

	Questions	Answers
1	How do you realize less traffic from 2025 onwards?	This is part of the pilot study 'De Knip'. We are going to investigate whether a cut in the Weesperstraat results in less traffic. After the pilot, the council will make a decision.
2	The council has previously promised alternatives now that the Knip is cancelled.	Yes, we are working on alternatives. Wishes or ideas can be submitted in the online meetings, which are scheduled for June 16th and June 22nd. You can register for these meetings via: pilotweesper@amsterdam.nl .
3	How do you feel about organic plants in relation to biodiversity?	Fortunately, plants are no longer filled with poison as much these days and there is already a lot of organic cultivation. If you have plants of good origin, they attract a lot of butterflies and bees.
4	Where will the planters go that are now on Valkenburgerstraat after the redevelopment?	We will decide together with you where we can relocate the planters. Perhaps these can be moved to the squares of the Markenhoven, to green up those spaces as well.
5	What type of soil improvement are you talking about?	We are talking about soil sand, that is light soil. We want to get rid of the garden soil, which becomes too compact when it rains hard, for example. And we add nutrients that improve the soil.
6	From where exactly can the crash barriers in the central reservation be removed?	The crash barriers can be removed from the end of the tunnel mouth. We have submitted a request if we can go beyond that point, we are now waiting for a response to this question.
7	I heard that the bicycle staples in the Jodenbreestraat will be moved to the Valkenburgerstraat? At the corner Valkenburgerstraat Jodenbreestraat the bicycles are blocking the sidewalks.	Together with programme bicycles, we have looked at the number of bicycle parking spaces and what number we have to work with. We have incorporated this for Valkenburgerstraat and the IJtunnelmond area. We are definitely not moving any extra items from Jodenbreestraat here.

8	What are compact stations and why are they located on Valkenburgerstraat?	These are electricity stations that are used to meet the increasing demand for electricity due to the energytransition.
9	What will the municipality do about the bicycle parking on the sidewalk of its own staff at the Jodenbreestraat 25 building?	The municipality is working on realizing more bicycle parking facilities in the area and trying to make the bicycle cellar under the municipal building more attractive and accessible for employees.
10	Is it possible to camouflage the two compact stations as much as possible, by using green, full shrubs of sufficient height?	The compact station will be positioned in such a way that they are in a green area, but the grid operator must be able to access them. We discussed greening the compact stations with Liander, but (climbing) plants around it or a green roof, can cause damages to the compact stations with technical damage as a result. Therefore they do not want to cooperate with our request.
11	What about the greening of the entrances to Koerierstersplein and Februariplein?	The designs for the entrances have been worked out and shared with the different VvE's Markenhoven for discussion.
12	And what is being done about traffic in the green belts?	Poles and wires are placed around the green areas so that they are protected.
13	What is done with cardboard trash? According to APV I can just dispose it as household waste.	That's not correct, when cardboard is wet, it's useless. Therefore the municipality want to keep those fractions separate, otherwise it is not suitable to recycling.
14	What about compost? Where can people dispose their green waste - will there also be an underground worm bin or compost bin?	You can take care of a worm hotel with a group of local residents. Requests via https://www.amsterdam.nl/wonen-leefmilieu/medebeheer/wormenhotel/ When we collect green waste, we do it in small units. That is a very heavy category of waste and therefore not suitable for underground containers. You will not be able to lift a full container out of the ground.

15	Dave, nice explanation of the participation process, doesn't that also apply to the green design?	Yes, that also applies to the different green projects. It will be discussed in the district committee, after which adjustments can still be made. The final design is sent to the
16	How often are those containers emptied?	The area is organized in such a way that we have to come once a week. The cars are very durable and meet the latest technology. As soon as possible, we will also have the cars drive electrically. The press container is also electrically powered, which uses a very low wattage.
17	How many m2 will be transformed to green and why do you call it an acupuncture approach?	A total of 4,200 m2 of plants, trees and grasses will be added in this area. With acupuncture we mean that we have a fragmented approach. We investigate per situation where we can add green in the existing situation.
18	Can the trees that will be removed from the Valkenburgerstraat be reused and replaced at the Prins Hendrikkade / IJ tunnel intersection?	It is better to plant a new tree. Moving trees is very difficult and expensive and also then the question is whether it will succeed.
19	Can bicycles, scooters, mopeds and motorbikes be placed in parking spaces that will be removed?	We have created a number of extra parking places for bicycles there.
20	Can the tunnel wall be painted green? To give even more green signal to motorized traffic	We have asked tunnel management whether they can include this in the maintenance. We have no influence on whether they will also choose the color green.
21	And what about the greening of the police and fire brigade? The roof of the police office has just been renovated.	Discussions have taken place about this, but budget cuts at the police department do not currently allow any other investments. We keep in touch, but we notice that it is not a priority for the police.
22	Does the low / multi-trunk vegetation also have a sound-damping effect?	A noise study has been done before on the Valkenburgerstraat, adding bushes and trees will dampen the sound a little bit, but no more than 2db.