

Request for an Urgent Road Safety Review of Queen Anne Avenue, Bromley

To:

Bromley Council – Highways & Transport
Bromley Civic Centre
Churchill Court 2
Westmoreland Road
Bromley BR1 1AS

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing as a resident/s of Queen Anne Avenue to express my serious concerns regarding the safety of our road and to respectfully request that Bromley Council undertakes an urgent Road Safety Review.

Introduction

We, the undersigned residents of Queen Anne Avenue, are increasingly concerned about the safety of our road and respectfully request that Bromley Council undertakes an urgent review of the current road layout and traffic management measures.

Queen Anne Avenue is a residential road used daily by families, pedestrians, school children, cyclists and motorists. In recent years, the number of dangerous incidents and near misses has caused significant concern amongst residents, who believe that action is now required before a more serious tragedy occurs.

1. Excessive Vehicle Speeds

Residents regularly witness vehicles travelling at speeds that are inappropriate for a residential road.

The speed of traffic has become one of the most common concerns raised by both existing residents and prospective home buyers. Local estate agents have also commented that vehicle speed and road safety are frequently mentioned by people viewing properties in Queen Anne Avenue.

2. Large Vehicles Using the Road

Large lorries and other oversized vehicles continue to enter Queen Anne Avenue despite the road narrowing into pinch points as it joins Hillside Road. There is currently no advance warning signage at the entrance to Queen Anne Avenue advising drivers of these restrictions. Suitable alternative routes exist for larger vehicles, and appropriate warning signs could help prevent unnecessary congestion, dangerous manoeuvres and damage.

3. Pedestrian Safety

A well-used pedestrian crossing route exists between the alleyways on either side of Queen Anne Avenue. This crossing point is used daily by local residents, school children, parents with pushchairs, dog walkers and other pedestrians. Residents believe this area requires a full safety review to improve visibility, reduce vehicle speeds and provide a safer crossing environment.

4. Serious Recorded Road Traffic Incidents

- A vehicle collided with the central refuge before leaving the carriageway, crossing the pavement and grass verge, and crashing into a wall and garden.

- A further incident involved a vehicle travelling on the incorrect side of the central refuge, mounting the pavement, striking a tree, colliding with a parked vehicle and continuing into the bay window of a neighbouring property.
- A vehicle entering Queen Anne Avenue from Westmoreland Road at speed struck parked cars before colliding with a tree.

Residents regularly witness vehicles driving on the incorrect side of the central refuge to avoid slowing or waiting behind traffic. Residents are concerned that without intervention it is only a matter of time before someone is seriously injured or killed.

We respectfully request that Bromley Council

1. Carry out an urgent Road Safety Audit of Queen Anne Avenue.
2. Introduce a 20 mph speed limit.
3. Install appropriate traffic-calming measures.
4. Review the design and safety of the central refuge and surrounding road layout.
5. Improve pedestrian safety around the alleyway crossing points.
6. Install advance warning signs for large vehicles approaching the pinch points.
7. Undertake speed monitoring and assess whether permanent speed enforcement measures are appropriate.
8. Consult with local residents regarding further improvements.

Resident Statement

By signing this petition, I confirm that I support Bromley Council carrying out an urgent review of road safety on Queen Anne Avenue and considering the improvements outlined above. My signature indicates my support only and does not imply legal responsibility for the contents or any future decisions of Bromley Council.

Petition Signatures

Name: _____

House Number: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Anonymous Resident Support

I confirm that I am a resident of Queen Anne Avenue and support this petition.

House Number: _____

Signature (optional): _____

Date: _____

Our Goal

This petition is not intended to assign blame for previous incidents. Its purpose is to encourage Bromley Council to take preventative action before another serious collision occurs. We believe that introducing a 20 mph speed limit, improving road signage, reviewing the road layout and implementing appropriate traffic-calming measures would make Queen Anne Avenue significantly safer for everyone.