

## **NSC ACTIVE TRAVEL CONSULTATION – FEB 2023**

This consultation is asking you to read our plans for promoting active travel and then to let us know your views.

In July 2021 we adopted our [Active Travel Strategy](#) (ATS). This agreed our policy approach to active travel. We committed to creating action plans to set out more specific actions for the council and our partners, to help make the aims of the ATS a reality, including a delivery plan for each of our Active Travel Action Plans and their improvement scheme proposals.

In this consultation we are inviting you to give us your comments, suggestions and feedback on any or all of our seven Active Travel Action Plans.

**Please use this [accessible online questionnaire](#) to let us know what you think.** If you do need the questionnaire in another format, contact us by email at [transport.policy@n-somerset.gov.uk](mailto:transport.policy@n-somerset.gov.uk). We want to hear from everybody: residents, businesses, community groups, schools, North Somerset councillors, Town and Parish Councils, and any other stakeholders in North Somerset.

You can let us know what you think as an individual or by giving the official response on behalf of an organisation or business you represent. If you are taking part as an individual, the consultation is anonymous and the information you provide will not be used to identify you. The information that you provide is confidential and will only be used to inform development of the Active Travel Action Plans.

This consultation opens on **Monday 9 January 2023 at 10am** and closes on **Monday 20 February 2023 at 10am**.

Although emails and letters will be considered when we update the Action Plans following consultation, we would really prefer to receive your responses via the questionnaire, so we can review all responses in one place. All materials in this consultation are designed to be accessible.

We want North Somerset to be a place where everyone has access to active travel choices. Active travel refers to the movement of people or goods by using the physical activity of a person for movement. The most popular forms are walking/wheeling and cycling, but also includes running and scooting.

Our Aims:

- Deliver safe and frequent active travel to enable improved public health,
- Tackle the climate emergency,
- Help residents address the cost of living crisis,
- Drive local economic development,
- Create liveable neighbourhoods with our communities and through the planning system.

These Active Travel Action Plans were developed using our new [Place and Movement Framework](#). This has been developed to set out the rationale for use and purpose of our transport network, by categorising every road, street and lane with both a 'place' and 'movement' classification. These classifications will lead to design codes to help shape new and improved active travel infrastructure both for our existing transport network and for all new developments. We are welcoming valuable local knowledge from our communities to help review the [draft street classifications](#) for their area by providing feedback on these to their town or parish council.