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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 below Flintshire County Council's annual report for 2017-18.

### Actions taken to promote active travel journeys

#### 1.0 Road Safety

1.1 Kerbcraft Training has been delivered to approximately 351 year one pupils across primary schools in Flintshire

1.2 National Standards Cycle Training was delivered to approximately 806 year 6 pupils across Flintshire

#### 2.0 Social Services

2.1 Promotion of Active Travel options through the Social Services Staff Bulletin.

2.2 Promotion of Active Travel options through the 50+ Action Group quarterly newsletter. The Newsletter is shared across Flintshire through GP Surgeries, Libraries, CAB, Care Homes, Leisure Centres, Community Hospitals, Vol Sector, Connect Offices and Extra Care schemes. Over 2500 copies are printed each quarter and there are over 100 recipients on the e-mail circulation list.

2.3 Promotion of Active Travel through Resilient Communities work stream.

#### 3.0 The 2025 movement

3.1 The 2025 group in Flint is looking to bring together the different health programmes and stakeholders in the town to increase physical activity levels and to test out new ways of engaging with those least likely to participate in regular activity.

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#### **4.0 Active Travel Consultation/Engagement**

4.1 Active Travel Journey Workshops held in Ysgol Croes Atti, Flint on 2/2/18 and with Ysgol Gwynedd, Flint on the 12/3/18.

4.2 On 24/4/17 Sustrans held an Active Travel Journey Planning workshop with pupils at Mold Alun School. Officers from Streetscene supported the event by producing questionnaires and working with groups of pupils at the workshop.

4.3 Officers attended the Flintshire Disability Forum at Mold in April 2017 to consult on the draft proposals for its Integrated network Map and promote the benefits of Active Travel journeys through discussions.

4.4 An informal engagement event was held with the Local Access Forum on 5/5/17 at Wepre Visitor Centre to consult on the draft INM and to promote Active Travel.

4.5 Drop-In Events were held on the 30/5/17 and the 31/5/17 for Local Members and Community and Town Councillors to consult on the draft INM and to promote Active.

4.6 In June 2017 a presentation on Active Travel proposals was delivered to Planning Officers who are currently developing the Local development Plan.

4.7 The INM statutory consultation ran between 3rd July and 24th September 2017 and was made available on the Council's website. The website homepage included a promotion banner across the top of the page advertising the consultation with a link to the consultation page.

4.8 Public Drop-In Events were held throughout Flintshire during the consultation period.

4.9 In January 2018 Flintshire County Council invited all businesses on the Deeside Industrial Park to view and comment on new walking cycling proposals within the Park. Many of the businesses commented that they already have a good proportion of their employees who currently cycle into the Park and welcomed the proposals to make the Park safer for their cyclists and encourage more take up.

#### **5.0 Websites/ Social Media /Publication**

5.1 The approved INM was publicised on Flintshire County Council's internet site together with revised ERM's.

5.2 Flintshire County Council tweeted the consultation event throughout the period.

5.3 A number of press releases were issued throughout the consultation period.

#### **6.0 Cycling Schemes**

6.1 Flintshire County Council continued to operate its Cycle to Work Scheme and Borrow a Bike scheme.

#### **Actions taken to secure new active travel routes and related facilities and improvements**

#### **7.0 Infrastructure secured through the Planning Process**

7.1 Stewart Milne, Upper Bryn Coch – 3 metre wide link footway/cycleway – 60 metres; constructed and available for use..

7.2 Edwards Homes, Allied Bakeries, Saltney – link footpath - 85 metres; planning consent and under construction.

7.3 Edwards Homes, Allied Bakeries, Saltney – 3m wide footway/cycleway across the site frontage - 170 metres; planning consent.

7.4 Flint Medical Centre – link footpath – 55 metres constructed and available for use.

7.5 Bellway, Blue Stone Meadows (Compound site) Broughton – off-site footway (missing link) - 60 metres; planning consent and under construction.

7.6 Aston Mead, Ewloe – link footpath – 100 metres; planning consent and under construction.

7.7 Elan Homes, Kinnerton Lane, Higher Kinnerton – off site footway (missing link) – 180 metres; planning consent and under construction.

7.8 Elan Homes, Kinnerton Lane, Higher Kinnerton – surfacing and lighting of off site footpath (PROW) – 330 metres; planning consent and under construction.

7.9 Edwards Homes, Jubilee Road, Buckley – off-site footpath providing missing link through development – 20 metres; planning consent and under construction.

7.10 Redrow, Chester Road, Penymynydd – footpath links from estate roads leading off-site – 60 metre total between four accesses; planning consent but not yet under construction.

7.11 Maes Gwern, Mold – 3 metre footway/cycleway through site with link to school grounds – 450 metres; planning consent but not yet under construction.

## **8.0 Funding**

8.1 Secured £234K through the 2018/19 Local Transport Fund for the development of routes identified on the integrated network maps submitted to Welsh Government.

8.2 Secured £465K through the 2018/19 Safe Routes in Communities Fund to deliver safety schemes including improved walking and cycling measures at Broughton Hall Primary School and Mountain Lane Primary School, Buckley.

## **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**

### **9.0 Schemes completed 2017/18**

9.1 Widening NCN5 between Croes Atti Roundabout and Rockcliffe. Cost £183K

9.2 Upgrade of NCN568 between Hawarden Bridge to Dee Marsh Triangle, including the provision of street lighting. Cost £85k

9.3 Provision of a signalised junction improvement incorporating a toucan crossing and new shared used cycle facility linking into the existing network and widening of existing footway to a shared use cycle facility. Cost £385K

9.4 Provision of shared use cycling facilities within Zone 3 of Deeside Industrial Park. Cost £850K

9.5 Upgrade and new provision of Footway between Gwernaffield and Mold Town. Cost £120K

9.6 Delivered a Safe Routes in Communities scheme at Ysgol Bryn Coch, Mold which included upgraded zebra crossing, new zebra crossing, new footway provision along Alexandra Road, widening of footpath through park to a 3 metre shared use cycle path and improved walking cycling facility along Cemetery Hill. Cost £235K

9.7 Delivered a Safe Routes in Communities Scheme at Golftyn School, York Road, Connahs Quay which included 20mph speed zone, a raised zebra crossing and footway improvements. Cost £80K

9.8 Delivered a Safe Routes in Communities Scheme at Maes Pennant School in Mostyn which included provision of two raised zebra crossings, provision of new footway and new dropped crossings, provision of guard rail and 20mph speed limit at. Cost £70K

The total cost incurred for completing schemes within Financial Year 2017/18 was £2,008,000.

I confirm that this report will be published, in accordance with the statutory Delivery Guidance on Flintshire County Council's website.

Yours sincerely



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**Chief Executive**