

In January 2019, Street Space worked with Year 5 children at Crown Lane Primary school to audit routes to school using the Healthy Streets index in partnership with London Borough of Lambeth. Once identified the children designed a series of interventions to improve these priority locations.

The children to audited the following routes:

1. Cut through (un-named) from Crown Lane to Lakeview Road
2. Along Lakeview Road, eastwards
3. Along Lakeview Road, westwards

They measured pollution using the cotton wool test' air quality test. They had a clear sense of the impact of the noise and fumes from the traffic on their health.

They then took these locations through the collaborative design process. The young students developed ideas, as they were asked to reimagine and add inspiring elements to their routes to school to encourage more children to walk to school.

During the healthy streets audit process they also discovered that the cut through to the school from Lakeview Road was not shown on google maps and therefore didn't have a name. During one session they voted to name the cut through 'The Creative Way'

Many ideas involved adding colour or seating, opportunities for play, safer crossings and adding greening to improve the air quality directly outside the school entrance.

The following sketches have been inspired by the student's ideas, they are for inspiration purposes, to show what could be possible with a relatively small amount of funding. Integrating colour and play in a way that links the three audit areas together in a visually engaging narrative to encourage and increase walking to school from a variety of locations or drop off points.





