

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 2024-25.

The actions taken to promote active travel journeys	Ceredigion County Council (CCC) Road Safety Team delivered National Standards Cycle training levels 1 & 2 to 464 primary school pupils. National Standards Level 3 Cycle training has also been delivered to 23 participants (adults and children). Kerbcraft training provided to 383 primary school pupils. Sustrans Active Journeys (SAJ) Officer has continued working with schools in Ceredigion as part of the Sustrans Active Journeys programme (Sustrans has recently changed their name to become the 'Walk Wheel Cycle Trust'). SAJ Officer has created Active Travel School Plans with: - Llanfarian Primary School - Myfenydd Primary School (Llanrhystud) - Aberaeron Primary School - Aberporth Primary School Ysgol Penrhyncoch have been a success story this year. All classes have been completing a daily travel survey using the 'Tali Teithio' journey tracker and (when weather conditions allow) numbers of pupils travelling actively are up around 50%, which is a large increase for this school community. Ysgol Penllwyn managed an increase in active travel during 'Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel' at the end of the year, achieving an average of 30% across the competition, which is a big leap for this school considering the route is along on a busy Trunk Road with no controlled crossings. Ysgol Aberporth have been so successful increasing numbers cycling to school that they have identified a need for more cycle storage. SAJ Officer has delivered multiple 'learn to ride' sessions at Ysgol Llwyn yr Eos, aiming to get all Year 5 children riding a bike to some level, to enable them to all fully access their National Standards Cycle training through CCC Road Safety Team next Spring.
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Ysgol Llanfarian and Wirfoddol Myfenydd joined the programme for academic year 25-26.

The 'Cycle to Work' scheme was offered to CCC employees with 2 application windows during the year.

Scheme Promotion

Press release issued in May 2024 to promote completion of the Phase 1 section of the 'Waunfawr to IBERS Active Travel Link Scheme'. This section saw a new shared use path installed which linked directly to the front gate at Comins Coch Primary School. The photo below shows pupils from the Primary School giving the new path a big 'thumbs up' which was also featured on CCC Social Media sites:



A new 3D Flyover Video 'Our Vision – Aberystwyth Area Active Travel Route Proposals' was created to show how Future Route proposals are planned to connect with Existing Routes to link the area north of Aberystwyth with the Town Centre. This was added to the CCC Active Travel webpage [Active Travel - Ceredigion County Council](#) and promoted through a press release in the local press and via CCC Social Media sites.

Press release issue in March 2025 to promote construction progress on various FY2024-25 grant funded schemes and also via CCC Social Media sites which included the following images:

Active Travel Schemes

Progress Update

Construction of the new path adjacent to the TRA487



New footway in Rhydyfelin

Rhiwgoch footway under construction



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These scheme progress updates were also added to the CCC Active Travel webpage.

CCC press releases feature quotations from the Cabinet Member for Highways and Environmental Services and Carbon Management which highlight the benefits of active travel for the health and wellbeing of our residents, which provide connectivity to link communities and access to green spaces, whilst contributing to local and national ambitions for carbon reduction and Cleaner Air.

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

All new development schemes within CCC 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.

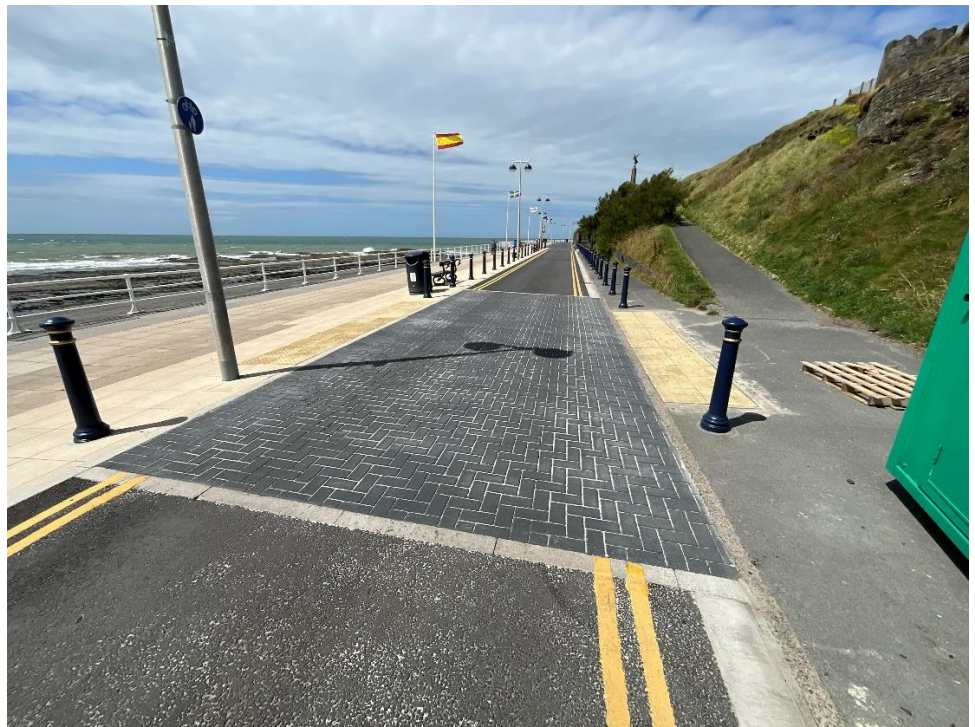
All developments are expected to provide Active Travel infrastructure through either S278/S38 highway works and/or S106 funding.

Completion of land purchase for The National Library of Wales path scheme – enabled construction to proceed in the following FY25-26.

	Continued partnership working with the North and Mid Wales Trunk Road Agent and the Welsh Government to help deliver construction works on the 'Phase 2' section of the 'Waunfawr to IBERS Active Travel Link Scheme' adjacent to the TRA487. Further construction works planned in FY2025-26, with a view to completing this 'Phase 2' section. Highways Services Officers undertake ongoing partnership working with CCC Public Rights of Way Team to develop proposals for the extension of The Ystwyth Trail from Cors Caron into Tregaron.
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	<u>Active Travel Fund (ATF)</u> Core Allocation Grant (Includes minor works scheme construction costs. Also includes Future Route scheme development costs i.e. schemes not yet constructed). £359,763.05 Waunfawr to IBERS Active Travel Link – Phase 3B Scheme Construction £400,572.85 <u>Safe Routes in Communities Grant (SRiC)</u> Rhiwgoch Footway Link to Aberaeron – Phase 3 Scheme Construction £208,417.05

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.	<u>Levelling Up Fund</u> ‘A Revitalised Promenade’ Aberystwyth This project included aims to transform Aberystwyth Promenade into a more accessible, attractive, and sustainable space for residents and visitors alike. £2,153,868.66
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Sustrans Core Grant

Ystwyth Trail (NCN 81) Scheme near Llanilar

This scheme included opportunities to remove gates and barriers as part of emergency works to repair riverbank erosion damage on the Trail and reopen this popular route to the public (photos provided in the Report below).

£46,998.71

Length of new routes:

- Walking
- Cycling

173 metres

n/a

- Shared Use	290 metres
Length of improved routes:	
- Walking	n/a
- Cycling	n/a
- Shared Use	33 metres
New and improved active travel facilities	Waunfawr to IBERS Active Travel Link – Phase 3B (ATF) • 290 metres of new shared use path installed. • 1no. set of new dropped kerb and tactile paving crossing. • New cycle and pedestrian route signage installed.  Rhydyfelin Footway Scheme & Ystwyth Trail Link (ATF Core Minor Works) • 170 metres of new footway installed. • 3no. new sinusoidal speed humps. • 2no. new speed hump warning signs. • 3no. new lighting columns. • 2no. sets of new dropped kerb and tactile paving crossings. • 2no. sets of gates / barriers removed. • 1no. new removable bollard with '956' sign installed. • 1no. set of ladder pedestrian warning paving installed. • 1no. Give Way cyclist road markings.



Ystwyth Trail in Llanfarian (ATF Core Minor Works)

- 33 metres of new tarmac surfacing installed, where surface was previously unbound.
- New signage installed.
- New soakaway installed as a drainage measure to help prevent ponding issue.

Fifth Avenue, Aberystwyth (ATF Core Minor Works)

- Footway link to Penparcau FC and Multi-Use Games Area completed.
- New gulley installed to prevent ponding issues at link to shared use path.

Rhiwgoch Footway Phase 3 (SRiC)

- 182 metres of new footway installed.
- 4no. new lighting columns.
- 1no. set of new dropped kerb and tactile paving crossings.
- 2no. bollards.
- New cycle shelter installed at Aberaeron Primary School.

Ystwyth Trail near Llanilar (Sustrans Core Grant)

- 2no. sets of gates / barriers removed to improve accessibility at a road crossing.
- 2 no. bollards with shared use path signage installed.
- New cycle route signage and road markings installed.
- 2no. sets of ladder pedestrian warning paving installed.
- New tarmac surfacing installed at both approaches to this crossing.



Additional information (optional)

3no. Lorawan pedestrian counters installed as part of active travel monitoring program.

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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