

APPENDIX D

School Streets Consultation Leaflet:

Have your say
by Sunday 25
June 2023



Medway Safer Healthier Streets

We want your feedback on School Streets for **Burnt Oak Primary School**.

Tell us what you think about proposals for **Richmond Road, Devonshire Road and Cornwall Road**.



Scan the QR code or respond online at: www.medway.gov.uk/SchoolStreets

What is a School Street?

A School Street is a road outside a school with a temporary restriction on most motorised traffic at school drop-off and pick-up times, providing the opportunity for people to walk, scoot or cycle safely. Residents of the street can apply for an exemption to the restrictions.

School Streets improve safety and transform often busy and polluted school roads into safer, cleaner and healthier environments for all.

By limiting motor vehicle access outside schools we can improve road safety around pick-up and drop-off times and create safe walking, cycling and scooting routes to and from school.

Restrictions only operate at certain times of the day during the school term and don't impact local residents or emergency vehicles.

By adopting this approach we make the road safer for pupils, pedestrians, and motorists and encourage more sustainable modes of transport in our community.

Why are we proposing School Streets?

We are proposing to introduce School Streets to help ensure the areas outside our schools are safer and healthier for our children and local residents.

By implementing School Streets, we can take proactive measures to address traffic at peak hours helping to improve road safety and reduce air pollution.

What is proposed for Richmond Road, Devonshire Road and Cornwall Road?

The proposal is to introduce a time-limited road closure (School Street) on Richmond Road, Devonshire Road and Cornwall Road between **8 to 9am** and **3 to 4pm** during school term time.

1,000 children are killed on school roads every year in England, and an estimated 16 children a week are fatally hit or seriously injured during the morning and afternoon school runs each week.

Vehicles will not be able to enter the streets between these times unless they have been given an exemption. Residents and businesses who live and work on a School Street will be able to register for an exemption as well as Blue Badge holders. The scheme will not operate in the school holidays or at weekends.

What are the benefits of a School Street?

- Creates a safer environment for school children - by reducing the number of cars on roads surrounding schools and reducing the risk of road collisions.
- Decreases traffic and congestion - not only in the immediate School Streets, but overall, bringing benefits to the wider community;
- Boosts public health - by encouraging exercise via active forms of travel (walking, cycling, scooting).



How will a School Street be enforced?

A School Street is enforced by way of mounted static cameras that are located at the entry to the School Street, along with signage to advise visitors to the area what times they cannot drive into the road/s. The enforcement times coincide with school pick-up and drop-off times and are normally in place for a period of one hour at the start of the day and one hour at the end of the day.

Can I park on the street during the hours of restriction?

Yes, parking and any parking restrictions are unaffected by the School Street. The restriction applies to entering the road during the operational times of the School Street.

What about parking for residents of the School Street?

Residents parking areas can be accessed by properties who have applied for and received an exemption. Anyone living within the School Street area is eligible for an exemption.

Have your say

Your feedback on the proposal is important and will help us make a decision about the scheme. Please scan the QR code or respond online at:

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What happens next?

Should we proceed with these proposals, residents will receive a letter to inform them about the start date of the scheme with details of how to register a vehicle or vehicles for exemption. Public notices advising of the changes will be displayed in the street.

More Information

For more information or to request a hard copy of the survey, please email us.



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If you would like a hard copy survey or need this document in a different format or language, please get in touch.

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