

COUNCIL: 21 SEPTEMBER 2023

TRANSPORT & STRATEGIC PLANNING STATEMENT

New School Streets

The following three new School Streets went live at the start of this month:

- Lawrenny Avenue in Canton – serving the new Fitzalan High School, Ysgol Pwll Coch and Y Nyth, the Pupil Referral Unit;
- Railway Terrace in Riverside – serving Kitchener Primary School
- Parts of Bromsgrove Street, Oakley Place, and Hewell Street in Grangetown – serving St Paul’s Church in Wales Primary School

School Streets are areas around school entrances, which are closed to vehicles during peak drop-off and pick-up times. Closing the streets to general traffic for these short periods in the morning and afternoon during term-time helps children to access school safely, reduces air pollution and supports families to actively travel to and from school. The School Street scheme now includes 19 streets and 22 schools across the city. Positive feedback has been received from schools, parents and local residents who have benefitted from this initiative.

Road Safety Cycle Training

Over the summer, the Road Safety Team ran eight cycling courses for children in Cardiff. 48 children attended the Learn to Ride courses and were able to ride by the end of the course. 42 pupils attended the on-road National Standard Cycle Training (Level 2) courses.

Highways Resurfacing

Highway resurfacing and surface treatment schemes have continued to be delivered throughout the city. So far this year, approximately 50 highways (i.e. either the road or pavement) have either been resurfaced or received treatment to improve the surface condition and prolong the life of the asset. This amounts to an investment of approximately £2.2M into the highway asset. In addition, localised resurfacing works, such as installing smaller patches and repairs, continue to be delivered to ensure that the asset is kept in a condition that is safe and appropriate for use.

Cardiff Dogs Home

Cardiff Dogs Home has been recognised with two RSPCA Pawprints Awards – a Silver Award in recognition of the standard of kennelling provided and a Gold Award for the team’s care of stray dogs. This latest recognition by the RSPCA means that the team at Cardiff Dogs Home have now received at least one RSPCA Pawprints Award every year since 2008. This is a remarkable achievement, which demonstrates the Council’s commitment to looking after and rehoming stray and rescue dogs in Cardiff.

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