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MILD CURRY IS A HOT FAVOURITE



● **CHILDMINDERS** from the borough's children's centres took part in a special Masterchef competition recently. The event was arranged as part of National Childminding Week and saw the childminders attend cookery classes at Ealing, Hammersmith & West London College, where they were taught how to cook healthy meals. Competition winners were Nasim Said and Nima Mohamed, from the Cathnor Park Children's Centre in Melina Road, Shepherds Bush. They cooked a mild Afghan curry with chapatis and rice. They are pictured above with H&F cabinet member Antony Lillis.

Green light for review into traffic

► **7.6 million hours are lost in congestion in Hammersmith & Fulham every year**
► **Review could result in problem lights being re-phased**

ROB MANSFIELD

THE borough's traffic lights are to be reviewed, in a drive to get local motorists moving again.

Transport for London (TfL) officials have confirmed that dozens of lights will be reviewed to 'smooth traffic flow' in London's most-congested borough.

The process – which is part of a programme covering more than 6,000 lights in the capital – may lead to problem lights being re-phased.

The borough has the most clogged-up streets in the capital – with a frustrating 7.6 million hours lost in traffic every year.

The council has consistently lobbied TfL for urgent action on the better phasing of traffic lights and improved north-south routes.

Local resident and leading

campaigner against the western extension of the congestion charge David Tarsh said: "It has long been clear from TfL and government traffic data that congestion in London is caused much more by ill-conceived

traffic measures than by the volume of traffic.

"A review of light phasing is excellent news but that is not enough. Many unnecessary lights should go entirely.

"Bus lanes should operate only in rush hour and lots of minor obstructions, like overly protruding pavements and ill-thought-through road markings, need to be dealt with too as they cause unnecessary bottlenecks."

Key junctions, such as the Hammersmith Broadway and Fulham Palace Road interchange, are part of the review but the council wants more added.

The council has written to TfL to demand that the Talgarth Road junction with North End Road is also included in the programme.

H&F Council's deputy leader Nicholas Botterill said: "We have been calling for the review of traffic lights to create a smoother flow of traffic – without negatively affecting pedestrians – for a long time.

"I am delighted that TfL has now confirmed that a whole series of lights are being looked at.

"Clogged streets are a barrier to trade and to our plans to regenerate parts of the borough."

EXTRA POINTS TO CHARGE UP ELECTRIC CARS

● **CARS** went back to the future in the borough as TfL announced two more charge-points to power electric cars.

It brings the number of points in the borough to six. The new charging points are available in the Kings Mall car park in Glenthorne Road, Hammersmith.

Two additional charging points will be installed in the Fulham Broadway shopping centre before the end of the year.

TfL has spent £1m for 177 charge points across London since 2006.

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If you live or work locally, come along to our Open Day and find out more about the Lyric's plans – then tell us what YOU want to see and do in the new building.

Staff will be on hand to answer your questions, and you'll also be able to find out what the Lyric currently offers local people and how to get involved. Free refreshments available all day.

When? Friday 31 July 8am – 8pm

Where? Lyric Hammersmith,
Lyric Square, King Street, London W6 0QL

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