

Overview & Scrutiny Recommendation Response Pro forma

Under section 9FE of the Local Government Act 2000, Overview and Scrutiny Committees must require the Cabinet or local authority to respond to a report or recommendations made thereto by an Overview and Scrutiny Committee. Such a response must be provided within two months from the date on which it is requested¹ and, if the report or recommendations in questions were published, the response also must be so.

This template provides a structure which respondents are encouraged to use. However, respondents are welcome to depart from the suggested structure provided the same information is included in a response. The usual way to publish a response is to include it in the agenda of a meeting of the body to which the report or recommendations were addressed.

Issue: **School Streets**

Lead Cabinet Member(s): **Cllr Gareth Epps, Cabinet Member for Transport**

Date response requested:² **19 June 2026**

Response to recommendations:

Recommendation	Accepted, rejected or partially accepted	Proposed action (if different to that recommended) and indicative timescale (unless rejected)
1. That the Council should strengthen early engagement and sign-off arrangements for School Streets proposals, including clearer involvement of county councillors and town and parish councils, drawing on		

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<p>established processes used for other traffic interventions.</p>		
<p>2. That the Council should ensure adequate officer capacity and funding is made available to support expansion of the School Streets programme, including consideration within future budget planning.</p>		
<p>3. That the Council should accelerate engagement with independent schools to reduce traffic impacts associated with school travel.</p>		
<p>4. That the Council should review exemptions and enforcement arrangements for School Streets, within legislative constraints, and considers options to tighten controls where persistent issues arise.</p>		
<p>5. That the Council ensures School Streets principles and wider active travel measures are prioritised within planning, section 106 agreements, and developer-funded infrastructure for new schools and housing developments.</p>		