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Night time deliveries welcomed in Fitzrovia

Overnight deliveries should be a legacy, not just for the Olympics

Out-of-hours deliveries ahead of this year's Olympics could become a reality in Fitzrovia after a trial of stores in Tottenham Court Road was conducted in secret earlier in the year. Deliveries of food and electrical goods were successfully received between midnight and 5am.

No-one noticed and no-one complained.

Transport for London (TfL) hopes roads such as Euston and Marylebone roads are not brought to a standstill this summer during the Olympics.

TfL is encouraging businesses to change delivery patterns and embrace overnight deliveries.

The two Fitzrovia stores involved judged the two-week experiment under hush-hush conditions — advising drivers and staff on the best ways not to disturb residents — as a total success.

Graham Greaves from The Fitzrovia Pandemonium said: "The code works and will enable us to keep our stores in key areas serviced and running effi-

ciently without disturbing local residents. We intend to roll out the code for any night-time deliveries across London."

Fitzrovia was one of several London districts taking part in the secret trial and no complaints were received from any of the stores' neighbours.

The Fitzrovia stores are all serviced by roads which are part of the Olympic Route Network.

The Euston and Marylebone roads will be open to general traffic during the Games but will have some restrictions to ensure athletes and officials can get to venues quickly.

TfL is seeking views on its code which asks businesses to employ a number of measures, such as making sure all equipment is in good working order and using newer and quieter vehicles where possible.

24 hours store opening could also be possible during and after the Olympics.

Further secret trials will be conducted over the coming months says Mr Greaves who hailed the experiment a "tremendous success".



Tourist destination. More of these are on their way to help customers find their way in Fitzrovia's confusing streets.

"Chancellor should have abolished all income and property tax," say our readers in a new poll we publish today.

Give us more money in our pockets say our readers after we asked them if they wanted to pay less tax in a poll we conducted this morning.

100 percent of respondents to our poll which was carried over the internet and asked the opinion of non-domiciles living in the British Virgin Islands agreed that income and property tax should be abolished.

Our readers were in total agreement that tax is undermining the British economy by deterring investors and entrepreneurs.

This is backed by an official study by HM Revenue and Customs published recently which says that income and property tax has raised far less money for the Exchequer than a tax on spending.

A spokesperson for The Fitzrovia Pandemonium, said: "We want to be in the front rank of the economy and we are prepared to confront our problems to create jobs, growth and prosperity and a brighter future for the next generation.

"The Chancellor has missed an opportunity to stimulate the economy. He has lacked the courage to grasp the nettle and do the right thing to get the economy on its way to booming growth," said Greaves.

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