Embedding the Healthy Streets Approach in policy and practice

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Before

After
Healthy Streets & severance

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The 10 essential elements for inclusive Healthy Streets

1. Clean air
2. People feel relaxed
3. Things to see and do
4. People feel safe
5. Pedestrians from all walks of life
6. Easy to cross
7. Shade and shelter
8. Places to stop and rest
9. Not too noisy
10. People choose to walk, cycle and use public transport
The Healthy Streets Indicators are interdependent
The health impacts of street environments & transport are all connected.

The health impacts of the transport system in cities relate mostly to motorised road transport.
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The 3 levels of delivering Healthy Streets: Street level

Carlingford Gateway, Haringey

Before

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Holborn Circus, City of London

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Network level measures are needed

Holborn Circus, City of London
The 3 levels of delivering Healthy Streets: Network Level

Strategic management of transport networks supports ‘modeshift’ and enables street level improvements.
The 3 levels of delivering Healthy Streets: spatial planning

Growth areas and regeneration can set ambitious standards for new development.
The 3 levels of delivering Healthy Streets: spatial planning

Top 70% areas amenable to walking and cycling.

The urban form affects how ‘walkable/cycleable’ the environment is and how viable public transport is.
The 3 levels of delivering Healthy Streets

1. Street level

2. Network level

3. Spatial Planning
The importance of behaviour change activities, operations, marketing, communications and enforcement

- Prioritisation in traffic signals
- Kids learning how to use public transport
- Cycle training for lorry drivers
- Promotional activities
- Activation of public spaces
Healthy Streets: a simple concept, complex to deliver

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