

**Application for a vehicular crossover**

Highways Act (1980) Section 184

It is an offence under Section 184 of the Highways Act 1980, to allow a vehicle to cross the footway other than via an approved crossover.

This is an area of lowered pavement and kerb to give access across the pavement onto a private parking area. The crossover has to be constructed to a specified standard to protect the footway and the utility services underneath (underground pipes) from damage. For safety reasons it is not permissible for an individual to carry out these works themselves or to arrange for others to carry out these works on their behalf. If vehicular access is required, the Highways Act enables Highway Authorities to provide a crossover at the applicant’s expense.

The standard width for a crossover is 4.5m. The cost for installation depends on the depth of the footway (measured from the front garden/rear of footway to the outer edge of the kerb/carriageway). An average cost is **£1800**. In addition, other factors may increase these costs (see paragraph 9 of the Terms & Conditions). We regret that due to administrative costs there is also an application fee of **£127.** Applicants are under no obligation to proceed with the application if he/she considers the quotation to be unacceptable. However, the application fee is **non-refundable.**

Although in general, the Council prefers cars to be kept off the Highway, there are certain circumstances when a crossover is not permissible**.**

**Please read the Terms and Conditions attached thoroughly before submitting the application form.**

**Terms and Conditions**

1. A crossover will only be permitted if:-
2. it serves an adjacent lock-up garage;

or;

1. there is presently no reasonable means of access to off-street parking within the property;

and

1. if your vehicle will not be parking in front of the main entrance, there is an available parking space, perpendicular to the footway, at least 4.8m long (depth of front garden from front of house to back of footway). ;

or

1. if your vehicle will be parking in front of the main entrance, there is a distance of 5.8m in front of the main entrance;

and

1. the proposed parking area is at least 3m wide.

If your vehicle is longer than 4.8m, you will be committing an offence if any part of it overhangs the footway.

**This rule is not negotiable.**

1. The maximum width for a crossover is 4.5 metres for a normal domestic property or 5 metres for a multiple-dwelling property. These widths include the sloping kerbs at each side of the crossover. A wider crossover may be permitted for a commercial premises.
2. Planning permission is required and should be obtained for:-
3. Properties on a classified Road or where any boundary line adjoins a classified Road (see Appendix 1), or;
4. Properties in a conservation area or other area that is subject to a relevant Article 4(1) Direction (see Appendix 2 or visit

**https://lewisham.gov.uk/myservices/planning/conservation/conservation-areas**

1. A listed building, or;
2. Properties in multiple-dwelling (i.e flats or maisonettes); or
3. An industrial or commercial premises; or
4. Driveways that do not have provision for natural drainage (see Condition 12).

If you are in any doubt whether you need planning permission you should email the Planning Service for advice planning@lewisham.gov.uk

You need to obtain planning permission before submitting your request to Highways, as a copy of the planning approval must be included with your application for a vehicular crossover.

To obtain planning permission please visit our website

<https://lewisham.gov.uk/myservices/planning/apply-for-planning-permission>

1. A crossover request for any road on the Red Route network must be submitted to Transport for London to action. Applications must be made through their Call Centre (0845 305 1234). See Appendix 3, attached for list of affected roads.
2. A request for a crossover serving a property on a Housing Estate Road should be made to the relevant Housing Association. Please contact them directly and do not submit this form.
3. If you live in rented accommodation then you must obtain permission from the Landlord or Housing Association before applying for a crossover.
4. If the property is within a Controlled Parking Zone, an additional fee of £265 is payable. This fee is a contribution towards the cost the Council will incur amending the existing signage, road markings and Traffic Order. A crossover may be refused should it negatively impact on, or, cause the loss of designated parking spaces, such as disabled bays, car club bays, loading bays, electrical vehicle charging bays and the like.
5. An officer of the council will inspect the proposed crossover site and advise the applicant of any circumstances that may constitute a danger to road users, such as walls or fences, which impair visibility or if the site is too close to a junction. The officer may suggest ways in which visibility could be improved.
6. Subject to the agreement of the conditions above, the officer will prepare a quotation. The cost of re-siting any lamp columns, telegraph poles, signs, parking bays, removal of a tree, or of any special measures to protect underground mains, covers, cables or cabinets will be added to the quotation and may affect the completion time. If the apparatus/obstruction is not owned by Lewisham you will need to contact the organisation directly to arrange for the work and you will need to meet the cost of this work separately. The quote is open to acceptance for the period stated on the quotation.
7. If your application is accepted, the position of the crossing will be indicated by the Council using white marks. If you disagree with the location of the marks you must contact the named officer before paying for the crossover, as the position cannot be altered once the work has started.
8. The crossover will be constructed to the specification of the London Borough of Lewisham. We regret that we are unable to vary this specification. The crossover will remain the maintenance responsibility of Lewisham Council in perpetuity. It will comply with the council’s Highways Works specification.
9. Prior to the installation of the crossover, the applicant must construct a suitable hard-standing area level with the back of the footway (not higher or lower). The area where the vehicle’s wheels will rest must be constructed using either concrete, paving or bituminous material (two lines of paving stones at least 600mm wide, where the vehicle’s tyres would pass, would be acceptable). However due to current Planning rules, it is not permissible to entirely pave your garden, nor to allow rainwater to flow directly onto the public footway. Provision must be made to allow rainwater to drain into the ground. This can be achieved in various ways, such as:-
* allowing the parking area to slope towards flower or shrub beds or lawn alongside;
* provision of gravel-filled drainage holes in the paved area;
* the use of permeable concrete block paving.

For further guidance see

<https://www.planningportal.co.uk/info/200130/common_projects/45/paving_your_front_garden>

1. In some cases, prior to the construction of your hard-standing, it may be necessary for a trial trench to be excavated by the council to identify any tree roots, services, or underground obstructions which may affect the viability of the works. The cost would be payable by the applicant and the council would not be held responsible for any abortive costs or for the non-viability of the scheme due to hitherto unknown underground obstructions.
2. The construction of a domestic vehicular crossover is solely to permit safe access to and egress from premises as defined in the Highways Act 1980. A crossover does not give the right to any person to park wholly or partly on the public footway or in any way obstruct or overhang the footway with a parked vehicle. Should any obstruction as described above take place, London Borough of Lewisham, Highways Group, reserve the right to take such action as is necessary to prevent any destruction or damage to the public highway.
3. The above Terms and Conditions have been updated to reflect modern standards and apply to all applications submitted after 1st May 2020. Previous Terms & Conditions cannot be used as precedents.

 **Appendix 1 - List of classified roads**

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| Adelaide AvenueBaring RoadBeckenham Hill RoadBell GreenBelmont HillBestwood StreetBlackheath VillageBrockley CrossBrockley GroveBrockley Rise 5Brockley RoadBrookmill RoadBurnt Ash HillBurnt Ash RoadBush RoadCanadian AvenueCatford Hill 1Chinbrook RoadCourthill Road 6Creek RoadCrofton Park Road 7Crystal Palace Park Road 2Dartmouth RoadDeptford Church StreetDownham Way 8Drakefell RoadEdward Street 9Endwell RoadEvelina RoadEvelyn StreetFlorence Road |  | Forest Hill Road 3Friendly StreetGellatly RoadGeoffrey RoadGrove Park RoadGrove StreetHazelbank Road 10Hither Green LaneHonor Oak ParkHonor Oak RoadJerrard StreetKent House RoadKirkdaleLadywell RoadLausanne RoadLawrie Park RoadLee RoadLee TerraceLewisham RoadMalpas RoadMantle RoadManwood RoadMarnock RoadMarvels Lane 11Montpelier RowMontpelier ValeNewlands ParkNorthoverPagnell StreetPerry Hill |  | Perry RisePerry ValePlough WayPomeroy StreetPrince Charles RoadPrince of Wales RoadRavensbourne ParkRoyal ParadeSt Asaph RoadSandhurst Road 12Sanford StreetSangley Road  1Somertrees Avenue 13Southend LaneSpringbank Road 14Stanton WayStondon ParkSydenham Hill 4Sydenham RiseSydenham RoadThurston RoadTorridon RoadTranquil Vale 15Trundleys Road 16Verdant LaneWaldram PlaceWestwood HillWhitefoot LaneWickham RoadWood Vale 3 |

**Key**

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| 1 | Part South Circular Road - See also Appendix 3. | 9 | Sanford Street to Pagnell Street only. |
| 2 | Boundary road (Apply to L.B. Bromley). | 10 | Torridon Road to Verdant Lane only. |
| 3 | Boundary road (Apply to L.B. Southwark).  | 11 | Chinbrook Road to Somertrees Avenue only. |
| 4 | Boundary road (Part L.B. Southwark). | 12 | Torridon Road to Sangley Road only. |
| 5 | Stanstead Road to Gabriel Street only. | 13 | Coopers Lane to Marvels Lane only. |
| 6 | Lewisham High Street to Hither Green Lane only. | 14 | Torridon Road to Nightingale Grove only. |
| 7 | Brockley Grove to Manwood Road only. | 15 | Blackheath Village to Royal Parade only. |
| 8 | Except section from Old Bromley Road to Bromley Road. | 16 | Bush Road to Sanford Street only. |

**Appendix 2 - List of roads in conservation areas**

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| Aberdeen Terrace | Dartmouth Grove | Kirkdale (part) | Rokeby Road  |
| Adelaide Avenue (part) | Dartmouth Hill | Kitto Road  | Royal Parade |
| Admiral Street | Dartmouth Row | Ladywell Road (part) | Rutt's Terrace (part) |
| Albion Villas Road | David's Road | Lamerton Street  | Ryculff Square  |
| Albury Street  | Dennett's Grove | Lawn Terrace | Sandbourne Road  |
| Albyn Road (part) | Dennett's Road (part) | Lee Park (part) | Sherwin Road  |
| All Saints Drive | Deptford High Street  | Lee Road (part) | Smiles Place |
| Allenby Road  | Devonshire Road (part) | Lee Terrace | Somerset Gardens  |
| Allison Close | Drake Road  | Lewisham High Street (part) | South Row |
| Arbuthnot Road  | Drakefell Road (part) | Southbrook Road  |
| Arran Road  | Duke Humphrey Road  | Lewisham Hill (part) | Southvale Road  |
| Ashby Road  | Dukesthorpe Road  | Leylang Road  | Speedwell Street |
| Ashmead Road  | Earlsthorpe Road  | Lind Street  | St Austell Road  |
| Avon Road  | Eastern Road (part) | Lloyd's Place | St John's Vale (part) |
| Avonley Road (part) | Edric Road  | Lock Chase (part) | St Joseph's Vale |
| Baizdon Road  | Effingham Road (part) | Lockmead Road  | St Margaret's Road  |
| Bargery Road | Egmont Street  | Longton Grove (part) | St Margaret's Square  |
| Barlborough Street  | Eliot Cottages | Macauley Mews | St Stephen's Grove |
| Belmont Grove (part) | Eliot Hill | Manor Avenue | Strickland Street  |
| Belmont Hill (part) | Eliot Park  | Manor Lane (part) | Sydenham Hill (part) |
| Belmont Park (part) | Eliot Place  | Manor Lane Terrace (part) | Sydenham Park (part) |
| Billington Road  | Eliot Vale | Manor Mount | Sydenham Park Road (part) |
| Bishopsthorpe Road  | Erlanger Road  | Mary Ann Gardens  |
| Blackheath Grove | Eton Grove | Mayow Road (part) | Talbot Place  |
| Blackheath Rise | Ffinch Street  | Mercia Grove | Taunton Road (part) |
| Blackheath Vale | Fludyer Street (part) | Michaels Close | Taymount Rise |
| Blackheath Village  | Friendly Street (part) | Micheldever Road  | The Fieldings (part) |
| Bolden Street | Garlies Road  | Mona Road (part) | The Glebe |
| Bousfield Road  | Gellatly Road  | Monson Road (part) | The Orchard |
| Boyne Road | Geoffrey Road  | Montague Avenue  | Thornsbeach Road (part) |
| Brandram Road  | Glensdale Road  | Montpelier Row | Tranquil Vale |
| Breakspears Road  | Glenton Road (part) | Montpelier Vale | Tressillian Crescent  |
| Brigade Street | Goffers Road | Morden Hill | Tressillian Road  |
| Brocklehurst Street  | Granville Grove (part) | Morden Road  | Tristan Square  |
| Brockley Cross (part) | Granville Park (part) | Mount Ash Road  | Troutbeck Road  |
| Brockley Road (part) | Grote's Buildings | Mounts Pond Road | Tyrwhitt Road  |
| Camden Row | Grote's Place | Musgrove Road | Upper Brockley Road |
| Camplin Street  | Hales Street  | Nettleton Road  | Upwood Road (part) |
| Canadian Avenue  | Halifax Street  | Newquay Road  | Ventnor Road  |
| Casella Road  | Handen Road  | Oakcroft Road  | Vesta Road (part) |
| Caterham Road  | Hare And Billet Road | Ommaney Road  | Vicars Hill |
| Chalsey Road  | Harefield Road  | Oppenheim Road  | Vulcan Road  |
| Church Grove | Hart's Lane | Orchard Road | Vulcan Terrace |
| Church Terrace | Hatcham Park Road  | Pagoda Gardens  | Waldenshaw Road  |
| Clandon Street  | Hatcliffe Close | Paragon Place | Walerand Road  |
| Cleeve Hill | Havelock Walk | Pearcefield Avenue  | Waller Road  |
| Cliff Terrace | Heath Lane  | Pendrell Road (part) | Walsham Road  |
| Coffey Street | Hilly Fields Crescent | Penerley Road  | Wantage Road (part) |
| Collins Street  | Honor Oak Road (part) | Pepys Road  | Wells Park Road (part) |
| Coulgate Street  | Horniman Drive (part) | Perry Rise (part) | Wemyss Road  |
| Cranbrook Road  | Houston Road (part) | Priestfield Road (part) | Westwood Park (part) |
| Cranfield Road  | Hunsdon Road  | Prince Charles Road  | Wickham Gardens  |
| Crescent Way | Hyde Street  | Prince Of Wales Road  | Wickham Road  |
| Cressingham Road  | Inchmery Road  | Princethorpe Road  | Willshaw Street  |
| Crossfield Street  | Ivy Road (part) | Queensthorpe Road  | Windfield Close |
| Culverley Road  | Jerningham Road  | Quentin Place  | Windmill Close |
| Dacre Park (part) | Jews Walk (part) | Quentin Road  | Woodyates Road (part) |
| Dacre Place  | Kingsthorpe Road  | Recreation Road (part) | Woolstone Road (part) |
| Darling Road | Kingswood Place  | Reservoir Road | Wrigglesworth Street  |
| Note that an Article 4(1) Direction applies to the grass verge at Jevington Way |

**Appendix 3 - List of roads forming The Red Route Network**

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| Amersham Road | All |
| Baring Road | St Mildreds Road to Westhorne Avenue only |
| Blackheath Hill | All |
| Bromley Hill | All |
| Bromley Road | All |
| Brownhill Road | All |
| Catford Hill | Catford Road to Stanstead Road only |
| Catford Road | All |
| Deptford Bridge | All |
| Deptford Broadway | All |
| Devonshire Road | London Road to Waldram Crescent only |
| Eltham Road | All |
| Lee High Road | All |
| Lewisham High Street | Excluding section from Clock Tower to southern junction with Molesworth Street. |
| Lewisham Way | All |
| Loampit Hill | All |
| Loampit Vale | All |
| London Road | All |
| Lordship Lane | All |
| Molesworth Street | All |
| New Cross Road | All |
| Old Kent Road | All |
| Parkfield Road | All |
| Plassy Road | All |
| Queens Road | All |
| Rushey Green | All |
| Sangley Road | Bromley Road to Plassy Road only |
| Shooters Hill Road | All |
| St Mildred's Road | All |
| Stanstead Road | Sunderland Road to Catford Hill only |
| Sunderland Road | Stanstead Road to Waldram Park Road only |
| Waldram Crescent | All |
| Waldram Park Road | All |
| Westhorne Avenue | All |

Reference **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

(Office use only. Please leave blank)

**Application for the construction of a vehicular crossover.**

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| Name | Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Other |
| Address of premises for crossover  |  |
| Daytime telephone no |  |
| Email address |  |
| Contact address (if different from above) |  |

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| 1 | I have measured the proposed parking area and it is sufficient width and depth.(at least 4.8m deep or 5.8m deep if installed in front of the door and 3m wide)(see Terms & Conditions item 1) | Yes/No | If the answer is no a crossover will **NOT** be permitted. Please note this measurement has changed in recent years and you should not assume that your garden is sufficient size just because a neighbouring property has a crossover. |
| 2 | Is the property on a classified road?(see Appendix 1) | Yes/No | If you have answered **yes** to any of these questions(2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7)you must obtain Planning Permission **before** submitting this form.**Please attach a copy of your Planning Permission** |
| 3 | Is the property in a Conservation area or subject to a relevant Article 4(1) Direction? (see Appendix 2) | Yes/No |
| 4 | Is the address on the Red Route Network?(see Appendix 3) | Yes/No |
| 5 | Is the address within a multi-dwelling building? (see Terms & Conditions item 3) | Yes/No |
| 6 | Is the address used for commercial purposes? | Yes/No |
| 7 | Is the property a listed building? | Yes/No |
| 8 | Does the proposed parking space currently have a hardstanding in place? (see Terms & Conditions item 12. ) | Yes/No | If the answer is no, you will be required to install a suitable hardstanding within 3 months of receiving our estimate. |
| I confirm that I have read the Terms & Conditions beforeSubmitting this form.  | Signed \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  |

Please return the completed form to:

Business Support Highways, 4th Floor Laurence House, 1 Catford Road, London, SE6 4RU

Or email to businesssupporthighways@lewisham.gov.uk

**Once we receive this form a member of our admin team will contact you to take the application fee by telephone.**