

# A NEW STOCKWELL SQUARE



## An Opportunity for Stockwell

Stockwell is an important local centre, strategically located in South London that is well served by public transport with both the Northern Line and Victoria Line serving the station.

With over 25,000 people per day using the station alone, arriving at Stockwell is not as welcoming as might be expected for such a significant place.

Lambeth and Stockwell Partnership have been working together with local architects DSDHA to seize the opportunity to create a dignified setting at the heart of Stockwell, to rebalance the public realm in favour of pedestrians and cyclists as much as for traffic, and to consolidate the investment being made in the War Memorial gardens.

The opportunity to increase the landscape for pedestrians on Binfield Road will create a more generous space for people at this busy intersection without having to change any current traffic movements. The space might offer the opportunity for the local community to to meet and gather, or hold occasional events such as markets.

References:  
Barclays Bikes

Community Space

Community Events

Market Place

Local Trades





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Historical image of Binfield Road, 1957

1890



1915



1933



1974



2001



## A Legacy for Stockwell

Investing in Stockwell will improve the opportunity for local prosperity and well being. Stockwell does not need to compete with the retail hubs of Brixton or Clapham, but looking at the historical images of Stockwell reveals the strong character and identity which it could re-establish to better serve the diverse and vibrant business community.

Working with London Underground to reinforce the importance of the Tube Station as an identifiable place at the heart of Stockwell is an essential part of this collaborative project.



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This proposal creates a public square at the heart of Stockwell, a new meeting place for the local community which will become a catalyst for ongoing investment.

- ① **Realign Binfield Road and new paving**  
Creating a positive new public space in the heart of Stockwell by widening and repaving the pavements next to the tube station exit, and shifting the cycle lane to make more space for pedestrians..
- ② **Barclays Cycle Docking Station**  
Transport for London's Barclays Cycle Hire Scheme is planned for Stockwell in 2013-2014 and the proposal will consider potential locations for bike hire, either within or near Binfield Road.
- ③ **New Bus Stop Canopy and Lighting**
- ④ **New Trees and Lighting on Binfield Road**  
Introduction of new trees that extend the avenue that exists on Binfield Road.
- ⑤ **Relocation of cast iron ventilation pipe**
- ⑥ **Public cycle stands in between new trees**
- ⑦ **Potential New Kiosk and Lighting**
- ⑧ **Potential New Station Canopy and Lighting**  
Working with London Underground to build a new canopy to the tube station to shelter traders and the public, with integrated lighting to enhance safety, and to give the station a positive identity and to re-establish it's historic presence.



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The new square will create a dignified meeting place with new street trees to consolidate the green presence of the War Memorial setting. This new square will both create a presence on the dominant north - south axis of Clapham Road, as well as revealing the historic and important future east - west movement to the emergent identity of Nine Elms.



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A new bus canopy will provide shelter and new lighting.

References:  
Tram canopy, Zurich



A light installation on the station's ventilation shaft will enhance the identity and provide a positive sense of arrival.

Illumination of National Theatre, London



Decorative tree lighting could be used to enhance the setting of the street, providing ambient lighting

Lights in trees on the South Bank



Improved visibility of internal uses would create an enhanced sense of safety.

Safety from windows on streets



The use of high-quality, durable materials will result in a civic space for residents to feel proud of.

High quality materials in the public realm





# POTENTIAL FUTURE



Discussions have been held with Lambeth and with TfL to explore the opportunities for future extension of the public space to connect with the war memorial by closing one arm of the of the gyratory system. This would dramatically increase the potential of Stockwell as a local centre with a safer environment for pedestrians and cyclists and a more legible road network.

- ① Simplified road system with safer crossings for pedestrians and cyclists
- ② Enhanced retail / commercial setting
- ③ Generous public space linked to War Memorial garden
- ④ Regeneration site at 13/15 Stockwell Road
- ⑤ Proposed consolidated bus stop
- ⑥ Future extension of paving and lighting to link doctor's surgery and Stockwell Community Resource Centre

Two options for Linked Enhancements to the landscape around the Listed Stockwell Bus Garage have been proposed by Urban Movement.

Both options will provide an improved footpath around the bus garage to overcome some of the unevenness caused by tree roots (all the trees will be kept) and to create a legible link to the underground station and the new 'Stockwell Square'. Along Lansdowne Way there are two options both aimed at improving the setting of this important listed building and preventing car parking on the wide footway:

Option one involves retaining the five small trees and creating a grassed verge which will either be raised slightly or edged with low bollards to prevent parking.



Option two involves removing the existing five trees and planting an avenue of ten trees at the back of the footway which align with the ten structural arches of the bus garage. A planting bed along the base of the bus garage wall will be created and planted with low shrubs (less than half a meter high) to prevent parking.

