

Environment Scrutiny Commission

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To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the open section of the meeting on 29 April 2021.

Dale Foden, Head of Highways, has provided the attached addressing queries raised at the last two meetings of the previous last administrative year on Healthy Streets performance , particularly about CPZ's, and School Streets.

At the last meeting this link was shared on Healthy Streets, https://www.healthystreetsscorecard.london/your_borough/southwark/, which gives a comparison for CPZ coverage with other London Boroughs. Dale has advised this is out of date and the actual coverage in Southwark has improved. He has provided an updated map of CPZs, LTNs, and a briefing on implementation on School Streets, with reasons for schools not proceeding.

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School Streets

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Background

The School Street Closure scheme is an initiative to work with schools to improve the environment outside the school. The intention is to improve safety and air quality by restricting the movement of vehicles during the normal school entry and exit times.

This can be achieved by a variety of measures such as removable barriers, full street closures, and camera controlled access. Measures may also include footway widening, particularly as a result of the pandemic and the need to ensure social distancing.

At a previous meeting of the Environment Scrutiny Commission, officers were asked to provide information on why some schools were not able to engage with the process.

Reasons for schools not wishing to join scheme

A summary of the reason why some schools have decided not to pursue a school street closure or footway widening scheme as follows:

- Insufficient resources to place and remove the temporary barriers at school dropping off and collection times
- School has determined they do not require any intervention measures
- School does not consider physical closure measures feasible but have requested other measures such as additional cycle parking
- School requested road closures on non public/private roads so not able to comply with request
- School does not believe road closure justified
- School not interested at present but asked to be contacted again once all lockdown measures ended



