

Dear parent/carer

I am writing to you to let you know about the plans to make improvements to the highways and footpaths around Leckhampton.

There will be approximately 2km of new footways and cycleways installed throughout the community, including a new footway and off-road shared footway/cycleway along Kidnappers Lane that will provide a continuous link along the whole of the road.

The new walkways and cycleways will promote sustainable travel making it easier for the pupils travelling to the new High School Leckhampton and for residents in the area to travel on foot or on bike.

In addition, a new Toucan crossing, which is designed for use by pedestrians and cyclists at the same time, will be installed on the A46 Shurdington Road between Woodlands Road and Kidnappers Lane. The existing crossing, near the Kidnappers Lane-Shurdington Road junction, will also be upgraded to a Toucan crossing.

These improvements will encourage and allow more pupils to walk and cycle to the new school, and reduce the need for cars on the road in the area. This will bring environmental benefits by reducing carbon emissions produced by school drop-off traffic.

Parking restrictions will also be put in place near to the school on Kidnappers Lane and Farm Lane to reduce the impact of traffic to residents in the local area.

Highways work is expected to begin in December, and will take around six months to complete. During this period, Gloucestershire County Council and its contractors will aim to minimise disruption to residents in the area.

All highways work will be completed before pupils relocate from the temporary site at Balcarras School to the newly built school in September 2022.

The full plans for the highways improvements can be viewed on the Gloucestershire County Council website. Visit <u>https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/high-school-leckhampton/</u>, for more information.

By visiting the website, you can also sign up for our email newsletter with updates on the High School Leckhampton project and the highways work.

Should you have any further queries, please contact highways@gloucestershire.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely,

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