

**The Camden (Torrington Place to Tavistock Square) (Prescribed Routes, Waiting and Loading Restrictions and Loading Places) Traffic Order [2017]**

**PLANNING INSPECTORATE REFERENCE: DPI/X5210/17/8**

**Proof of Evidence - Camden Cycling Campaign**

**Witness: Richenda Walford,**  
**Title: Congestion in Judd Street**

**Introduction**

BRAG's Statement of Case refers in a few places to Judd Street being badly congested, for example:

- para 2.2.1 c), d) and e),
- para 1.4 (we believe this refers to Judd Street specifically).

We anticipate that BRAG will present photographs and videos that show this congestion. We also anticipate that BRAG will not present any evidence showing occasions when the traffic in the street is free-flowing. I personally cross Judd Street (normally at Cromer Street / Leigh Street) a few times most days and can confirm that it is, on occasion, congested with traffic queuing at Euston Road, and also that it is often not congested. Without a full study of traffic on this street it is not possible to determine the true situation but we are concerned that a distorted assessment should not be accepted as accurate.



In an effort to present some unbiased evidence I have recorded the status of the road each time I crossed it, starting Monday 18/9/17. I had to cease this recording at 14.00 on Thursday in order to submit this document to the Public Inquiry in time.

## Results

Date	Week day	Time	Clear/ Jammed	Comments
18/9/17	Monday	06.55	Clear	
18/9/17	Monday	08.20	Clear	
18/9/17	Monday	10.00	Jammed	Not as far south as Cromer, down to about the Half Cup.
18/9/17	Monday	11.30	Clear	
18/9/17	Monday	15.30	Clear	
18/9/17	Monday	16.45	Clear	
19/9/17	Tuesday	06.55	Clear	
19/9/17	Tuesday	10.05	Clear	
19/9/17	Tuesday	11.25	Clear	
19/9/17	Tuesday	12.50	Clear	
19/9/17	Tuesday	14.00	Clear	
19/9/17	Tuesday	15.30	Clear	
19/9/17	Tuesday	16.20	Clear	
20/9/17	Wednesday	07.50	Clear	
20/9/17	Wednesday	08.09- 08.12	Clear	This is when I took the photograph.
20/9/17	Wednesday	10.05	Clear	
20/9/17	Wednesday	14.40	Clear	
20/9/17	Wednesday	15.30	Clear	
21/9/17	Thursday	06.55	Clear	
21/9/17	Thursday	08.35	Clear	
21/9/17	Thursday	12.10	Clear	
21/9/17	Thursday	13.25	Clear	

“Clear” means that there were only a few vehicles waiting at the Euston Road lights, often only one or two, certainly no stationary traffic south of Hastings Street.

These times are not exactly random since the same times of day repeat and other times do not occur at all. But, importantly, they are random in that I did not first check the state of the road and then decide whether or not to record it. I recorded the state of the road every time I saw it, whatever that state was.

Please remember this evidence when you are assessing any photographs or videos of congestion in Judd Street.