

SCHOOL STREETS

FORMAL (STATUTORY) CONSULTATION – PROPOSED PERMANENT SCHOOL STREET

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Christ Church C of E Primary School and Robert Owens Early Years Centre.

Following the trial of the School Street outside St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, the Royal Borough of Greenwich is proposing to make the existing School Street permanent and extend the scheme to also serve Christ Church C of E Primary School and Robert Owens Early Years Centre. As part of this process, we are undertaking a statutory consultation to provide residents, parents, carers, staff and local businesses with an opportunity to share their views on this proposal.

What is a School Street?

A School Street temporarily restricts motor vehicle access outside a school during drop-off and pick-up times, Monday to Friday during the school term. This creates a safer, healthier and more pleasant environment for children and families travelling to and from school.

How School Streets help



Encourage sustainable travel



Reduce traffic at peak times

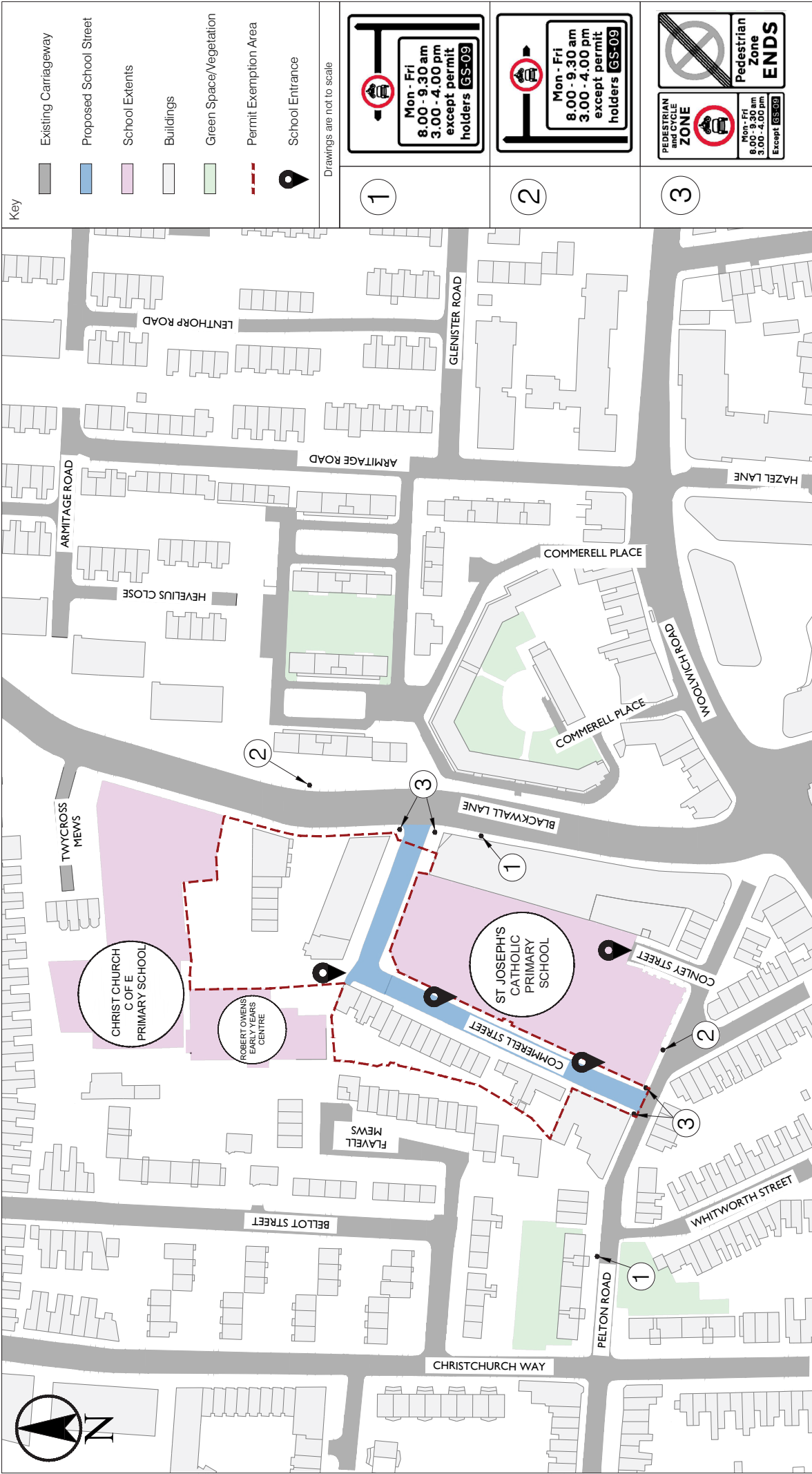


Reduce road traffic collisions



Encourage exercise





Roads closed as part of the proposed School Street are shown in blue.
These roads include:

- Commerell Street

Proposed timings for these restrictions are:

- Morning 8am - 9:30am
- Afternoon 3pm - 4pm

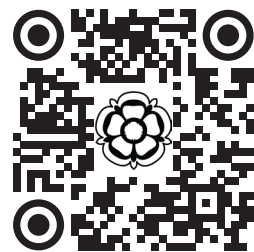
Statutory Consultation

This is a statutory consultation on the proposal to make the School Street permanent. All comments, objections and representations submitted during the consultation period will be considered before a decision is made.

For further information, please scan the QR code or visit the consultation webpage:

royalgreenwich.gov.uk/find-out-about-school-streets

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How to submit your views

Any objections or other representations relating to this statutory consultation to make this School Street permanent must be submitted in writing, stating the grounds on which they are objecting and quoting the relevant Traffic Management Order (TMO) and name of school in text.

TMO Reference: T8(26)



Email: **schoolstreets@royalgreenwich.gov.uk**



Write to: **School Streets Team
The Woolwich Centre
35 Wellington Street
London
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Please respond by: 19/08/2026

Frequently Asked Questions

What is a School Street?

A School Street is closed to motor vehicles at school drop-off and pick-up times, encouraging families to walk, cycle or scoot to school. They're not new - there are already 500 across London and 11 in the borough and they make the roads around the school safer for children.

Who will be exempt from School Streets restrictions?

People walking, scooting, using wheelchairs, mobility scooters and cycles (including adapted cycles) can still pass freely through School Street zones. Residents living within the School Street zone can apply for a free exemption. Blue Badge holders living outside the zone are not automatically exempt, but if your child has a disability, you can apply for an exemption through the Council and the school. Schools will be able to apply for exemptions for members of staff (teachers and support staff) and emergency service vehicles will also be exempt.

How are School Streets enforced?

Existing School Streets are currently opened and closed manually. We are proposing to improve enforcement by using Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) cameras, which automatically identify vehicles entering the School Street during the restricted times. This means there are no access issues for emergency vehicles. Vehicles without a valid exemption may receive a penalty charge notice (PCN).

What is a Penalty Charge Notice (PCN)?

A Penalty Charge Notice (PCN) is an official notice issued by the Council confirming that a penalty charge is payable. PCNs are issued to vehicles that enter a restricted zone, such as a School Street, without a valid exemption during operational hours.

Can I drive if I am already parked inside a School Street?

Any vehicle already parked in the street before the times of School Street operation will be able to leave without incurring a penalty charge notice (PCN) when the zone is in operation.

What's the difference between temporary and permanent School Streets?

Permanent School Street: A long-term vehicle restriction around a school during pick-up and drop-off times. It involves permanent signs and requires more planning and approval.

Temporary School Street: A short-term vehicle restriction, often implemented as a trial to test the concept. It uses temporary signs and barriers, and the closure is usually reviewed after a few weeks or months.