

Dear Mrs. Lait,

As you know our Residents' Association has been fighting very long and hard to obtain a pedestrian crossing on the A232 near the top of Hartfield Crescent. This is the only possibility our children have to go to our two local secondary school, Hayes School and Ravensbourne. So twice a day they have to cross this exceedingly busy road and it is not rare for them to have to wait for 5 minutes before there is a sufficient gap in the traffic to allow them to cross. It is equally bad for elderly people alighting from the 246 bus coming from Bromley.

As you can see from the copy of the email I sent to TfL there is an overwhelming demand from the residents for a crossing (**96%**) and we cannot understand why in view of this enormous request and the terrible danger faced every day by the school children having to cross this appalling busy road TfL has refused to give us a crossing.

We are not at all happy to let the matter rest here. There is too much danger encountered by our children and elderly people having to cross the A232 for us not to fight for a pedestrian crossing. We would therefore be most grateful for your help in supporting us in this campaign and we would like you to find out from TfL why they refused to give us a crossing, particularly as earlier on they had virtually let us understand that we would get our crossing and it was only a question of the siting of it. We think it is such an important matter that it needs to be taken up to the Mayor of London himself.

We thank you in advance for your help and look forward to hearing from you.
Yours sincerely,

Wickham Common Residents' Association