

# Appendix 1

## Summary Responses to Sustrans Active Travel Journey Planner Workshop at Mold Alun School.

There were 33 groups filled that completed questionnaires at Ysgol Alun, Mold on April 24<sup>th</sup> with approximately 150 pupils participating in the workshop sessions.

In **Bold** are the thoughts/suggestions which at least 8 groups put forward.

### Group Exercise 1.

Please list what you think are the benefits of walking and cycling to school/ sports club/ shops/ youth club etc, instead of travelling by car.

Comments	No. of Groups Responses
You get healthier/keeps you fit/less obese people/reduces risk of serious health issues	<b>33</b>
Learning about environment/See wildlife/Being "green"	<b>11</b>
Less pollution/emissions from cars	<b>24</b>
Gets you and about /Get to see your mates/Social/meet new people	<b>15</b>
Fresh air/vitamin D.	<b>10</b>
Less chance of casualties/car accidents/Safer	5
Less money spent on fuel/saves money	<b>25</b>
Less fossil fuels burnt/better for the environment/reducing carbon footprint	<b>10</b>
Stops traffic (congestion)/less traffic/roads less busy/more parking spaces are free	<b>9</b>
Wakes you up/helps you get up earlier /more alert for lessons/motivated	<b>9</b>
Cheaper for the council as they don't have to repair roads (as often)	2
get to know places/helps navigation/take in surroundings	2
good for mental health/feel good about yourself/calming/relieves stress/makes you happy/fun	<b>9</b>
More exercise in the end you'll feel less tired	2

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If you ride a bike you get better at riding and it makes you enjoy it more	
It will encourage others	1
More independence	1

#### Group Exercise 2.

Please list the reasons that might put you off walking or cycling to school/  
sports club/ shops/ youth club etc.

Comments	No. of Group Responses
Crashes/Cars/being run over/dangerous/Injuries/fall of your bike	<b>19</b>
Don't feel safe/Danger to yourself	6
Long distances	<b>14</b>
Takes longer/Got to wake up earlier /Not enough time/worry being late	<b>16</b>
Not enough paths to walk/cycle/lack of paths/not enough off-road cycling routes/lack of short direction (short cuts?)	<b>10</b>
Pavements and roads too narrow	3
Traffic - too fast/main roads /crossing busy roads/busy/lack of crossings or lollypop ladies	<b>9</b>
More effort/Tiredness/Tiring/ Aches your legs	<b>19</b>
Disabilities	1
Wastes time	1
Rough people/anti-social behaviour/smoking/Safety(strangers)/Bullies/unsafe neighbourhoods/types of people	<b>12</b>
Convenience (of car?)/Inconvenience	3
Light footways (?)/If it's dark	5
Weather/cold/rain	<b>17</b>
Embarrassment/Difference/made fun of/look stupid in your helmet	6
no friends/ alone	3

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Air pollution/breathing in fumes	2
Pot holes in the pavement	1
Having bike stolen/not enough or no cycle parking/no secure bike parking	9
Getting lost on the way	1
Unresponsive traffic lights/needs more time to cross	1
Cyclists on the pavement	1
Visibility on country roads	1
Parking on pavements	1
Time of day/might be late	2
Hills	1
Not enough parking (not specified whether bikes/cars)	1
Not a bike (not owning one?)/ Not being able to afford one	3
Carrying books/shopping	1
Wastes money on your car	1
Sweat & smell	3

#### Group Exercise 3.

**Please list what improvements would encourage you to make your journey by foot or cycle.**

Comments	No. of Group Responses
More paths – cycle and walking, to schools/Make section for cyclists on the pavements/more off road tracks	16
Slow down traffic	1
More houses bought near busy roads	1
More speed cameras	1
Lower speed limits	2
More places you can only access with a bike/walking	1
More bike racks/Places to store bike/Bike lockers – including at school	7
Wider and better surfaced paths/Improved footways & paths/less potholes	13

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Areas more suitable for pedestrians	1
Free food/incentives and prizes	1
Sponsored walks	1
Better/more street lights & brighter	9
Directions/maps 2	2
Crossings – bridges/lollypop/zebras	5
Better security – cameras./make people feel safer	2
Litter clean up/clean up dog mess 4	4
Direct routes/short cuts 6	6
meeting up with friends	1
Safer routes/Safer neighbourhood/get drugged up people off the streets/safety of the way to school	4
Better environment	2
More scenic routes	1
Bike hire/bike schemes(?)	3
Less cars on the road	2
Safer bikes	1
More publicised/prove that walking and cycling is a good thing/take an umbrella (promote use)/being talked to about it	4
Reduce the stigma amongst students	1
Alternative routes/more places to cycle	2
Bike shops	1
Getting zorbs instead of cars	1
Bus shelters	1

#### Other Comments

Connah's Quay & Treuddyn need better lighting

More bike paths around Mold

New routes at Padeswood and Caerwys

Walk where there isn't vehicles/traffic free routes

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On Alun campus - <i>path to avoid buses</i>
Off road routes linking Northop/Buckley etc
Mold Rhydymwyn footway
Lack of streetlight
Excellent proposed cycle routes to school – much safer access
Glad dismantled railway getting done
Please can flower garden in skate park have lights on all the time
(Verbally)footway link between Lon Isaf and the Avenue (off Chester Road) could be promoted

#### Group Exercise 4

Pupils were provided with the INM's for comments

Support for:	No. of Group Responses
<p><b>Peripheral routes in Mold</b></p> <p>It will encourage people to ride bikes, especially traffic-free sections, helpful for people wanting to cycle to work</p>	<b>8</b>
<p><b>Maes Gwern Link Path into school</b></p> <p>Especially for the new houses, but need protection against bad people in cars</p>	<b>11</b>
Generally, both of these schemes were well received by students	