



Safer Routes to School in Perton

Improvements made in Perton as a result of the Safer Routes to School scheme, which began in 2004.

A toucan crossing on The Parkway near St. Andrew's Drive makes it much safer and easier for both pedestrians and cyclists to cross this busy road. The crossing links into the National Cycle network, route number 19. New road markings and signs have also been installed along the route.



A footpath has been laid next to the bus lane, which links Yew Tree Lane and Gainsborough Drive.

Cycle storage has been installed at all Perton schools and all of the facilities are well used by pupils.



These recent improvements have been funded through other schemes.

The puffin crossing near the Pear and Partridge Pub makes it safer for local residents to cross this busy road and to use the surrounding pathways.



A zebra crossing has been installed on The Parkway at its junction with the northern end of Gainsborough Drive. The zebra crossing at the other end of Gainsborough Drive has been upgraded.



Staffordshire County Council has worked with South Staffordshire Council to improve pathways around the lake and landscaping has enhanced this area.



In addition to these improvements, the County Council's area Road Safety Officer is working with Perton schools to provide road safety training to children in the area. Schools also have the opportunity to offer cycle training schemes for different age groups with the help of the Road Safety Unit's Cycle Training Team.

A combined pedestrian footpath and cycle route has been created next to the River Penk, alongside Gainsborough Drive.



Set the Pace



This scheme has been introduced in the area to remind motorists of the need to drive within the speed limit.

Residents can join the scheme and will be sent a sticker to display in the rear window of their car. Leaflets about Set the Pace are available from the Perton Centre, Perton schools and the library.

Help the Safer Routes scheme in Perton.

Children

- Walk or cycle to school more often.
- Find a safe route to school and use it.
- Remember the road safety training, which you've been given at school.

Parents / Drivers

- Please help your children learn how to cross the road safely.
- Set a good example when walking yourself.
- Encourage your children to walk regularly. They will be fitter and healthier.
- Keep within the speed limits at all times.

- Please park well away from school gates and park considerately.
- Consider parking further from school and walking the rest of the way.

The Safer Routes to Schools scheme has involved the following:

- local schools, parents and pupils;
- Staffordshire County Council – Staffordshire Highways and the Road Safety and Sustainable Travel Unit;
- County, District and Parish Councillors;
- Staffordshire Ambulance, Fire and Rescue and Police services.

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