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 2020-21.

# The actions taken to promote active travel journeys

2 Phases of public engagement were undertaken via Common Place for the Active Travel Network Mapping (ATNM) Review in Ceredigion. With the support of Sustrans this was promoted and publicised widely and over 1,000 responses were received with 778 comments.

The Authority continues to host the Sustrans Schools Officer for West Wales with office and administrative support provision for the post holder.

The Sustrans Schools Officer has continued to deliver the Sustrans Active Travel Promotion programme to 19 Primary Schools in Ceredigion. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, the schools were supported remotely.

Sustrans also contacted a number of primary and secondary schools as part of the ATNM consultation. These schools were within the active travel designated localities of Aberystwyth, Cardigan, Lampeter and the immediately surrounding areas.

CCC Road Safety Team activities in schools i.e. Kerbcraft and National Standards Cycle Training, were suspended during this period due to Covid-19 restrictions. The actions taken to secure new active travel routes and related facilities and improvements

#### **IBERS to Penrhyncoch (Active Travel Fund)**

Following delays to construction caused by Covid-19 restrictions this scheme was carried over from FY2019-20 to the following financial year (FY2020-21) and work was completed on this new shared use path in the Autumn of 2020.

# Pont yr Odyn Cyclebridge Refurbishment (Active Travel Fund)

Refurbishment work undertaken to replace the deck with a more robust non-slip surface to improve safety and accessibility for all active travel users and encourage its use. This bridge is a popular route which links the Rheidol Cycle Trail with the Ystwyth Trail and also forms part of NCN Routes 81 and 82.

### **Core Allocation Grant (Active Travel Fund)**

Minor works schemes included:

#### Lampeter Minor Works Package

Maes y Felin – New dropped kerbs and tactile paving crossings installed to improve pedestrian and mobility user access. New traffic calming installed to help improve road safety within the Estate (with children's play area and leisure facilities nearby). Several of these features are Raised Table Crossings which also improve pedestrian and mobility user accessibility.

Llanfair Clydogau Road – New dropped kerb and tactile paving crossing installed along with new bollards for improved pedestrian safety and access. This improved connectivity to the new footbridge and footway linking to the new Tai Ceredigion housing development.

• Bath House Road, Mwldan, Cardigan New One Way system implemented in order to accommodate new footway provision where none previously existed.

New cycle shelter installed in this town centre location.

The Core Allocation Grant has also funded continued scheme development work on proposed Future Routes and land purchase negotiations with key stakeholders.

# Local Sustainable Transport Fund – Covid Response Grant

As part of proposals to support 'key workers' during the Covid pandemic, new cycle shelters were installed to encourage active travel journeys for staff at Bronglais Hospital (x3) and Aberystwyth Police Station (x1)

# Llanbadarn to Penweddig School Shared Use Path (Safe Routes in Communities Grant)

Phase 1 – footway adjacent to TRA44 widened to shared use path provision, for cyclists and pedestrians.

Phase 2 – new shared use path constructed creating traffic-free path link from Llanbadarn to Aberystwyth Town Centre, via Penweddig School and Plascrug Avenue and thereby also connecting with Plascrug Leisure Centre, Ysgol Gynradd Gymraeg and Plascrug Primary School (and also improving the connection to nearby St Padarns School).

A new cycle shelter was installed at the school as an enhancement to replace previous uncovered cycle hoops.

#### **Rhiwgoch Footway Phase 2 Scheme (SRIC)**

Following delays to construction due to Covid-19, this scheme was carried over from FY2019-20 to the following financial year (FY2020-21) and completed in Autumn 2020.

Scheme included new footway lighting and traffic calming measures to help create a safer road safety environment:

2 no. speed humps

2 no. Raised Table Crossings.

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

#### **Active Travel Fund**

# IBERS to Penrhyncoch Shared Use Path (Phase 2)

£359,634

# **Pont yr Odyn Cyclebridge Refurbishment** £341,968

#### **Core Allocation Grant**

(Includes minor works scheme construction costs. Also includes Future Route scheme development costs i.e. schemes not yet constructed). £215,384

### <u>Local Sustainable Transport Fund – Covid</u> <u>Response Grant</u>

Cycle shelter installations £41,262

### **Safe Routes in Communities**

Llanbadarn to Penweddig School Shared Use Path\* (\*\*)

£355,164

**Rhiwgoch Phase 2 Footway Scheme** £80,473

\*includes match funding from Ceredigion County Council and (\*\*) also from third parties detailed below.

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

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.	Safe Routes in Communities  • Llanbadarn to Penweddig School** £1,000 match funding provided by Aberystwyth Town Council.
Length of new routes:  - Walking - Cycling - Shared Use	<ul> <li>73 metres</li> <li>n/a</li> <li>1,895 metres (includes Trunk Road)</li> </ul>
Length of improved routes:  - Walking - Cycling - Shared Use	<ul> <li>240 metres</li> <li>n/a</li> <li>605 metres (includes Trunk Road)</li> </ul>

New and improved active	3 No. Cycle Shelters installed for staff use at
travel facilities	Bronglais Hospital, Aberystwyth.
	1 No. Cycle Shelter installed for staff use at
	Aberystwyth Police Station.
	1 No. Cycle Shelter installed at Penweddig
	Secondary School.
	5 No. Cycle Hoops installed in Aberystwyth Town
	Centre.
	1 No. Cycle Shelter installed near Mwldan Theatre
	and Cinema in Cardigan Town Centre.
	1 No. Public Bike Repair Station with Tyre Pump
	installed in Cardigan Town Centre.
	3 No. Raised Table Crossings installed in Maes y
	Felin Estate, Lampeter.
	1 No. speed hump installed in Maes y Felin Estate,
	Lampeter.

Additional information (optional)
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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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