

As part of the refreshed Bee Network Vision for Greater Manchester, one of Dame Sarah Storey's 10 recommendations is to 'ensure education establishments across the region are provided with the tools to engage with every option available to support our youngest members of society'. 'School Streets' - defined as a temporary or permanent legal restriction on motorised traffic at school drop-off and pick-up times are a key element of this approach. We would like to know Wigan Council's approach to supporting these initiatives as follows

Trial School Streets

- 1) Please provide details of all temporary traffic regulation orders (TTRO) issued to support school streets between January 2020 and April 2023 including school name, address and date of TTRO

None

- 2) Please provide details of the process for a school to apply for a TTRO and how schools have been made aware of the process (e.g. website address or other mechanism)

N/A

- 3) Does the council have or is planning to have any policy or strategy that specifically relates to the roll out of school streets. If so, please provide details including any specific targets or KPIs

No specific policy

- 4) Does the council have or is planning to have any other policy or strategy that addresses an approach to increasing active travel to schools and if so, please provide details including any specific targets or KPIs.

No specific policy

- 5) Has the council provided any schools with any resources (such as toolkits, access to signage, safe walking route audits, cycle training) or incentives (such as Cycle Purchase vouchers) that encourage active travel to school?

Provided TRO and appropriate TRO signing
Provided "Road Closed" sign & cones
Provided "Walk & stride" map of nearby car parks

TfGM Funded Pilot School Streets Scheme

In May 2021, Greater Manchester was awarded a £15.9 million grant from the Government's Active Travel Fund. TfGM allocated £500k of this funding to a pilot scheme to support 50 schools across Greater Manchester to run a School Streets pilot, with £50K being allocated to each of the 10 district councils. Please provide the following details about how the scheme is being implemented for schools in Wigan;

- 6) Provide names and addresses of schools in Wigan that were or have been selected to take part in the pilot scheme

Kershaw Street for Lamberhead Green Primary School in Pemberton;
Pick Up Street, Ince for Ince CE Primary School and St William's RC Primary School;
Church Street, Golborne for St Thomas CE Junior and Infant School;
Leigh Street and Faith Street for Leigh St Peter's CE Primary School;
Windermere Road, Leigh between Gordon Street and Glebe Street for Leigh Central Primary School and Leigh Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School.

- 7) Provide details of how the schools were selected to take part in the pilot scheme

Situated on 20mph residential street, School Travel Plan accreditation in place and school willing to lead the scheme putting the road closure in place, marshalling it and undertaking risk assessment.

- 8) If no schools were selected, please provide reasons for this

N/A

- 9) Provide details including name(s), email address(es) and department (or company if sub-contracted) of the person with overall responsibility for overseeing the pilot scheme for the council

Traffic Management and Development Manager Wigan Council

- 10) Provide a breakdown of how the allocated £50K funding has or will be spent on the pilot scheme (broken down by school) including any costs for time or other resources (such as officer or consultancy time, consultations and letter distribution, signage, barriers, kit, promotion or communications materials), showing any over or underspend from the allocation. Where officer time is included, please provide specific details with a breakdown of how that time was spent.

We do not hold this information

- 11) Provide details of the proposed or actual dates for key milestones of the pilot schemes that are running or due to run including start of consultation prior to issue of TRO, issue of TRO, start of pilot, end of pilot (per school) - please provide dates for each of these milestones or indicate where no dates are available

Kershaw Street for Lamberhead Green Primary School in Pemberton operational from September 2020 to date;

Pick Up Street, Ince for Ince CE Primary School and St William's RC Primary School operational from January 2021 to date ;

Church Street, Golborne for St Thomas CE Junior and Infant School operational from February 2021 to date;

Leigh Street and Faith Street for Leigh St Peter's CE Primary School operational from September 2021 to date;

Windermere Road, Leigh between Gordon Street and Glebe Street for Leigh Central Primary School and Leigh Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School operational from May 2022 to date.

- 12) Provide details by school of current status of scheme (e.g. in consultation prior to issue of TRO, TRO issued and scheme underway, TRO issued and scheme due to start, scheme completed)

As above

- 13) Provide details of how consultation took place (e.g. notice in newspaper, meetings, website) both:

- a) Prior to the TRO being issued

Notices in local newspaper, on lighting columns in area and on our website

- b) Whilst the pilot was in place

Schemes were done via Experimental TRO initially with any comments/objections in first 6 months

- 14) Provide any details of schools where pilot scheme has completed and a permanent TRO has been issued or is proposed to be put in place

Kershaw Street for Lamberhead Green Primary School in Pemberton permanent TRO in place.
Pick Up Street, Ince for Ince CE Primary School and St William's RC Primary School permanent TRO in place;
Church Street, Golborne for St Thomas CE Junior and Infant School permanent TRO being put in place;
Leigh Street and Faith Street for Leigh St Peter's CE Primary School operational permanent TRO being put in place;
Windermere Road, Leigh between Gordon Street and Glebe Street for Leigh Central Primary School and Leigh Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School permanent TRO currently being considered.

- 15) Provide any details of schools where the scheme has been completed and there is no intention to put in place a permanent TRO. Where this is the case, provide details of the reason for this decision (e.g. lack of funding, negative response from local residents)

N/A

- 16) Provide details of any support given to or proposed to be given for schools by the council or their subcontracted partners prior to or during the pilot (e.g. training, advice, toolkits, attendance at assemblies, traffic monitoring etc)

As the Road Safety Team on behalf of Wigan Council we offer help and support in setting up the scheme with qualifying schools by,

Helping to set up Junior Travel Ambassadors within the school.

Junior Travel Ambassadors play a major role in a successful School Streets Scheme. They are the driving force of the campaign from inside the school. They are the ambassadors of road safety and active travel within the school, helping the school to achieve a successful Modeshift STARS School Travel Plan. School Streets is just one of the many schemes they can be involved in to help achieve accreditation.

They promote the scheme, encouraging the whole school community to get involved and they monitor the scheme to record its success to determine any improvements that need to be made to ensure a greater success rate.

The help we offer to the JTA.s are

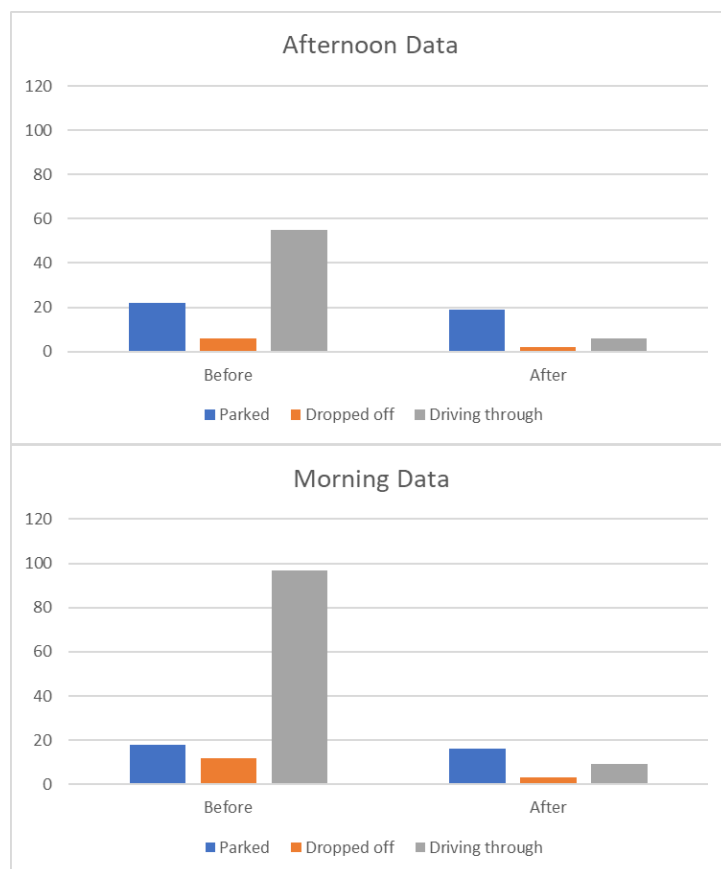
Social media ideas
Assembly Ideas
Noticeboard ideas
Competition ideas and certificates
Survey collecting
Poster and Leaflet ideas
Build up to launch day information

In addition to this we offer resources to teachers to help with the launch these include

Letters to parents
Letters to residents and businesses
Social media
Assembly ideas
Lesson plan ideas
Maps and information sheets.

- 17) Provide details of any planned or actual monitoring or evaluation of the scheme that have been or will be resourced by the council, their sub contracted partner or other body (e.g. manual or automated traffic counting, surveys of residents and parents perception, surveys of active travel behaviour by pupils at schools)

Monitoring is encouraged by the school to be completed before and after the scheme is implemented. Example of information is below.



Ideally this information should be done every 6 months to see the scheme is still working or even better may have improved.

Automated enforcement of school streets

- 18) Has the council applied to the Secretary of State for new powers to enforce 'moving traffic offences'?

Yes

- 19) If yes, does the council have any plans to use these new powers to enforce School Streets, for example through use of cameras? Please provide details.

No plans have been made at this time.

- 20) If the council does not plan to use these powers for enforcement, by what other means does the council intend to enforce moving traffic offences on any School Street that becomes permanent? Please provide details.

No decision has been made at this time.