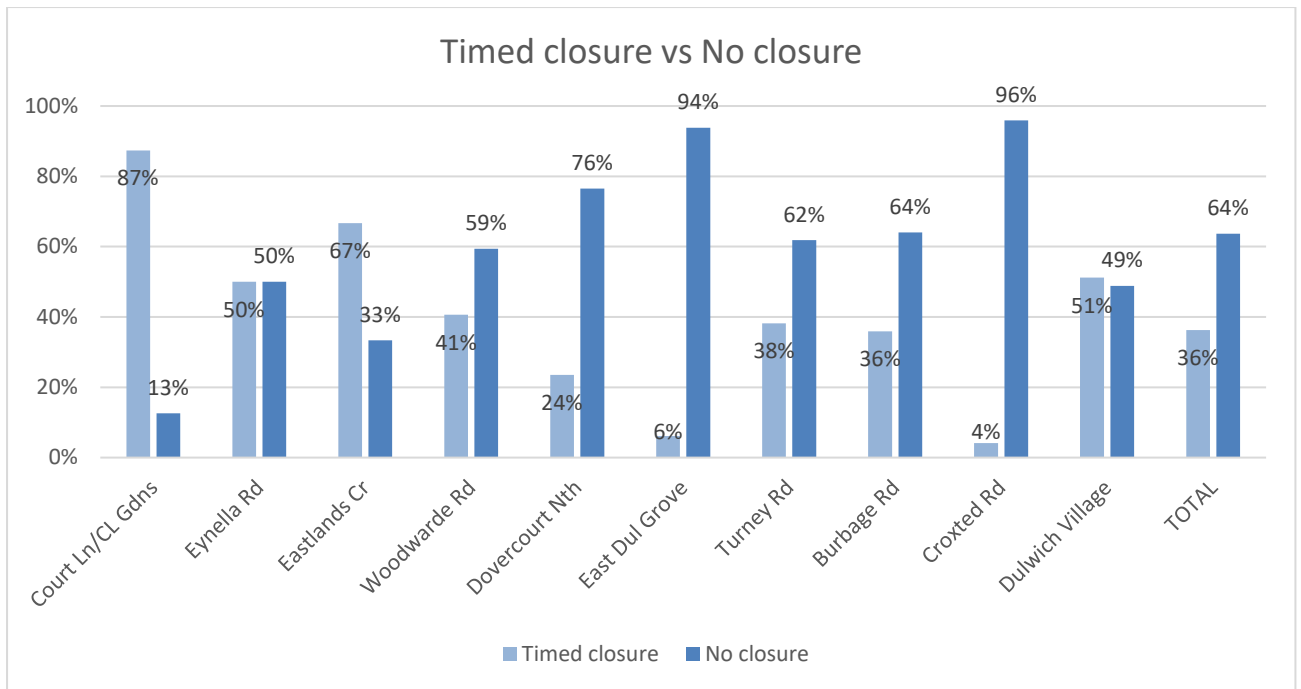
This graph shows the split between respondents for and against making the temporary closure of Dulwich Village junction permanent:



From these results it is clear that there is very little local support for making the temporary closure of Dulwich Village junction to motorised vehicles permanent. In total only 18% of the responses wished for the current closure to be made permanent and 82% wished for the current closure to be either removed or replaced with alternative measures.

2) Do those not in favour of 24/7 closure of the junction prefer timed closures?

Focusing on the majority not in favour of a permanent 24/7 closure of Dulwich Village junction, this graph shows the split between those who prefer timed closures at this location as opposed to those who prefer no closure at all:



In this case the situation is less clear cut: some roads favour keeping the junction open while others would prefer to see timed closures only at the busiest times.

Some road surveys asked their residents a number of detailed questions about alternative options to 24/7 closure, including not only timed closures but also 24/7 closure with exemptions for residents and carers. However, because these questions were asked by only a few road surveys, the results are not included here.

3) Detailed analysis of options

For information, the following table and graph show the number of responses split between the three options used in all the surveys about the junction of Dulwich Village, Court Lane and Calton Avenue:

- A. make the closure permanent
- B. open with timed restrictions
- C. open with no restrictions

No of responses (excludes undecided and split households)	Close permanently	Open with timed restrictions	Open with no restrictions	Total
Court Lane/Court Lane Gdns	35	83	12	130
Eynella Road	2	9	9	20
Eastlands Crescent	1	16	8	25
Woodwarde Road	18	41	60	119
Dovercourt North	15	8	26	49
East Dulwich Grove	10	7	107	124
Turney Road	30	29	47	106
Burbage Road	18	23	41	82
Croxted Road	7	4	94	105
Dulwich Village	10	22	21	53
TOTAL	146	242	425	813
TOTAL as %	18%	30%	52%	100%

