The changes we are planning to make on Mansell Street

This document summarises and explains the changes we are planning to make on Mansell Street. We have grouped the changes in terms of who would be most affected by them:

Improvements for cyclists and pedestrians

- A two-way cycle lane will be provided on Mansell Street to help encourage people to cycle more as an alternative to public or private transport. This cycle lane will provide a link between Cycleway 2 (Aldgate) and Cycleway 3 (Tower Gateway). The cycle lane will be lightly segregated from traffic using cycle wands, to help cyclists feel safer, and they will be spaced 8 metres apart for emergency purposes
- We will install a dropped kerb at the junction of Mansell Street with Aldgate High Street to segregate people cycling from general traffic and enable cyclists to bypass the pedestrian crossing on Mansell Street. This will help cyclists feel safer, more assured and confident when accessing and leaving the cycle lane
- Traffic islands will be added at the traffic lights adjacent to 77 Mansell Street to accommodate new low-level traffic signals for cyclists
- A 'Puffin' crossing to be converted to a 'Toucan' crossing at the junction of Mansell Street with Prescott Street to enable cyclists to safely cross to the other side
- We will widen the pavement and realign the cycle lane near across Chamber Street to provide more space for pedestrians and to help cyclists move off the two-way cycle lane and on to the carriageway
- We will install a raised table across Chamber Street, with give way markings for general traffic, to reduce the risk of collision between cyclists and pedestrians or vehicles
- We will remove the existing cycle lane on the pavement approaching Royal Mint Street and create a new two-way cycle lane on the street to provide more space for walking and cycling
- We will modify the cycle lane between Mansell Street and Royal Mint Street with a by-pass to help access Cycleway 3
- There will be new signs along the cycle lane to direct cyclists towards Cycleways 2 and 3, and to help cyclists navigate through the area
- We will add double red lines added along the route where necessary to ensure vehicles do not park and block the cycle lane



Improvements and changes for bus passengers

There will be 100 metres of new 24-hour bus lane on Goodman's Yard which taxis and motorcycles will be able to use. This change is proposed for safety reasons and will enable buses and general traffic to position themselves early at the junction (to avoid traffic merging together close to the junction, which can be disruptive and potentially dangerous). It would also help buses and traffic to flow more easily on Mansell Street.

Changes to local access, to support the improvements for cyclists, pedestrians and bus passengers

We will prohibit the left turn from Mansell Street into Royal Mint Street for all traffic except cyclists and emergency services. This will help reduce the potential for people cycling from being hit by left-turning traffic.