

## Appendix F – Annual Report

To the Welsh Ministers,

### Active Travel (Wales) Act 2013 Reporting Duties

In accordance with the duties under sections 7 (3) and 10 (2) of the Active Travel (Wales) Act 2013, please find **Ceredigion County Council's** annual report for the year 2021-22.

<p>The actions taken to promote active travel journeys</p>	<p>The 3<sup>rd</sup> phase of public engagement was undertaken via Commonplace for the Active Travel Network Mapping (ATNM) Review for Ceredigion. With the support of Sustrans this statutory 12 week public consultation was promoted and publicised widely. Final amendments were then made to the ATNM before being presented to the Minister at the end of March 2022.</p> <p>Sustrans Active Journeys officer has delivered a variety of sessions in schools across Ceredigion as COVID19 restrictions eased. These included bike / scooter skills, Dr Bikes (bike mechanics and Active Journeys officer checking and fixing bikes/scooters of the whole school – pupils and staff), Safer Routes in Communities style sessions to identify perceived barriers to active travel and find solutions, puncture repair and bike maintenance sessions with years 4/5/6, collaboration with Emove (Sustrans' Welsh Government funded Ebike / Ecargo bike scheme) to support school community overall, continued virtual support, promotion and facilitation of whole school/national events and competitions e.g. 'Bike to School' week, 'Stroliwch a Roliwch' / 'Big Walk and Wheel' and other initiatives, supplied scooters to schools for 'scooter of the week' / pool scooters.</p> <p>Ceredigion County Council (CCC) Road Safety Team delivered National Standards Cycle training levels 1 &amp; 2 to 341 primary school pupils.</p> <p>National Standards Level 3 Cycle training has also been delivered to 10 Adults.</p> <p>CCC worked with Sustrans to revise and update the Active Travel Map for Aberystwyth, which has been uploaded to the CCC Active Travel webpage.</p> <p>The 'Cycle to Work' scheme was offered to CCC employees with 2 application windows during the year.</p>
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The actions taken to secure new active travel routes and related facilities and improvements

## **Cardigan Town Package**

### **Maes yr Haf**

Footway widening was enabled by the introduction of a new One Way Traffic System and new on-street parking restrictions, both requiring prior statutory public consultations. CCC also secured the purchase of a strip of land from a local Housing Association, and these developments were undertaken in the previous financial year to allow this scheme to progress to construction early in 2020-21.

### **Gwbert Road**

Extension of 20 mph zone supported by new traffic calming measures. Footway widening to shared use standard linking into existing provision at Rhodfa'r Felin, enabled by the introduction of new on-street parking restrictions. These changes required prior statutory public consultations.

Improved active travel connectivity to the new Integrated Health Centre and onward to Lower Mwldan and Town Centre.

To the west of Rhodfa'r Felin roundabout, the footway was widened at a couple of pinch points, enabled by securing dedications from private landowners. CCC is undertaking ongoing work in this area to relocate utility poles from the footway in conjunction with the relevant utility companies.

### **Lampeter University Path Upgrade**

Partnership working with University of Wales Trinity Saint David enabled the Public Right of Way path, which was often wet and muddy, to be upgraded to a new 2 metre wide tarmac surface path providing improved all year-round access for pedestrians, and particularly for mobility users and young families with pushchairs.

New sets of dropped kerbs and tactile paving crossing provision installed in the Town Centre to improve accessibility, particularly for mobility user and visually impaired groups.

## **Aberystwyth Town Footway Improvements**

### **Waunfawr**

An in-year grant funding bid was secured to increase the scope of works at Waunfawr, where extensive footway improvements were undertaken on this popular route for pedestrians travelling between Campus sites and the large Secondary School. Engagement with Penglais School also

	<p>resulted in road safety improvements at the main school entrance, with new traffic calming measures installed.</p> <p><b>Llwyn yr Eos</b> The shared use path leading from the underpass was widened on the approach to Llwyn yr Eos Primary School entrance. The footways on both sides of the school entrance were also resurfaced to improve active travel access to the school.</p> <p><b>Ystwyth trail Barrier Removal</b> 2 sets of barrier gates were removed from the Ystwyth Trail (NCN 81) to improve accessibility between Rhydyfelin and Aberystwyth, with new signage, road markings and removable bollards installed.</p>
<p>Costs incurred for new active travel routes and facilities and improvements of existing active travel routes and related facilities carried out in the preceding full financial year</p>	<p><b><u>Active Travel Fund</u></b></p> <p><b>Core Allocation Grant</b> (Includes minor works scheme construction costs. Also includes Future Route scheme development costs i.e. schemes not yet constructed). £267,992.48</p> <p><b>Cardigan Town Package</b> £189,270.41*</p> <p>*This includes match funding contribution from CCC.</p> <p><b>Lampeter University Path Upgrade</b> £73,324.09</p> <p><b>Aberystwyth Town Footway Improvements</b> £307,420.56</p>

In addition to the above, the following information provides an overview of infrastructure that has been implemented during the previous year.:

<p>Indicative spending for new active travel routes and facilities and improvements of existing active travel routes and related facilities funded or part funded by third parties.</p>	<p>n/a</p>
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<p>Length of new routes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Walking</li> <li>- Cycling</li> <li>- Shared Use</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 366 metres</li> <li>- n/a</li> <li>- 138 metres</li> </ul>
<p>Length of improved routes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Walking</li> <li>- Cycling</li> <li>- Shared Use</li> <li>-</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 1,678 metres</li> <li>- n/a</li> <li>- 30 metres</li> </ul>
<p>New and improved active travel facilities</p>	<p><b>Maes yr Haf, Cardigan</b>  2 No. new sets of dropped kerb and tactile paving crossings installed.  8 No. bollards installed for improved pedestrian safety to prevent footway parking.</p> <p><b>Gwbert Road, Cardigan</b>  Extension of the 20 mph zone by 450 metres.  3 No. Raised Table crossings.  2 No. speed humps.  4 No. new sets of dropped kerb and tactile paving crossings.  6 No. new trees planted.</p> <p><b>Lampeter University Path</b>  4 No. new swales installed between the path and the river.  12 No. new trees planted on Campus.  3 No. pedestrian crossing upgrades on Campus.  5 No. new sets of dropped kerb and tactile paving crossings installed in the Town Centre.  1 No. new Public Bike Repair Station with Tyre Pump installed in the Town Centre (near the 3-18 school and the Leisure Centre on NCN Route 81).</p> <p><b>Waunfawr Footway Scheme</b>  1 No. new cycle shelter with 4 hoop toast rack installed at Penglais School.  8 No. new sets of dropped kerb tactile paving crossings.  2 No. speed humps.  1 No. Raised table crossing.  1 No. new seating bench installed near bus stop.  New kassel kerbs installed at bus stop.  5 No. new trees planted.</p> <p><b>Llwyn yr Eos Primary School, Penparcau</b>  Shared use path widened and footways resurfaced outside the school entrance.</p>


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Additional information (optional)

Programme of 7 no. new cycle and pedestrian counters installed for monitoring purposes.

I confirm that this report will be published online and made available in hard copy on request, in accordance with the statutory Active Travel Act Guidance (2021 edition).

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