## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

#### What is a School Street?

A School Street is a street where access to motor vehicles is prohibited at the start and end of the school day. Restricting access in this way helps to reduce congestion, improve road safety, and create more space for cycling, walking, and scooting to school by children and their parents/carers.

#### Why is the Council considering this?

School Streets is a response to credible requests for something to be done about congestion and road safety concerns, resulting from the high volume of traffic and parking outside schools at drop off and pick up times. Schools have to opt-in to be part of School Streets and work in partnership with the council.

The Council has also made it a priority to help children and their families to use cars less and to walk, cycle and use public transport more. This requires that a healthier and safer environment is established at the roads around schools, close to school entrances.

# Who will be able to access the road during the closure times?

The timed restrictions will be enforced through a legal traffic order which prohibits general traffic from accessing the road at the advertised times. In this case, timed restrictions will be in place at school drop off and pick up times. Access to the road is always permitted to residents and business located on the road, emergency services, Blue Badge Holders and parents/carers of children who are Compass Card holders.

# What happens next?

Please fill in the questionnaire by 29
November at www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/
school-streets-brighton-and-hove.

To request a paper copy or another format please email **transport.projects@brighton-hove.gov.uk** or call **01273 295795** and leave a message with your request.

All comments received during the consultation will be carefully considered and a further detailed design on the School Street scheme will respond to feedback raised during this consultation.

Yes, we are proposing permanent changes. We are carrying out this public consultation in advance to understand and incorporate the feedback into the design before proceeding. The changes to the road will require a Traffic Regulation Order which allows the public further opportunity to feedback once the changes are implemented.

#### What monitoring is being carried out?

We will use data collected through annual school travel surveys, as well as traffic counts, to record pedestrian, traffic, and cycle movements before and after implementation.

#### When will this work be completed?

Timescales will depend on the progress of designs and the outcome of this public consultation. However, it is expected work will be complete by Summer 2022. We will endeavour to complete all works during school holidays to minimise disruption.

A copy of this questionnaire can also be made available in other languages and alternative formats such as easy read, large print, Braille or BSL. Please contact us by email at

**transport.projects@brighton-hove.gov.uk** to request a copy in a different format.

# Supporting you

The introduction of a School Street will coincide with travel training for children and information to parents. The Council offers Personalised Travel Planning for anyone who would welcome support in planning a route to school using a different mode of transport. We also provide adult cycle training courses and deliver in-school cycle training for children.

If you would like some transport advice for getting around the city, please contact the team via email at transport.projects@ brighton-hove.gov.uk

**Did you know?** You can also collect points for walking, cycling and using public transport which you can redeem in local shops or donate to charity. Find out more: **www.moveforchange. betterpoints.uk** 

# **School Streets** at Westdene Primary School

School Streets aim to ease congestion and improve road safety outside the city's schools, so that more children and their families can walk, cycle and scoot to school. They are implemented on roads that have a school entrance, to make it easier for families to travel safely to and from school.

We want everyone to be able to access safe, inclusive and sustainable travel in Brighton & Hove. The introduction of a School Street will coincide with travel training for children and information to parents.

We are committed to becoming carbon neutral by 2030 and improving the mental and physical health of our residents including through better air quality. School Streets contributes towards these aims by encouraging and enabling sustainable and active travel for all or part of the school journey.

We are now seeking your views on proposals for a School Street road closure at **Westdene Primary School on Barn Rise**. Find out more about the proposals for this School Street and have your say in our online survey by **29 November 2021** at: www.brighton-hove. **gov.uk/school-streets-brighton-and-hove** 





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# The following changes are being proposed:

- Proposed introduction of a one-way system around the school with traffic entering Bankside from Mill Rise and Barn Rise and exiting onto Dene Vale. 'No entry' and 'turn right' signs will be placed at junctions.
- The one-way system will require closure of the slip road at the junction between Barn Rise and Bankside, which will be replaced by footpath widening.
- Traffic will also be able to enter Barn Rise from Dene Vale only, prohibiting access from Bankside.
- Three informal crossings will be created on Bankside to provide safer crossing points for children and their families as they arrive and leave school. The design of the crossings is to be determined.
- A raised table will be created on Barn Rise for traffic calming purposes. This will require widening of the footpath.
- Signage will be in place to make all road users aware of the timed restrictions and access to the road.
- Timed restrictions to be enforced on shown section of Barn Rise through a legal traffic order. This would prevent general traffic from using the road at school drop off and pick up times. Some groups will be exempt from the restrictions including residents, Blue Badge Holders, parents/ carers of disabled children

### Have your say

The views of the school community, local residents and businesses are important to inform the design of School Streets. We are now seeking your views on proposals for a School Street road closure at **Westdene**Primary School on Barn Rise. Find out more about the proposals for this School Street and have your say in our online survey by 29 November 2021 at: www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/school-streets-brighton-and-hove





