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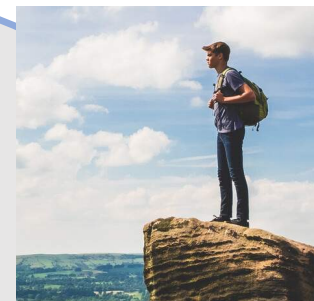
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Walking, wheeling and cycling in South Yorkshire



What is our focus in South Yorkshire?



Our new strategy

Clear aims for walking, wheeling and cycling

Achieved through key objectives

**Deliver high quality
behaviour change
“hardware”
(infrastructure)**

**Safer roads and
streets**

**Innovative behaviour
change “software”
(revenue projects)**

Based on behavioural science

Our (draft!) strategy for schools

Our vision is that every child and parent in South Yorkshire has the choice to walk, wheel or cycle to school

Our mission is to create **safe routes** to schools, **safe streets** around schools and **support and empower** every child and parent in South Yorkshire to feel confident and capable to walk, wheel or cycle to school

An integrated approach to helping schools get active

COM-B model

Are we **Capable**?

- Know the route
- Confident walking or cycling

Have we got the **Opportunity**?

- Roads and streets on way to school, and around school, feel safe and pleasant
- Got the right gear

Are we **Motivated**?

- Feels like the 'normal' thing to do
- Feels easy, attractive and social

If yes, we will change our **Behaviour**

- Walk, wheel or cycle to school



Our current School Streets programme

12 one day School Street events

Considering as part of new strategy

18 one day School Street events

4 permanent School Streets

8 permanent in pipeline



10 permanent School Streets

3 trials

Strong pipeline

Previous trials

Considering as part of several upcoming integrated schemes

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School Streets A clear narrative

Friday 14th March 2024

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Active Travel England is one of – if not the – the most exciting agencies within national

government. Our remit is simple on the face of it. We enable people to have the freedom of choice to walk, wheel or cycle for everyday trips.



“Active travel is the single biggest health intervention that this government is making.”

– Sir Chris Whitty, Chief Medical Officer and Active Travel England Expert Adviser

We want to help transform school runs across the country



And give our children greener travel choices



So we're investing £60M into walk to school programmes and cycle training



Linkedin
ATE video
(2023)

Enabling transport independence



78% OF PARENTS

and carers at Whitehall Primary School agree that their quality of life would improve following a school street being introduced.

Source: Bristol City Council

We do get one or two who aren't necessarily supportive because we've changed the one-way system.

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School streets always supported

Rating descriptions

Rating 0

Local leadership for active travel is not obvious, no significant plans are in place, the authority has delivered only lower complexity schemes.

Rating 1

Some local leadership with basic plans and isolated interventions that do not yet obviously form a plan for a network.

Rating 2

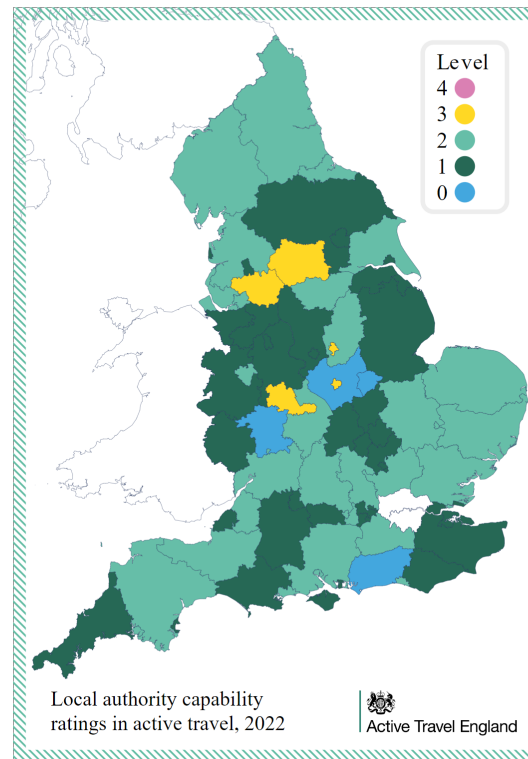
Strong local leadership, with clear plans that form the basis of an emerging network with a few elements already in place.

Rating 3

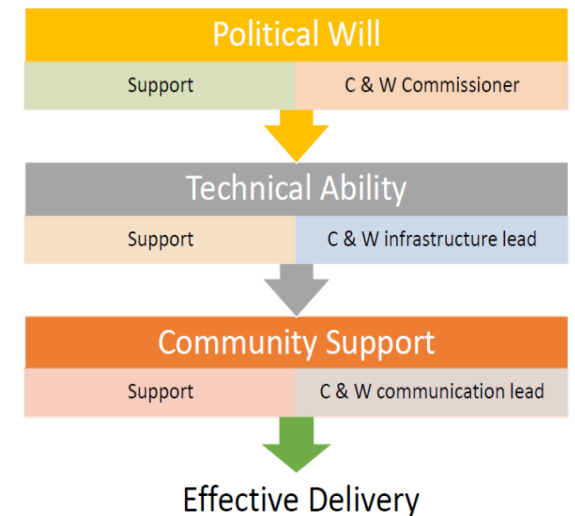
Very strong local leadership, comprehensive plans, and a significant network in place with a growing number of people choosing to walk, wheel and cycle.

Rating 4

Established culture of active travel with successive increases in walking, wheeling and cycling, underpinned by a dense integrated network and highly supportive policies to give more people the choice to walk or cycle.



1. Political will
2. Strategic plan
3. Track record



<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/local-authority-active-travel-capability-ratings/local-authority-active-travel-capability-ratings-accessible-version>

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