

Covid-19 Cycling and Walking Emergency Response Measures

Proposed Measures at Wardie and Victoria Primary Schools to aid safe travel to school

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Dear Spaces for People and local councillors,

I am writing on behalf of Spokes - the Lothian Cycle Campaign

Wardie Primary School

We support the closure of the lane to the school but we are very concerned that pupils have to approach the lane from the A903 Granton Road. Therefore this SfP project should be accompanied by or followed by a wider Safe Routes to School project to ensure safe cycling and walking from the main residential catchment areas. In the meantime speed restrictions and signage would improve safety.

Victoria Primary School

We support this proposal. The road closure will also stop a severe rat-run, which is dangerous and unpleasant for the local population in addition to children going to and from school. If there is local opposition, the Council could consider allowing access through the closure for local residents if this can be suitably enforced, to avoid the need for some lengthy detours. Parking restrictions would also give more space for cycling to school and give greater visibility.

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