



## Tim Pharoah

What do we mean by walkability? What makes a neighbourhood walkable and why does it matter? These are questions are put to Tim Pharoah, a transport researcher who has been championing mobility on foot for more than 40 years. Recorded on a walk through the streets between Waterloo and London Bridge railway stations, part of London where Tim once lived. Bankside, The Cut and Waterloo Quarter, as this part of London in 2015 is now known, is a hive of construction and a tourist attraction to boot. Few places offer quiet with Red Cross Gardens as a welcome exception. The recording opens with Tim telling us about his chief concern of traffic speed and how to calm it.

Notes from the podcast interview by **Andrew Stuck**: Recorded in March 2015, on a walk through Bankside, The Cut and Waterloo Quarter, London SE1. Published in November 2015 on <http://www.talkingwalking.net>

Tim Pharoah's web pages: <http://www.livingtransport.com/index.php>

Vehicle speed is critical: 20 mph speed limits are increasingly being adopted in London Boroughs Check the Twenty's Plenty for us campaign for latest details of which boroughs have 20 mph: <http://www.20splenty.org/>

Judging speeds as a child <http://www.roadsafetygb.org.uk/news/1334.html>

Manual for Streets - statutory guidance from the Department for Transport, for which Tim Pharoah was one of the co-authors - gives first consideration to how people move around on foot [https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/341513/pdfmanforstreets.pdf](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/341513/pdfmanforstreets.pdf)

Urbed - winners of the Wolfson Economic Prize <http://urbed.coop/wolfson-economic-prize> - Tim Pharoah contributed to the winning submission, looking at how trips on foot could support public transport

Dr Mayer Hillman <http://mayerhillman.com/> at the Planning Research Institute at Edinburgh University was an inspiration. You can listen to a 5 year walking forecast from Mayer Hillman: <http://www.talkingwalking.net/5-year-walking-forecast/mayer-hillman-walking-5-years-from-now/>  
Tim lived in the Royal Mile in Edinburgh in the 1960s gave him a sense of why urban living had such advantages [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Royal\\_Mile](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Royal_Mile)  
Ministry of Silly Walks - Monty Python sketch <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iV2ViNJFZC8>

In the United States: New Urbanism - Transport orientated development - Walkable neighbourhoods <http://www.newurbanism.org/>

Department for Transport Cycling delivery plan (and walking) <https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/cycling-delivery-plan-informal-consultation>

Traffic calming - wrote a Guidance document for Devon County Council 23 years ago. This can be downloaded in low resolution here <http://livingtransport.com/results.php?t=asset&search=8&content=Traffic%20Calming%20Guidelines>

Or full resolution by chapter here: <http://www.ciht.org.uk/en/knowledge/standards-advice/traffic-calming-guidelines--devon-county-council.cfm>

Hans Mondeman [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hans\\_Monderman](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hans_Monderman)

Exhibition Road - shared space <https://www.rbkc.gov.uk/subsites/exhibitionroad.aspx>

## Tim Pharoah's recommendations for a walk are:

Waterloo area - The Cut [http://www.southwark.gov.uk/info/200191/completed\\_projects/1196/the\\_cut](http://www.southwark.gov.uk/info/200191/completed_projects/1196/the_cut)  
Broadway, New York <http://news.nationalpost.com/life/travel/in-nyc-youll-never-walk-alone-a-look-at-some-top-walking-tours-of-broadway-and-times-square>