

CIMT Monday 4th February 2021 – Spaces for People Project Approval

Notification sent to all ward councillors, transport spokespeople, emergency services, Living Streets, Spokes, RNIB, Edinburgh Access Panel and relevant Community Councils on 3rd December 2020. Recipients were given five days to respond with comments. The measures would be implemented under emergency delegated decision-making powers using a Temporary Traffic Regulation Order. Given the urgent nature of these works, normal expectations about community consultations cannot be fulfilled.

Project Proposal

Location	Justification	Recommendation
Brunstane PS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Road closure at Magdalene Drive at junction with Magdalene Gardens with barriers, maintaining access for residents and cyclists. Road closure at Magdalene Drive at junction with Magdalene Avenue, whilst maintaining access for residents, blue badge holders, waste collections and school deliveries. 	<u>Proceed with closures and prohibition of vehicles.</u>

Feedback

Comment from	Comment	Response
Councillor Feedback		
None received		
Community Council		
None Received		
Stakeholder Feedback		
Head Teacher	This looks ideal. This will make a huge difference in allowing families to distance and exit safely.	Noted, thank you for the support.
Robin Wickes Access Panel	Please check the wisdom of closing the northern end except for residents, blue badge holders, waste and school deliveries, and the southern end except for cyclists and pedestrians. It's important to ensure there's plenty of space for large vehicles to turn round so that they can both enter and exit safely at the northern end.	Noted.

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<p>Catriona Burness RNIB</p>	<p>Street layouts can cause difficulties at the best of times for visually impaired people. We want to ensure that any temporary changes to our streets that may appear across Scotland allow blind and partially sighted people and those with other disabilities to get around safely.</p> <p>Our policy position detailing our concerns and potential solutions, including a Coronavirus Courtesy Code which we believe would help ensure blind and partially sighted people can get out and about whilst maintaining a safe distance from others can be found on our website at https://www.rnib.org.uk/scotland/campaigning-rnib-scotland/coronavirus-courtesy-code</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>Spokes Party</p>	<p>Spokes Party welcomes the council's continued attempts to improve space for safety for active travel around Brunstane Primary and fully supports this proposal.</p> <p>The use of full time 'School Streets' style filtering on Magdalene Drive seems appropriate in this case. We feel that a full 'School Streets' scheme, similar to those which have been successfully implemented around various other schools in Edinburgh, is the best solution to Brunstane Primary's historic problem with traffic. We appreciate that this may not be possible under the Spaces For People scheme, but hope that such a solution is now being looked at in the longer term.</p> <p>It would be good to work with the council's waste team to limit use of waste collection vehicles, where possible, in the vicinity of the school during drop off and pick up times.</p>	<p>Noted – we will liaise with the school on more permanent measures via the school travel plan review.</p>
<p>PUBLIC FEEDBACK</p>		
<p>None received</p>		
<p>COMMONPLACE</p>		
	<p>Magdalene Drive is used as a short cut by drivers avoiding queues on Milton Road. There are also a lot of parked cars on the road as few driveways. The volume and speed of the cars make it impossible for kids to enjoy a safe walk/cycle/scoot to school. We need Safer Streets to step in to close the roads during school drop off and pick up times. The kids deserve to be the priority.</p>	<p>Noted</p>

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	<p>This road is outside of a primary school, there are 3 different roads all merging on to it that surrounds the school entrance, there is also no dropped pavements for young kids to cycle, as the road is far to dangerous to cycle on, there is no parking restrictions so cars are parking anywhere and everywhere dropping kids off. The road is also being used as a rat run for vehicles trying to avoid traffic on the Milton road, so speed is also an issue. The situation is far to dangerous to be outside a primary school.</p>	