The Official Pavement Code
Rule 1
This is how to fail a bike parking test. Quite spectacularly.

Leave a clear path when parking bikes.
Rule 2
Leaving bin bags out at the wrong time is rubbish.

Bin bags trip people up.
Please put them out at the right time.
Rule 3
A-boards can be a pain in the A-hole.

Please don’t leave A-boards in the middle of the pavement. They cause obstructions to people with sight loss.
How to offer help to someone with sight loss

Rule 4
Say hello and introduce yourself.

Rule 5
If you think they might need help, just ask.

Rule 6
Listen to their response and try your best to do as they’ve asked.

Rule 7
Don’t forget to say goodbye so the person knows that you’re leaving.
Rule 8
Pointing is often pointless.

Instead of using gestures, use your words to provide directions.
Rule 9
Assisting is great.
Grabbing less so.

Do not grab an arm, ask how to help. Blind and partially sighted people will tell you how they’d like to be guided.
Why everyone needs to follow the Pavement Code

Every month, blind and partially sighted people are injured by street clutter, such as rental bikes, bin bags and A-boards, left carelessly in the middle of the pavement. This is why we’ve created the Pavement Code – to help make pavements a safer place for everyone.

Thank you for helping Islington follow the Pavement Code.

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