



**COMMONPLACE
CONSULTATION
SCHOOL STREETS (CALCOT)**



**SCHOOL STREETS
CAR FREE**

**SCHOOL STREETS
KEEP CLEAR**

**SCHOOL STREETS
SLOW DOWN**

**SCHOOL STREETS
SWITCH OFF**



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<https://calcotschoolstreetsmap.commonplace.is/>

The council is committed to improving walking and cycling for everyone, making it healthier and safer. As part of the government's Active Travel Funds (ATF2), a grant was awarded specifically for the council to introduce a school streets scheme and will include an opportunity to introduce wider benefits linked to Active Travel choices for local residents.

The consultation results are detailed below and will form the basis for the scheme which will be introduced at the start of the new school term (September 2021).

This document will also seek to outline the additional training and support that will be available locally that has also been identified as required by those that have provided feedback.

CONSULTATION RESULTS

The consultation ran for just over 8 weeks – launched Monday 22nd February and closed Friday 23rd April.

377

Visitors



An individual person who visited a Commonplace website. If a person used multiple devices, they may be counted as several visitors.

86

Respondents



A person who contributed to a Commonplace website by either adding a comment or an agreement.

87

Comments



A comment is a contribution that someone made to express their opinion.

60

Agreements



An agreement is a one click interaction to agree with an existing comment.

Engagement summary

147 Contributions

87 (59%)

Comments



73 (84%)
Confirmed *

0 (0%)
Surveyed *

8 (9%)
Pending

6 (7%)
Anonymous

* Only confirmed and survey comments are public.

60 (41%)

Agreements



52 (87%)
Confirmed *

0 (0%)
Surveyed *

0 (0%)
Pending

8 (13%)
Anonymous

* Respondents can only agree with public comments that are not their own.



Contributions overview

86 Respondents

69 (80%)

Confirmed respondents



A person who contributed by commenting or agreeing and confirmed their email address to be genuine.

[View confirmed](#)

0 (0%)

Surveyed respondents



A person who was interviewed at a workshop or filled out a paper questionnaire which was transcribed into Commonplace.

[View surveyed](#)

8 (9%)

Pending respondents



A person who contributed, whose email is likely to be genuine, but they did not confirm it by clicking the email Commonplace sent them.

[View pending](#)

9 (10%)

Anonymous respondents

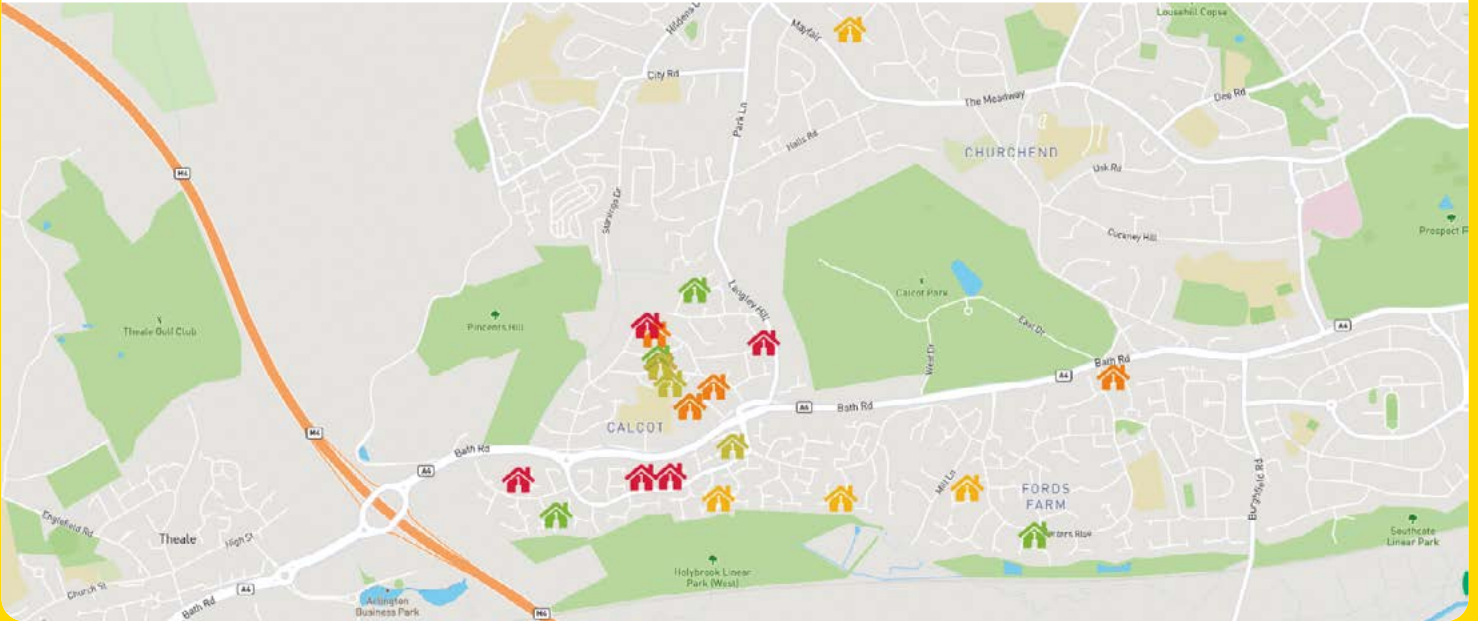


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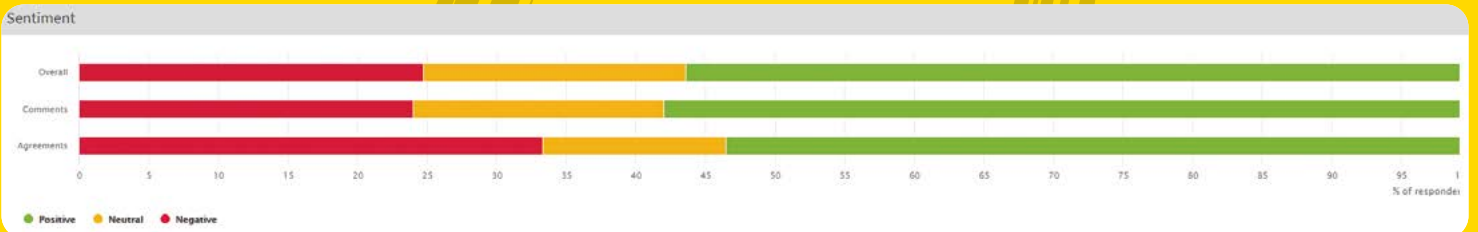
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Where do respondents come from

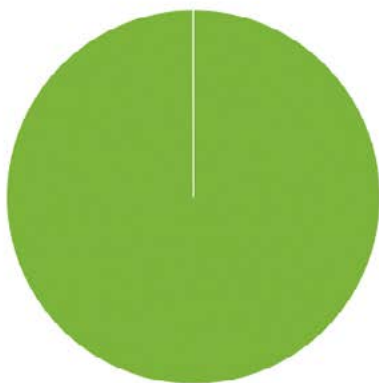
This map shows the average sentiment of respondents by postcode. The number in the house icon represents how many respondents provided the same postcode. This map shows 31 full postcodes provided by respondents.



Respondents summary

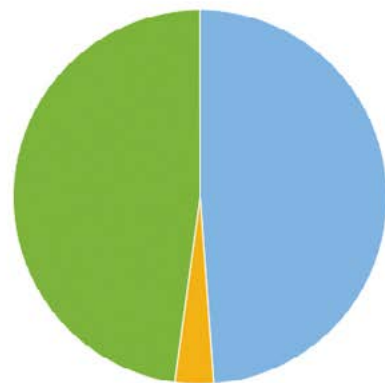


Web or survey?



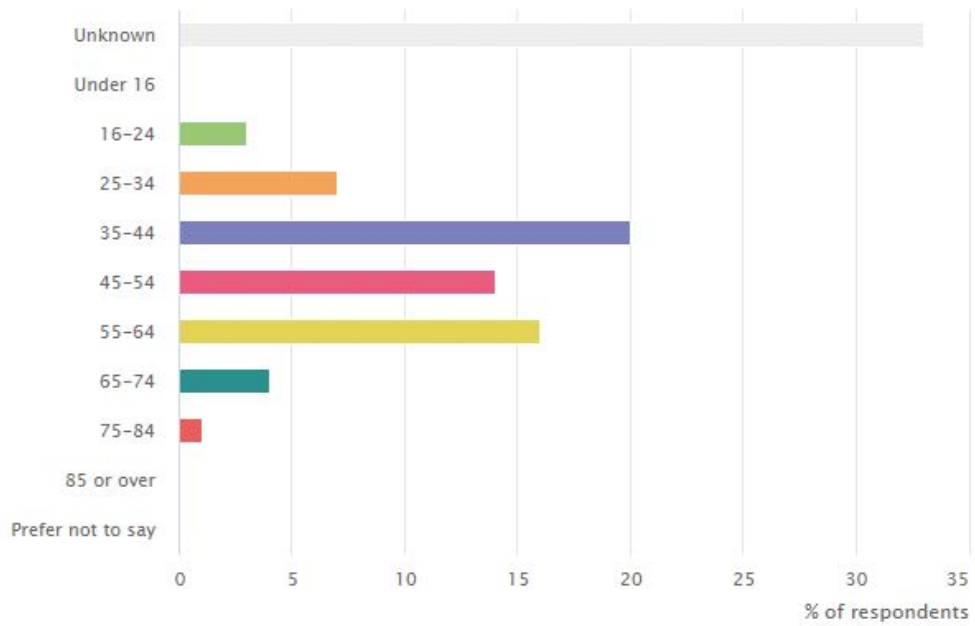
Legend: Web (Green), Survey (Purple)

Devices

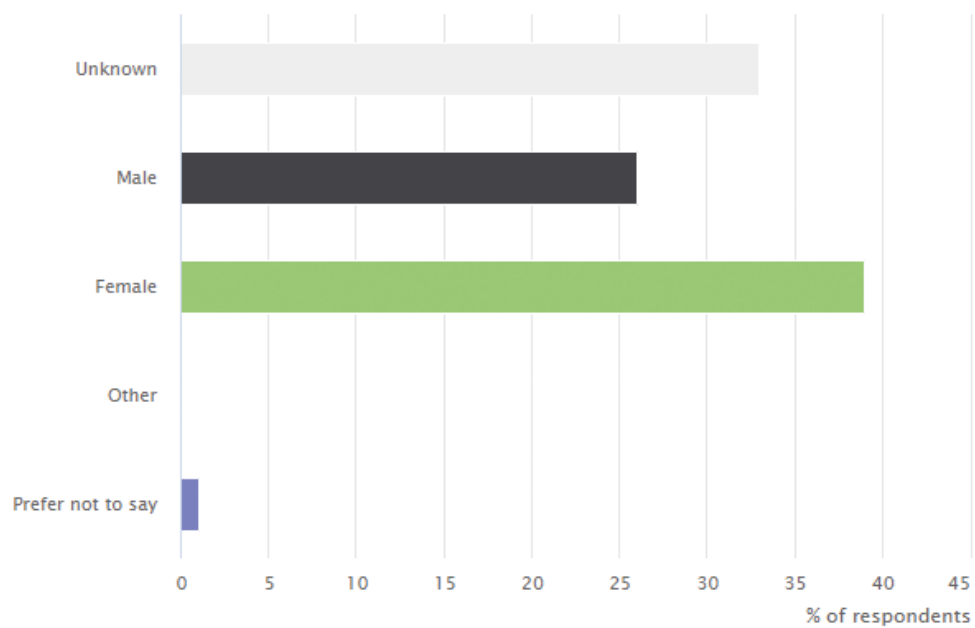


Legend: Mobile (Blue), Tablet (Orange), Desktop (Green)

What is your age group?



What is your gender?



Communication

Communication is key to inform those that feedback initially – using this communication line the report will be shared and updates provided leading them into a smooth PHASE 2 (scheme introduction schedule). Other PR and social media formats will also be used to provide this information.

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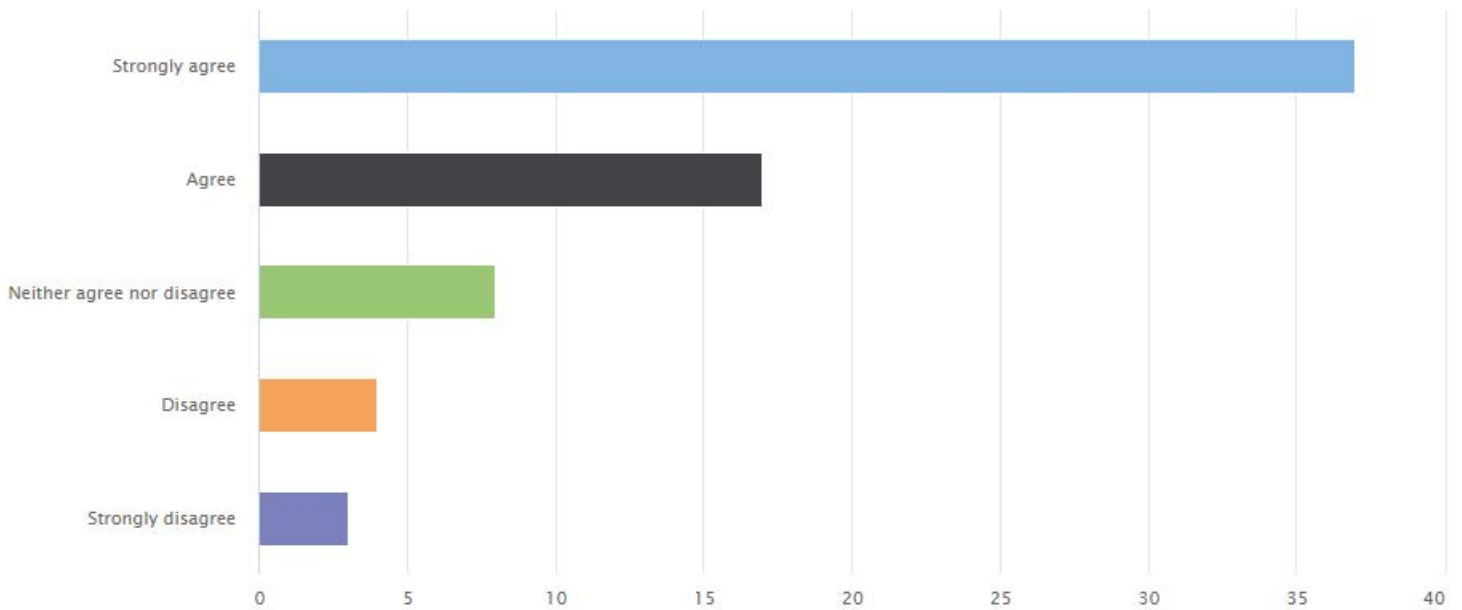
Can be contacted directly

Respondents who agreed to be contacted in response to their contributions or information provided.

[Send group email](#)

CONTRIBUTION SUMMARY

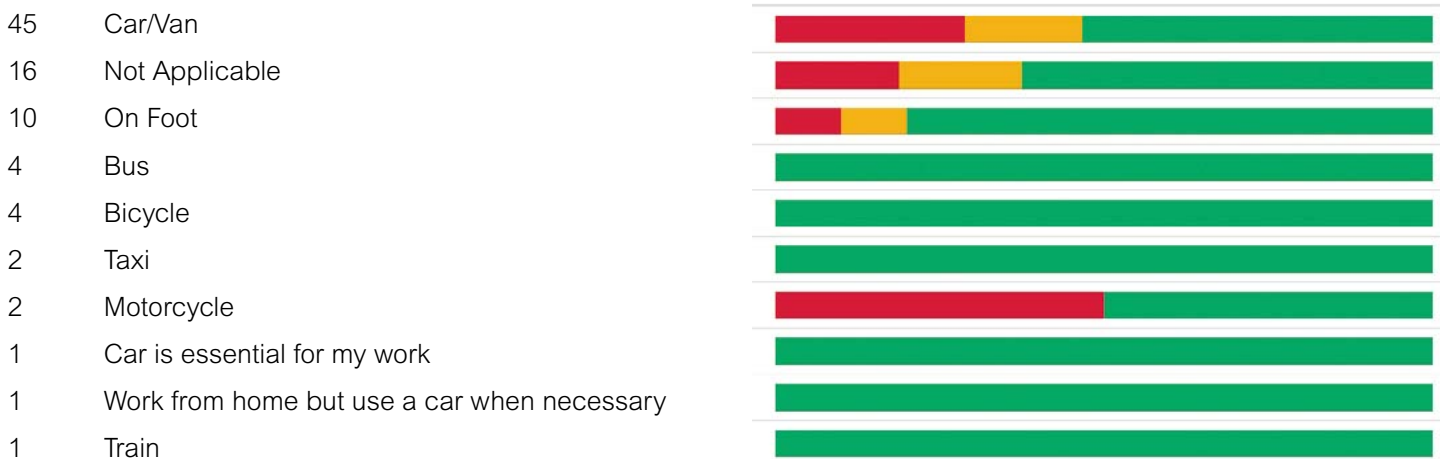
To what extent do you agree or disagree with our aspiration to encourage more walking and cycling in Calcot?



Which modes of transport do you use to move around Calcot? Please select all that apply



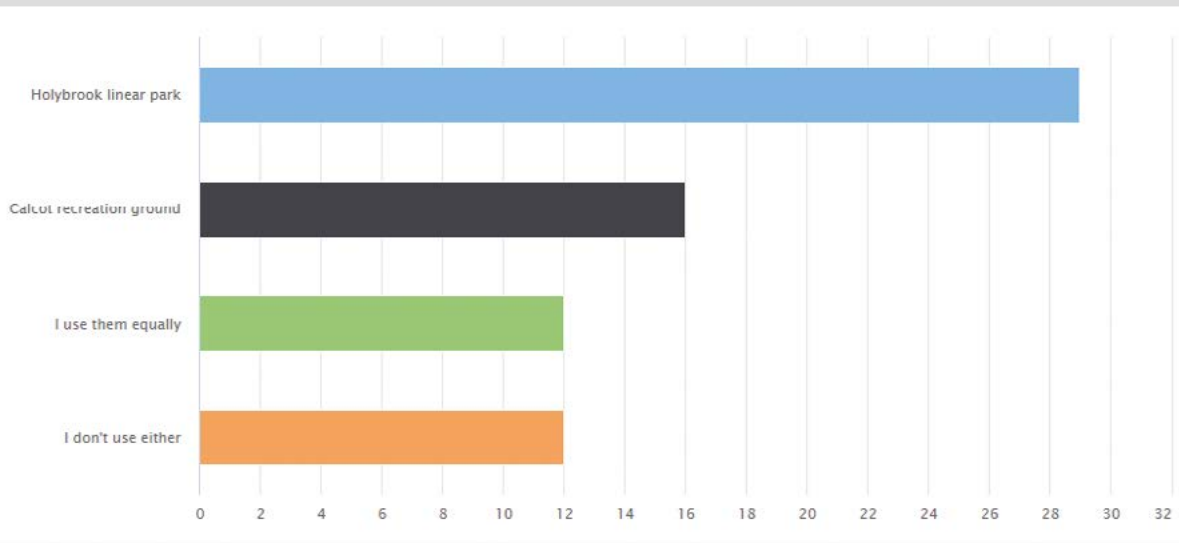
What is your main mode of transport to get to work? Please select all that apply



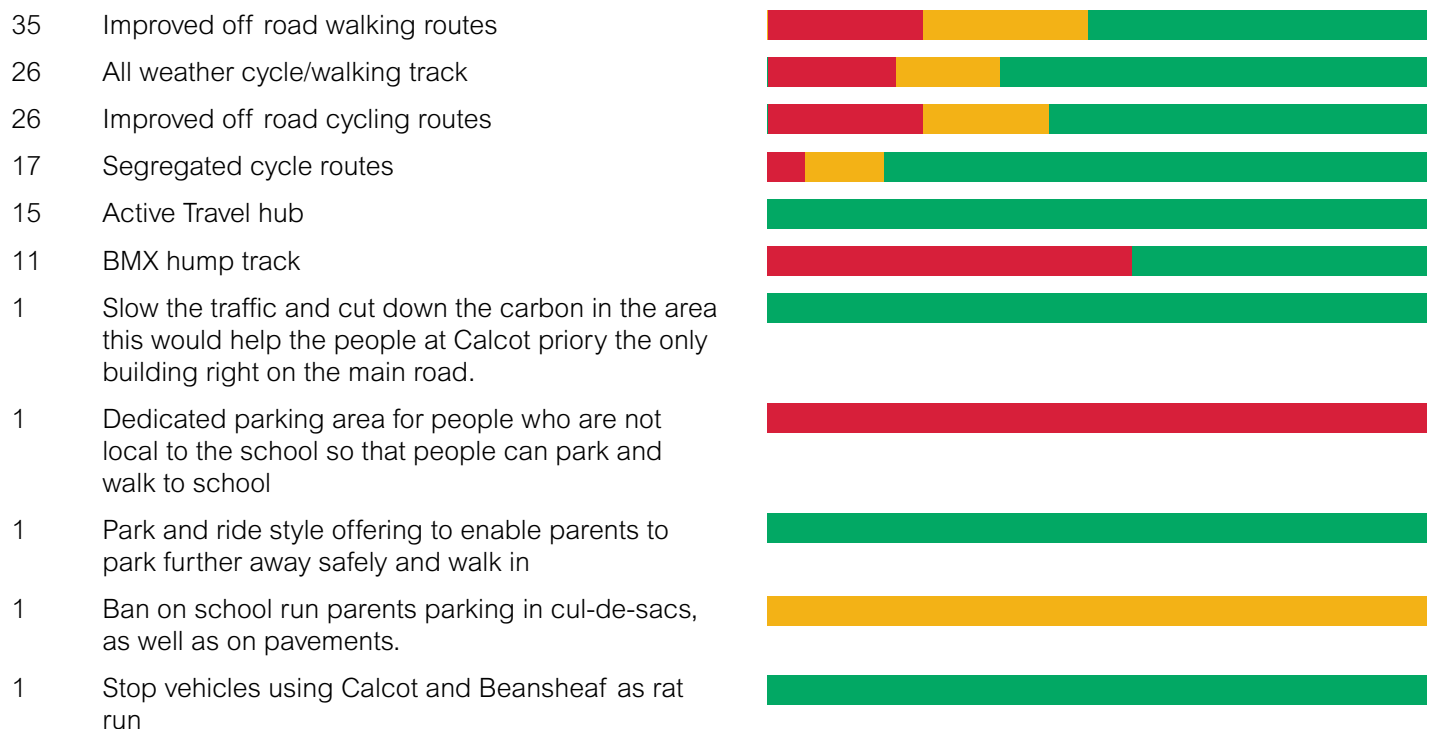
What is your link to the area?
Please select all that apply







Which green space in the Calcot area do you use the most?



















What facilities for active travel would you like to see in the Calcot area?
Please select all that apply



1	A pedestrian walkway on the Charrington Rd side of the A4 opposite petrol station in Calcot.	
1	More parking	
1	Lower the spread limit at the bath road entrance of Calcot school. Police patrols for the huge amount of drivers on phones, speeding and jumping the red lights. Beat the street or another walking insensitive for young people. .	
1	Parking hubs nearby that enable me to drive to the area but walk to school (the total distance is too far to walk	

What support for active travel would you like to see in the Calcot area?

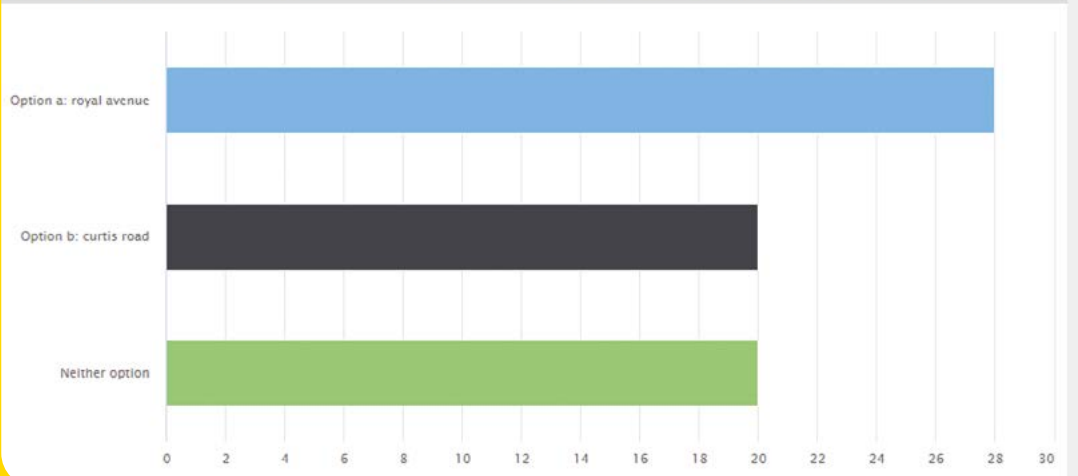
Please select all that apply

28	More child cycle training	
22	More local walking groups	
15	Group or family ride outs	
13	Help on bike maintenance	
10	Local loan bike scheme	
10	Help to upcycle a bike	
9	Adult cycle or confidence training	
7	More local cycling groups	
6	Local loan e-scooter scheme	
1	Greater responsibility taken by road users parking inappropriately at school dropping off and pick up times.	
1	Make the cycling riders that there are stop signs at the end of the pavement.and train them to treat walkers and mobility also have the right of way as well.	
1	Better and safer walking routes	
1	bath road crossing	
1	Schools should open gates to allow parents to park on their grounds, rather than annoying local residents.	
1	None	
1	bus routes running to the new travel hubs/parking hubs (to enable walking locally)	

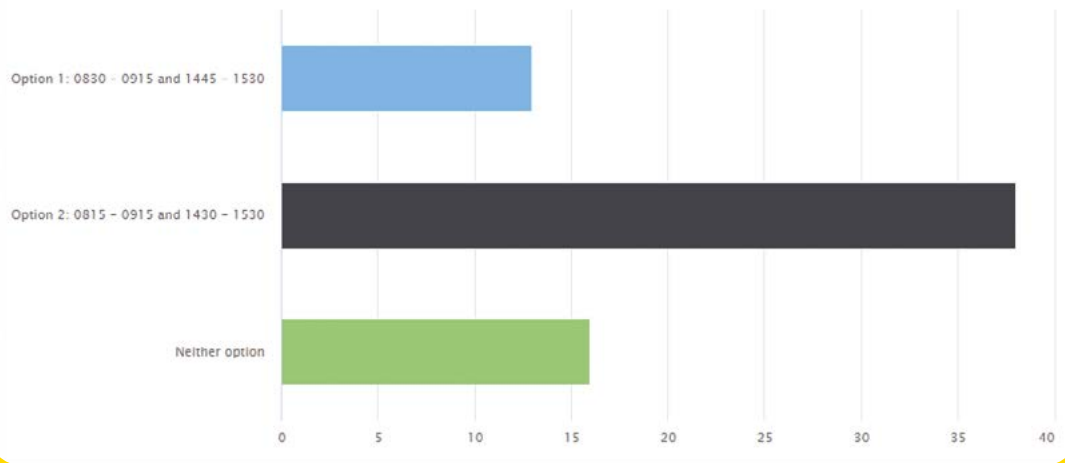
Why do you feel this way?
Please select all that apply



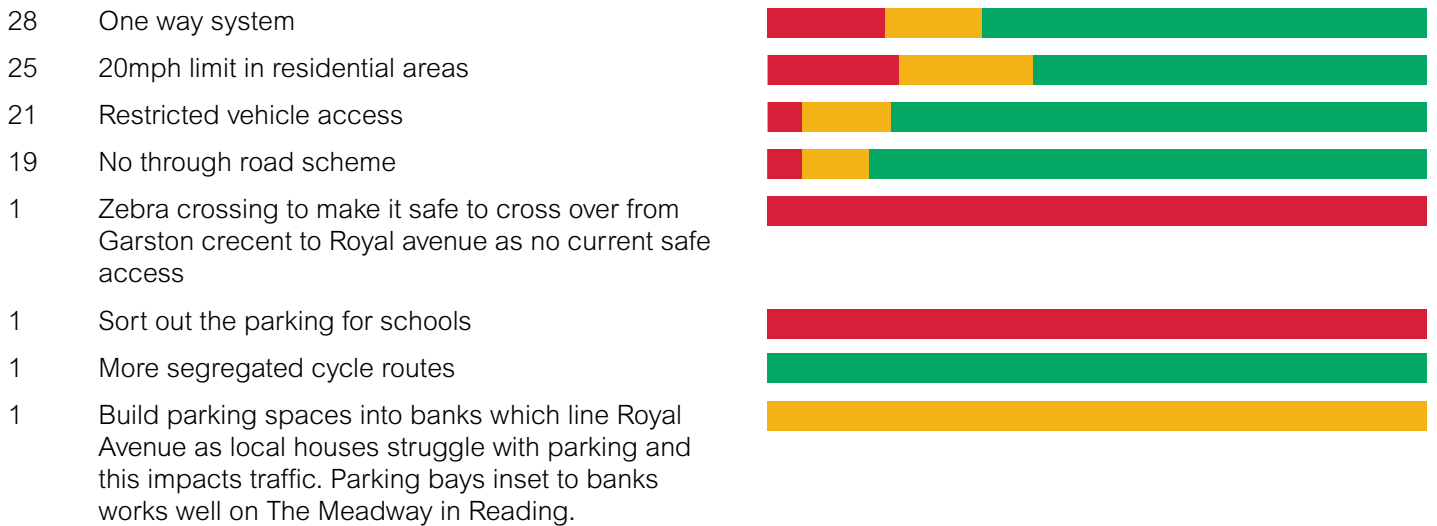
Which experimental vehicle 'no access' point do you feel will encourage more walking and cycling?



Which experimental vehicle 'no access' time do you feel will encourage more walking and cycling?



Do you have any other ideas to create a 'Pedestrian and Cyclist Zone' in the streets surrounding the Calcot schools? Please select all that apply.



SCHOOL STREETS SCHEME CALCOT, SEPTEMBER 2021

The School Streets scheme will be operational for the start of the new school academic year – 2nd September 2021. The information below outlines the schemes parameters based on the feedback from the consultation outlined in this document.

Experimental no access points

The experimental 'no access points' will be regulated under an Experimental Traffic Regulation Order' (ETRO) – appendix A and will remain in place (unchanged) for a period of six to nine months. During this time residents and those affected by the scheme will be able to feedback via the 'Design Feedback' consultation (Phase 2)

<https://westberksschoolstreetsphase2.commonplace.is/>

Any feedback collected during this initial operational stage will be assessed and if appropriate changes to the scheme will be made.

Experimental closure point: Royal Avenue

Experimental closure time: 1. AM: 08:15 – 09:15 2. PM: 14:30 – 15:30



The sign has been designed to be blanked off outside of the school term dates, this is achieved by a clever flap system which the school will open/close at the start and end of the school term. A solid platform at the base of the signs will also be included so it provides a stable area to use a step ladder on to reach the signs.

Reverse side

FLAP RIGHT

FLAP LEFT

Client Name	VOLKER HIGHWAYS (West Berks)	
Sign Reference	AD812/SS1	x-height 37.5
Letter colour	BLACK	Single Sided
Background	WHITE	Width 610mm
Border	BLACK	Height 1220mm
Material	Class R2	Area 0.74sq.m
Radius corner	2	Quantity 4
Number of bars	4	Channel bars MEDIUM
Metal	Layout	Dispatch

Client Name	VOLKER HIGHWAYS (West Berks)	
Sign Reference	AD812/SS1 FLAP	x-height 37.5
Letter colour	BLACK	Single Sided
Background	WHITE	Width 310mm
Border	BLACK	Height 1220mm
Material	Class R2	Area 0.38sq.m
Radius corner	N/A - 2	Quantity 4
Number of bars	N/A	Channel bars N/A
Metal	Layout	Dispatch

Before the end of the summer term warning signs will be placed in the area to warn local residents and road users of the impending changes to the access for a small part of Royal Avenue.

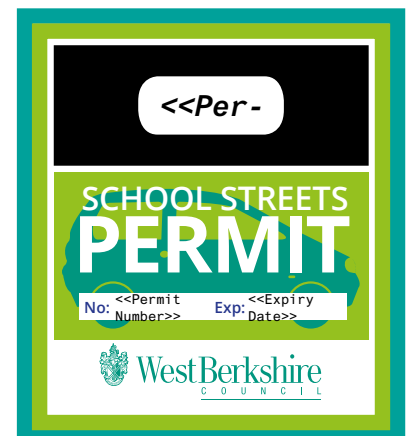
ADVANCE WARNING
School Street scheme
will commence from
2nd Sept 2021
Access restricted to
Permit Holders Only
WBC Contact Centre
01635 519080

Scheme Ref.	Royal Avenue	
Sign Ref.	S2	x-height 50.0
Letter colour	BLACK	SIGN FACE
Background	YELLOW	Width 1165mm
Border	BLACK	Height 950mm
Material	Class R3B Microprismatic	Area 1.11m ²

Permits

Local residents and staff at the two schools and community hub centres will receive permits to gain access to Curtis Road but access at the peak school AM and PM movement should be ONLY in exceptional circumstances. The school and hub management will be asked to remind staff of their responsibilities to support this project. The councils Parking team will allocate resident parking permits. Replacements can be requested via email

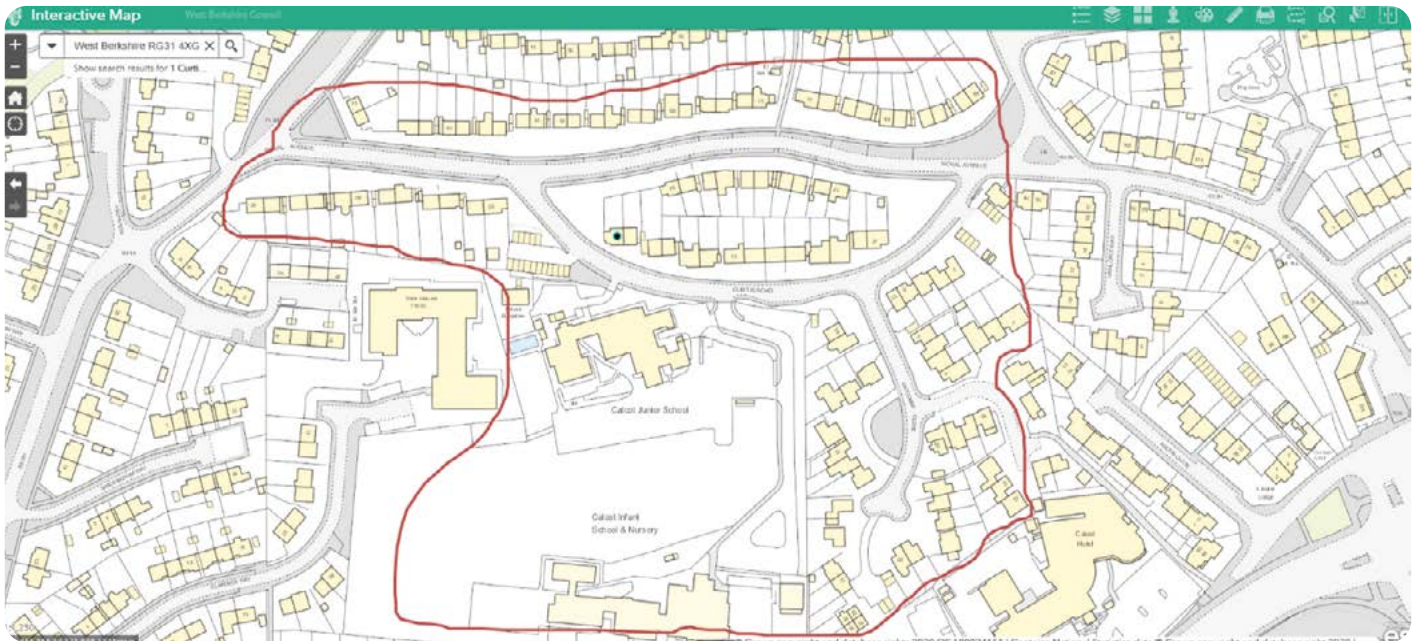
Parking@westberks.gov.uk



Permits will be distributed to all those entitled by 1st August 2021

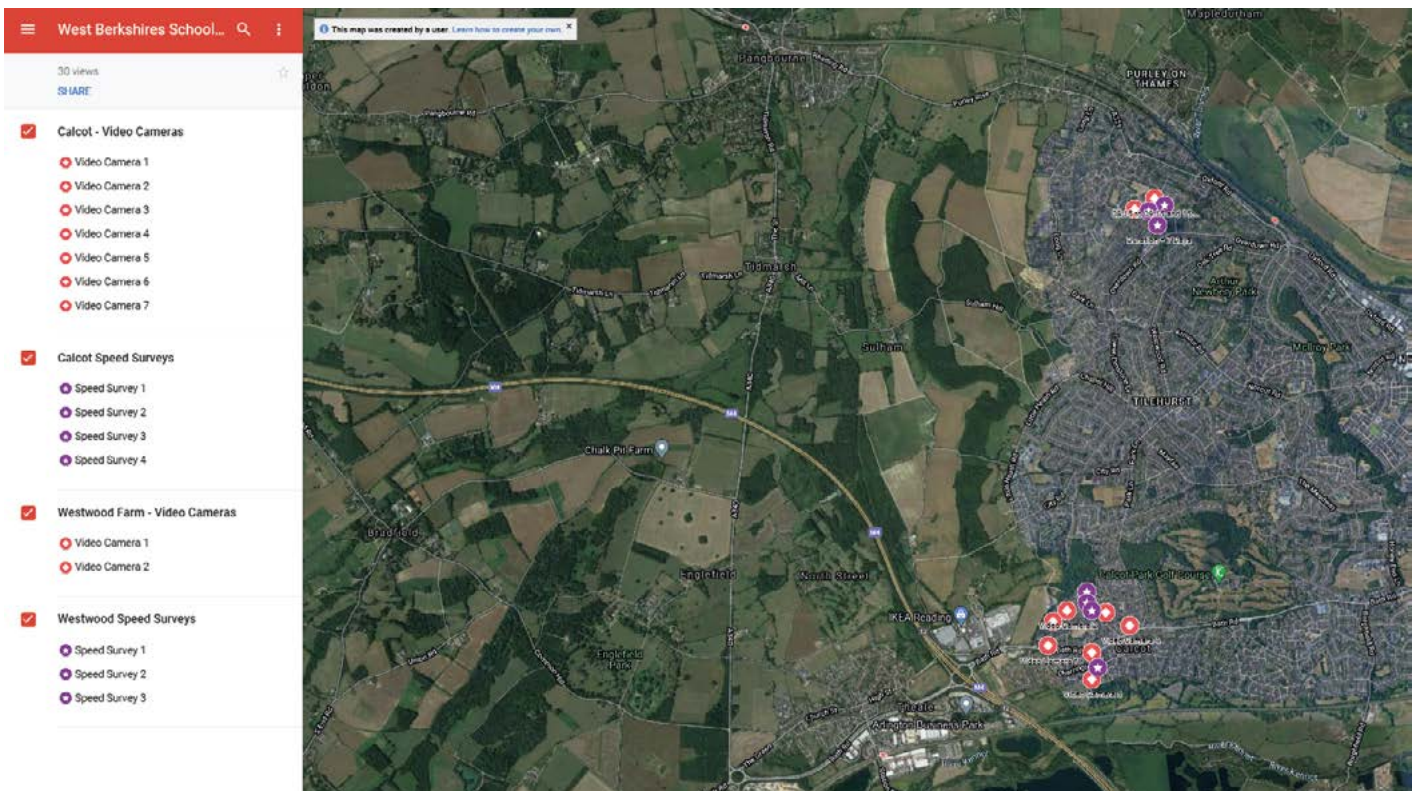
Residents

School and East Family Club (Calcot)



Road user monitoring

As part of the project the surrounding roads to the scheme will be monitored before and after the scheme is introduced. This will include monitoring Charrington Road due to local concerns raised in the consultation. Linear Park located on Charrington Road is also a proposed Walking Bus/ Park & Stride scheme location.



Active travel engagement

As part of the whole ethos of encouraging more active travel (walking, cycling and scooting) it is important to consider how this can be achieved and what the local residents need to achieve transition from using a motor vehicle. As part of the consultation the following activities and facilities were highlighted as their top priorities:

- More child cycle training (Bikeability Level 1,2 and 3 offered to local school)
- Group and family ride outs (Family Bikeability courses – summer holidays)
- More local walking/ cycling groups
- Bike maintenance support – Dr Bike funding available
- Upcycling project – work with Veolia (Padworth Site)
- Walking bus / Park & Stride schemes
- Community Club <https://bookwhen.com/avantifreewheelers-ccc-westberkshire>
launch 10th July 2021

It is important to note that this project is a pilot made possible by the Active Travel Fund (Tranche 2). Westwood Farm schools will act as the projects control, all the above activities will be made available to that school community – this will help the council determine the effectiveness of the school street measures.

Appendices

Appendix A – Experimental Traffic Order (ETRO)

WEST BERKSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL (SCHOOL STREETS PROHIBITION OF DRIVING – CALCOT INFANT & JUNIOR SCHOOLS) (EXPERIMENTAL) ORDER 2021

WEST BERKSHIRE COUNCIL in exercise of its powers under Sections 1, 2, 4, 9 and 10 of and Parts II and IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (“the 1984 Act”) and of all other enabling powers in accordance with the Local Authorities Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1999 and after consultation with the Chief Constable of Police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act hereby makes the following Experimental Order:-

Commencement and Citation

1. This Experimental Order shall come into operation on the [...] day of [...] 2021 and may be cited as **WEST BERKSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL (SCHOOL STREETS PROHIBITION OF DRIVING – CALCOT INFANT AND JUNIOR SCHOOLS) (EXPERIMENTAL) ORDER 2021**
2. The Interpretation Act 1978 or any replacing Act shall apply for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of any Act of Parliament
3. In this Experimental Order –
 - a. “Motor Vehicle” means a mechanically propelled vehicle intended or adapted for use on the roads as defined in Section 185 of the Road Traffic Act 1988
 - b. “Permit” means a permit issued in accordance with the West Berkshire Council School Streets Permit Terms and Conditions
 - c. “Restricted Hours” means 08:15 – 09:15 and 14:30 – 15:30 Monday to Friday during school term time
 - d. “the Roads” means the roads described in the Schedule to this Experimental Order
4. Save as provided in Article 5 no person shall cause or permit any Motor Vehicle except with the permission of a Police Officer in uniform to proceed along the Roads during the Restricted Hours
5. Nothing in Article 3 shall make it unlawful to cause or permit any Motor Vehicle to proceed along the Roads during the Restricted Hours (as long as it is necessary as no other alternative route can be used) if:
 - a. it is being used for the mechanical cleansing, maintenance, servicing, improvement or reconstruction of the Roads; or
 - b. it is being used for the laying, erection, alteration or repair in the Roads or any sewer, or any main, pipe or apparatus for the supply of gas, water, oil or electricity or of any communications apparatus as defined in paragraph 1 of Schedule 2 to the Telecommunications Act 1984 and Sections 106 and 151 of the Communications Act 2003; or
 - c. it is being used for Fire and Rescue, Police, Ambulance, Healthcare Workers (including doctors on call, district nurses, personal carers and support workers) service purposes; or

- d. it is being used for the service of the local authority or water authority in pursuance of their statutory powers or duties in connection with its activities at premises situated on the Roads; or
 - e. it is displaying a valid disabled badge, being driven by or carrying a disabled person to uplift or set down passengers or to wait at a property or premises on the Roads; or
 - f. it is displaying a valid Permit; or
 - g. it is being used for the removal of any obstruction to traffic on the Roads
6. The prohibitions and restrictions imposed by this Experimental Order shall be in addition and not in derogation from any restriction or requirement imposed by any regulations made or having effect of this made under the Act or under any other enactment
7. Under Section 10(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 the Council may modify or suspend the operation of the Experimental Order or any provision of it if it appears essential (a) in the interests of the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of traffic (b) in the interest of providing suitable and adequate on-street parking facilities or (c) for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which any road affected by the Experimental Order runs. This power shall be exercised only after consulting the appropriate Chief Officer of Police and giving such public notice as the Secretary of State may direct
8. The Experimental Order is Experimental and may continue in force for a period of 18 months up to [...] 202[]. In due course the Council will consider whether or not the provisions of the Experimental Order should continue in force indefinitely

THE SCHEDULE

School Streets Prohibition of Driving to be introduced

Monday to Friday 08:15 – 09:15 and 14:30 – 15:30

Road Name	Extent
Royal Avenue	Between its western junction with Garston Crescent and a point approximately 10 metres east of its easterly junction with Curtis Road
Curtis Road	For its entire length
Gatcombe Close	For its entire length

**THE COMMON SEAL OF WEST BERKSHIRE
DISTRICT COUNCIL** hereunto affixed this

[] day of [] 202[]
Is authenticated by:

Authorised Signatory

WEST BERKSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL (SCHOOL STREETS PROHIBITION OF DRIVING – CALCOT INFANT & JUNIOR SCHOOLS) (EXPERIMENTAL) ORDER 2021

Statement of Reasons

This Experimental Order designates a part time road closure during school term time in Royal Avenue in order to reduce the number of vehicles around Calcot Infant and Junior Schools.

The Experimental Order is intended to provide a safer environment for children travelling to and from the schools. It is also intended to encourage more physically active journeys and help in improving air quality surrounding the schools.

The Experimental Order is introduced as an experimental scheme so that the public's response to it may be assessed over a trial period, after which the Council intends to consider making a permanent Order having the same effect.

