

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 **Vale of Glamorgan's** annual report for the year **2024-25**.

1. The actions taken to promote active travel journeys

Pedestrian improvements were made in various locations in the Vale including dropped kerbs, tactile paving and footway widening.

Officers continued to work with Sustrans and schools to write their School Active Travel Plans to increase the number of pupils walking, cycling and scooting to school each day, reducing congestion and improving safety at the school gates.

The Council continues to be involved with the Vale Healthy Staff Charter Group, working with their partners on the Public Services Board.

The Council regularly updates it's Active Travel (AT) webpage and continues to promote through social media channels:

<https://www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk/en/living/transportation/Active-Travel-and-Safe-Routes-in-Communities-Projects.aspx>

The Council regularly publish short AT clips on social media to convey AT messages and ask for public suggestions and comments. The full clip is on the VOG webpage - [Active Travel \(valeofglamorgan.gov.uk\)](https://www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk/en/living/transportation/Active-Travel-and-Safe-Routes-in-Communities-Projects.aspx)

The Council attends regular meetings with other Local Authorities, Welsh Government, Sustrans and Public Health Wales to share good practice and knowledge. We have regular 6 weekly meetings with our Welsh Government/TfW representatives to discuss current and future projects.

Scooter and cycle storage provided at a further 4 schools across the Vale.



All Saint's Church in Wales Primary School

Cycle storage installed at locations throughout the Vale requested through various sources, such as members of the public.

National Standard Cycle Training level 1 and 2 training delivered to more than 612 pupils with a total of 575 students attaining level 1 and 440 level 2. These were delivered to Y6 students during term time throughout the academic year and also through an additional NSCT course during the school summer holiday period at the end of July in Rhoose.

With the help of volunteers and our CPT officer, during 2024/25, a total of 167 pupils in five schools completed Kerbcraft and 795 students in twenty schools received the more popular Child Pedestrian Training.



7 schools continued their [Living Street Walk once a Week](#) (WOW) challenge to encourage active travel to school from a young age.

2. The actions taken to secure new active travel routes and related facilities and improvements

All new development schemes within the Vale of Glamorgan are expected to deliver Active Travel infrastructure and officers make comments on all travel plans that are conditioned through the Planning Process to ensure compliance.

All developments are expected to provide Active Travel infrastructure through either S278/S38 highway works and/or S106 funding.

Active Travel Core Allocation Fund, Safe Routes in Communities Funding and S106 Sustainable Transport Funding is used for improving AT routes (new infrastructure, dropped kerbs, tactile paving, crossing points) and providing bike storage and repair stations in schools and in the County.

Shared Prosperity Bids awarded for the installation of three Brompton Bike Lockers at train stations across the Vale, as well to make pedestrian improvements on routes leading to Barry town centre.



Brompton Bike Locker at Barry Dock Interchange

Placemaking Plans developed for Penarth, Barry, Llantwit Major and Cowbridge. These will be used as the basis for future scheme development and implementation.

3. 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

FY24/25 £702,883 Welsh Government Active Travel Core grant used for:

- Continuation of scheme design active travel route between Barry and Dinas Powys
- Detailed design of Phase 1 of an active travel route between Waycock Cross and Airport
- Route options and feasibility of AT route between Dinas Powys and Cardiff
- Provision of cycle/scooter storage and shelters in schools
- Provision of town centre/village cycle parking
- Installation of dropped kerbs, tactile paving and route enhancements.
- Implement cycle routes on quiet streets
- Provision of bikes for Sully Primary School

FY24/25 £1,060,690 Active Travel funding for pedestrian improvements in the East of Barry to assist with pupil movements to schools and access to public transport.

FY24/25 £142,005 Completion of scheme design of active travel route from Sully to Cosmeston and options/feasibility of AT route from Sully to Barry.

FY24/25 £140,676 Safe Routes in Communities Fund Albert Road zebra crossing. Funding to install a zebra crossing to assist with pupil movements to Albert Primary and to Belle Vue Park, Penarth.

FY24/25 £396,992 Safe Routes in Communities Fund Sully Primary School. Funding received to construct a safe footway/cycleway in front of the school where pupils were currently using the carriageway. This included the installation of rain gardens and benches.



Sully Primary School raingardens

FY24/25 S106 Sustainable Transport funding - £151,850 to improve pedestrian routes to Sully Primary school – including junction narrowing and removing radii kerbs.

FY24/25 – S106 Sustainable Transport funding - £130,000 construction of shared use footway/cycleway - Phase 3 Waycock Cross to Airport AT route.

FY24/25 S106 Sustainable Transport funding - £4,609 uncontrolled crossing on St Pauls Avenue, Barry to bring up to pedestrian standard.

FY24/25 S106 Sustainable Transport funding – £34,151 construct missing footpath in front of Y Bont Faen Primary and to install triple cycle shelter.

FY24/25 S106 Sustainable Transport funding - £14,185 installation of 2 tier green roof cycle shelter at The Engine Room, Business Centre, Barry.

FY24/25 S106 Sustainable Transport funding - £6,527 provision and installation of 3 benches in Colwinston.

FY24/25 S106 Sustainable Transport funding – £288,562 provision of new toucan crossing facility on Ffordd y Mileniwm, Barry waterfront.

FY24/25 S106 sustainable Transport funding - £95,224 installation of 62 wayfinding sign posts in Barry as part of Making Waves project

FY24/25 S106 Sustainable Transport funding - £51,142 installation of uncontrolled crossings on Clive Road, Barry.

FY24/25 S106 Sustainable Transport funding - £15,342 Ramsey Road/Skomer Road pedestrian improvements.

FY24/25 Shared Prosperity Funding - £192,428 3 Brompton Bike Docks installed at Barry Dock Interchange, Barry Train Station and Penarth Train Station.

FY24/25 Shared Prosperity Funding - £95,760 Subway Road lighting scheme to improve pedestrian route to waterfront development.

FY24/25 Shared Prosperity Funding - £185,763 to improve pedestrian routes to Barry Town Centre.

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

4. 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.

FY25/26 £645,000 (WG Core Active Travel)

- Complete design of AT route - Barry to Dinas Powys
- Complete design of AT route – Sully to Cosmeston
- Design of AT route Waycock Cross to Cardiff Airport
- Cycle storage in towns, villages and schools
- Active Travel Network Map improvements (dropped kerbs and tactiles)
- ATNM 2026 audit and preparation
- Active Travel Promotion in schools
- Bike fleet for 5 schools

FY25/26 Active Travel fund – £331,000 East of Barry Active Travel. Installation of toucan crossing and improve pedestrian routes on Coldbrook Road East.

FY25/26 Safe Routes in Communities Fund – £242,716 School Streets. To apply for powers to enforce Moving Traffic Offences and implement further timed school street closures.

S106 Sustainable Transport funding available in Sully, Cowbridge, Llantwit Major, St Nicholas, and Barry to enable active travel improvements.

FY25/26 - Shared Prosperity Bid awarded for 1 x Brompton Bike Dock at Cogan train station.

FY25/26 – Shared Prosperity Bid awarded for improving pedestrian routes leading to Penarth Town Centre.

5. Length of new routes for walking, cycling and shared use.

- *[provide separate lengths (in metres) of new (a) walking, (b) cycling and (c) shared-use routes]*

170 metres VALE-SULLY-031B – shared use cycleway/footway in front of Sully Primary School.

145 metres HOLIDAY INN – shared use cycleway/footway in front of the Holiday Inn, Rhoose to connect to existing shared use path to Rhoose.

20 metres – VALE-PEN-022D (pedestrian) – Cawnpore Street – construction of missing section of footway leading to Leisure Centre and Cogan Primary School and Nursery.

107m – new 2m wide footway fronting housing site Gileston Road, St Athan.

6. Length of improved routes for walking, cycling and shared use.

- *Provide separate lengths (in metres) of improved (a) walking, (b) cycling and (c) shared-use routes]*

700 metres – VALE-SULLY-031C Smithies Avenue & Clevedon Avenue - junction narrowing, uncontrolled crossings and removal of radii kerbs.

650 metres – VALE-SPR-015A (pedestrian) Pencoedtre Lane – uncontrolled crossings.

910 metres – VALE-SPR-012D (pedestrian) – Coldbrook Road East – uncontrolled crossings and junction narrowings.

600 metres – VALE-BARRY-033C (pedestrian) Dobbins Road - uncontrolled crossings, junction narrowings and bus stop upgrades.

1300 metres – VALE-BARRY-033D (pedestrian) – Langlands Road – uncontrolled crossings, junction narrowings and bus stop upgrades.

100 metres – VALE-BARRY-033E (pedestrian) – Ewbank Close - uncontrolled crossings and removal of radii kerbs.

420 metres – VALE-BARRY-033F (pedestrian) Arno Road and Norwood Cres - uncontrolled crossings and removal of radii kerbs.

580 metres – VALE-BARRY-034B (pedestrian) – Beidr Iorwig and Glas y Llwyn - uncontrolled crossings and junction narrowings.

360 metres – VALE-BARRY-034A (pedestrian) – Gilbert Lane – uncontrolled crossings.

770 metres – VALE-BARRY-035A (pedestrian) – Skomer Road – construction of missing section of footway, uncontrolled crossings and junction narrowings.

660 metres – VALE-SPR-013B (pedestrian) – Gladstone Road – uncontrolled crossing points

8085 metres – DYFAN, SKOMER (cycling) – on road cycle provision.

790 metres - Clive Road – uncontrolled crossings.

290 metres – VALE-BARRY-038D (pedestrian) – Hilda Street – uncontrolled crossing point.

445 metres – VALE-BARRY-037B (pedestrian) – Holton Road – uncontrolled crossing points.

700 metres – VALE-SPR-014B (pedestrian) – Tynewydd Road – uncontrolled crossing points.

7. New and improved active travel facilities.

175 additional cycle/scooter storage spaces were provided across the Vale in FY24/25:

- Scooter and cycle storage provided at a further 4 schools across the Vale.
- Cycle storage provided at locations in the Vale – Romilly Park, Barry; Station Road Recreation Centre, Wenvoe; Maslin Park, Barry; Watchtower Bay, Barry; BSC2 Hood Road, Barry.

45 additional seating spaces have been added across the Vale of Glamorgan. This includes:

- 3 benches through St Nicholas
- 7 benches outside Sully Primary School
- 3 benches in Colwinston and
- 2 benches on Skomer Road, Barry.

Signage has been installed on the Port Road cycleway/footway from Culverhouse Cross to Barry. This assists with providing distance information to key trip attractors.



Solar lights installed on previously unlit sports fields, VALE-BARRY-04E, to assist with cycle/pedestrian movements.



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Chief Executive Signature: 

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