

## Fatal Crash Review

Location: Grosvenor Lane at King Charles Way

Accident Date: Monday, April 4, 2022

Accident Time: Approximately 8:22 AM

Local case number: 220014595

Review Date: April 15, 2022

Concurrence:



Date: 04-18-2022

Coordinate removal of trees with  
Community Assn. Modify report  
based on discussions, if appropriate.

### Location and Site Description:

At the intersection with King Charles Way, Grosvenor Lane is a 36' wide minor arterial roadway with slightly offset opposing left turn lanes. Sidewalk is provided along both sides of Grosvenor Lane. There are no marked crosswalks at this intersection. Grosvenor Lane at the intersection with King Charles Way is designated as a school bus stop on the southwest corner. King Charles Way is a 20' wide private residential road within the Grosvenor Mews community with a 24' wide access onto Grosvenor Lane. The posted speed limit along Grosvenor Lane is 25 mph.

### Description of Crash:

Preliminary investigations indicated a vehicle traveling along westbound Kings Charles Way was turning right to access Grosvenor Lane where the vehicle suddenly accelerated, left the traveled portion of the roadway, and hit three pedestrians that were standing at the southwest corner school bus stop. The vehicle then continued across both lanes of Grosvenor Lane and struck a utility pole. One pedestrian was critically injured, was transported to a local hospital and passed on 04/07/22. The second pedestrian suffered only slight injuries and the third pedestrian was not injured. The operator of the vehicle was not injured and remained on the scene.

### Observations:

A field investigation was conducted at the crash location on April 14, 2022. In addition to an approximately 4' high Grosvenor Mews gateway sign east of the King Charles Way access to Grosvenor Lane, there are four ornamental trees within the ROW, two on either side of the entrance to the Grosvenor Mews apartments. These trees, along with the gateway sign, limit visibility of/by a pedestrian on the sidewalk by/of a vehicle approaching the King Charles Way access onto Grosvenor Lane. All pavement markings and traffic control signs along Grosvenor Lane are in good condition. Other than a No Outlet sign, there are no traffic control signs or pavement markings on King Charles Way. A plastic FYG figure with a red flag was present outside of the ROW along westbound King Charles Way approaching the access to Grosvenor Lane.

### Conclusion:

All required traffic control is in place and in good condition. It is recommended that the four small trees be removed to provide better visibility of pedestrians on the sidewalk. Once the trees

are removed a follow up sight distance evaluation should be conducted to determine if the gateway sign should be modified or removed.

**Pictures:**

Crash site – Entrance of Grosvenor Mews Apartment



Westbound King Charles Way approaching Grosvenor Lane/Apartment Entrance



standing at the southwest corner (where pedestrians got hit) looking east at King Charles Way



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