Cycle Flows

- i. Cycling levels along the Torrington Place / Tavistock Place corridor are high, particularly during the morning and evening peak periods. This report includes details of surveys that were commissioned to record the number of cyclists in 2015, 2016 and 2018. It should be noted that the surveys undertaken in 2015 were prior to the removal of the westbound motor vehicle traffic lane and the introduction of the two, one-way cycle lanes.
- ii. Manual Classified Counts (MCCs) were undertaken in 2015, 2016 and 2018 to record the number of cyclists using the corridor. Three locations along the corridor were surveyed where data has been used to show the average the flow of cyclists along the corridor during the morning peak hour, evening peak hour and between 7am and 7pm (daily flow).

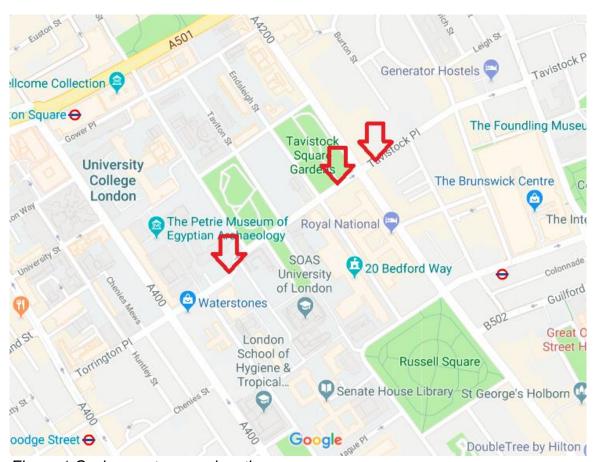


Figure 1 Cycle count survey locations

| Location | Direction | 08:30 to 09:30 | | | 17:45 to 18:45 | | | 07:00 to 19:00 | | |
|---|-----------|----------------|------|------|----------------|------|------|----------------------|-------|--------|
| | | 2015 | 2016 | 2018 | 2015 | 2016 | 2018 | 2015 | 2016 | 2018 |
| Byng Place | Eastbound | 174 | 201 | 205 | 544 | 516 | 601 | 1871 | 1759 | 2190 |
| | Westbound | 825 | 720 | 808 | 325 | 270 | 318 | 2766 | 2407 | 3074 |
| | Total | 999 | 921 | 1013 | 869 | 786 | 919 | 4637 | 4166 | 5264 |
| Tavistock Sq | Eastbound | 221 | 247 | 245 | 591 | 583 | 652 | No data available | 2067 | 2468 |
| | Westbound | 748 | 779 | 860 | 275 | 289 | 373 | | 2641 | 3259 |
| | Total | 969 | 1026 | 1105 | 866 | 872 | 1025 | | 4708 | 5727 |
| Tavistock PI (between Woburn PI and Herbrand St) | Eastbound | 223 | 276 | 269 | 593 | 601 | 657 | 2091 | 2181 | 2559 |
| | Westbound | 752 | 777 | 861 | 279 | 272 | 363 | 2694 | 2616 | 3377 |
| | Total | 975 | 1053 | 1130 | 872 | 873 | 1020 | 4785 | 4797 | 5936 |
| Total | | 2943 | 3000 | 3248 | 2607 | 2531 | 2964 | 9422* | 8963* | 11200* |
| Average | | 981 | 1000 | 1083 | 869 | 844 | 988 | 4711* | 4482* | 5600* |

*excludes data from Tavistock Sq site for ease of comparison to 2015 data

Table 1 Cycle Flows along the corridor (24/03/15, 10/05/16 and 23/05/18)

- iii. Table 1 gives a snapshot of cycle flows along the corridor prior to the trial's implementation in 2015, in 2016 and later in 2018.
- iv. The average, two-way daily flow of cyclists is high along the corridor (4711, 4482 and 5600 cyclists in 2015, 2016 and 2018 respectively). The average number cyclists during the morning and evening peak hours are also high across the same three dates (981, 1000, 1083 cyclists during the morning peak hour and 869, 844 and 988 cyclists during the evening peak hour). It can be seen from Table 1 that the total daily flows of cyclists using the corridor has increased in 2018 (by 19% and 24% compared to 2015 and 2016 data respectively). The survey data also suggests that there has been increases in the number of cyclists using the corridor in morning and evening peak hours also.
- v. It should be noted that the 2015 surveys were undertaken in March and the 2016 and 2018 surveys were undertaken in May. Survey data is variable and influenced by a number of factors however generally cycle flows are higher in May than March.