

Strategic Director – (Place)

DECISION SHEET (for no spending, revenue spending or capital expenditure of less than £100,000)

SUBJECT: ACTIVE TRAVEL FUND (4) - SCHOOL STREETS

APPENDICES:

None

MATTER FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. The government has provided allocations to local transport authorities from an Active Travel Fund (ATF). This is grant funding which supports authorities with producing cycling and walking facilities and promoting active travel through various interventions, the funding is in separate tranches and includes provision for School Streets.
2. A School Street is a road outside a school with a temporary restriction on motorised traffic at school drop-off and pick-up times. The restriction applies to school traffic and through traffic. Residents and businesses with premises in a School Street are still able to access these roads by car during the restrictions along with emergency vehicles and blue badge holders.
3. School Streets have the potential to provide many benefits for pupils, families, school staff and for everyone living and working close to the school including:
 - i. easing school-related congestion in local neighbourhoods
 - ii. improving the environment including air-quality
 - iii. giving children the chance walk, scoot or cycle to school, which helps them stay healthy
 - iv. improving road safety.

4. As part of the current Active Travel programme (ATF4) funding has been allocated for a minimum of 2 further School Streets, with the potential to add further sites subject to expenditure on those initially identified. The sites identified are:

- The Academy At St James primary, Bradford
- Horton Park primary, Bradford

FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

A budget of £48,000 has been allocated as part of ATF4 for the implementation of School Streets.

RISK MANAGEMENT

There are no significant risk management implications.

LEGAL APPRAISAL

There are no specific issues arising from this decision. The course of action proposed is in accordance with the Council's powers as Highway Authority.

OTHER IMPLICATIONS

EQUALITY & DIVERSITY - It is expected that there would be no disproportionate impact from the schemes recommended for promotion within this decision.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS - None.

TACKLING THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY IMPLICATIONS - None

COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS - None.

HUMAN RIGHTS ACT - There are no implications for Human Rights.

TRADE UNION - There are no Trade Union implications.

WARD IMPLICATIONS - Ward members will be consulted on the proposals.

AREA COMMITTEE LOCALITY PLAN IMPLICATIONS - None

RESOLUTION

I, David Shepherd. Strategic Director - Place to the City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council, pursuant to Article 14.20 of the Constitution hereby resolve: -

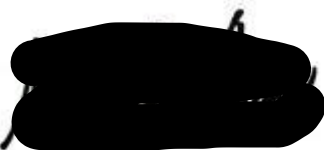
- i)** That authorisation be given to prepare and advertise an Experimental Traffic Regulation Order for School Streets at The Academy At St James primary and Horton Park primary, Bradford and additional school sites as prioritised.

- ii)** That any valid objections to the Order be given consideration by the Strategic Director Place and the Portfolio Holder - Regeneration, Planning and Transport, before a decision is made on whether or not to convert the experimental Order to a permanent Traffic Regulation Order

Dated this: 14th day of March 2024

Signed  Richard Hollinson - Assistant Director - Place

On behalf of David Shepherd, Strategic Director - Place

Signed 

Councillor Ross-Shaw, Portfolio Holder - Regeneration, Planning and Transport