

To the Welsh Ministers,

## Active Travel (Wales) Act 2013: Reporting Duties



In accordance with the duties under sections 7 (3) and 10 (2) of the Active Travel (Wales) Act 2013, please find below Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council's annual report for the 2016/17 financial year.

<p>The actions taken to promote active travel journeys</p>	<p><b>Existing Route Map (ERM)</b> – upon receipt of Ministerial approval of the Council's ERM on 12<sup>th</sup> August'16, the Council promoted and publicised the ERM via the website, utilised existing networks, staff newsletters, press releases and social media etc.</p> <p><b>Integrated Network Map (INM)</b> – early in 2017 (Jan-Feb), an initial opportunity was taken to conduct a short, focused public / stakeholder consultation to determine what active travel journeys are currently made; what perceived or actual barriers exist that limit the ability to make active travel journeys; and which routes are considered desirable to be included on the INM.</p> <p>The public, delivery partners, 'seldom heard groups' and children / young people were specifically targeted with a variety of engagement methods employed, including an online survey, a community event and school 'show of hands' surveys.</p> <p>These efforts supplemented work that officers had already carried out in respect of community events and visits to a number of schools across the County Borough, where pupils had been actively engaged in workshop discussion about their journeys to school and other activities.</p> <p>The Council promoted and publicised all INM consultation activities via the website, utilising existing networks, staff newsletters and social media, as well as attending a number of Secondary Schools, discussing the INM with several age groups hearing their views.</p> <p><i>[Note: a second (12 week) consultation will be held in the Summer of 2017 providing the opportunity for the public and stakeholders to comment on the Council's draft INM].</i></p>
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**Internal Liaison** – ongoing liaison with colleagues from Planning, Highways and Education departments to encourage promotion of and provision for active travel as part of new developments.

**NPT Map for Cyclists** – utilising data from the Council’s approved ERM, the ‘Neath Port Talbot – Map for Cyclists’ (prepared in partnership with colleagues from the City and County of Swansea), has been distributed to a wide variety of public buildings across the County Borough.

**Road Safety Team** – the Road Safety Team undertook a number of activities to promote Active Travel including<sup>1</sup>:

- **Cyclecraft (On road cycle training):** 20 Schools, 308 pupils, Year 6 pupils.
- **Cycle Awareness** (Years 3-Year 6): 10 Schools, 487 pupils.
- **Scooter Training** (all ages): 4 Schools, 63 pupils.
- **Balance Bike Training** (Nursery & Reception): 2 Schools, 50 pupils.
- **Foundation Stage Cycling** (Year 1 & 2): 4 Primary Schools, 241 pupils.
- **Road Safety Walks** (all ages): 4 Primary Schools, 423 pupils.
- **Kerbcraft** (Child Pedestrian Training Year 2): 33 Schools, 875 pupils.
- **Annual Quiz:** Road Safety hosts an annual quiz for Year 5 pupils, which is offered to all primary schools in Neath Port Talbot.

*[Note: school figures are based on the academic year September 2016 - July 2017].*

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<sup>1</sup> The figures for 2016/17 indicate a slight reduction from the previous year. This is attributed to the fact that the Council’s Primary Coordinator who delivers training to all Primary Schools was appointed to a new role in January’17. A new Coordinator has now been appointed and will start fully in the role from September’17 onwards.

<p>The actions taken to secure new active travel routes and related facilities and improvements</p>	<p>Completion of Skewen Link to administrative boundary with City &amp; County of Swansea (and beyond).</p> <p>Completion of the re-routing of NCN4 through Baglan Energy Park.</p> <p>Completion of the re-routing of NCN4 past Neath Port Talbot Hospital.</p> <p><i>[Note: all schemes were completed in March 2017].</i></p>
<p>Costs incurred for new active travel routes and facilities and improvements of existing active travel routes and related facilities carried out in the preceding full financial year</p>	<p>Skewen Link to administrative boundary with City &amp; County of Swansea (and beyond) - £192k.</p> <p>Re-routing of NCN4 through Baglan Energy Park - £26.7k</p> <p>Re-routing of NCN4 past Neath Port Talbot Hospital - £15.8k.</p>

In addition to the above (optional):

<p>Indicative spending for new active travel routes and facilities and improvements of existing active travel routes and related facilities funded or part funded by third parties.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
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Additional information (optional)

N/A

I confirm that this report will be published, in accordance with the statutory Delivery Guidance.

Chief Executive