

Kingswood Gate Active Travel Scheme

What is Active Travel?

Active travel can be defined as:

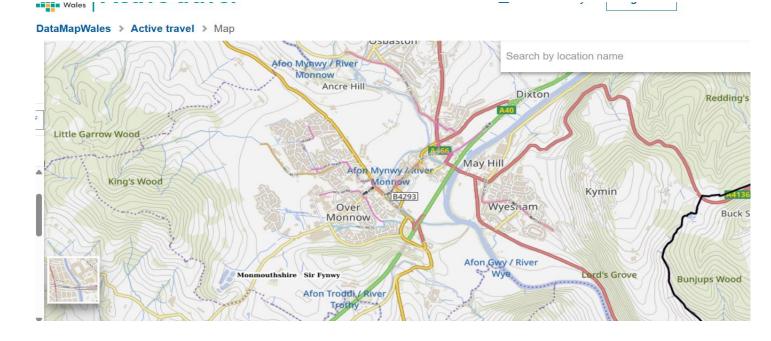
- Everyday purposeful journeys made by walking, cycling or wheeling, such as travel to school or work, rather than purely for leisure.
- The Active Travel (Wales) Act 2013 requires local authorities in Wales to
 continuously improve and plan for active
 travel routes and facilities, ensuring new
 road schemes consider pedestrians and
 cyclists, and promotes active travel
 journeys.
- Focus is on routes up to 3 miles to get to key destinations such as schools, key employment sites and town centres



Active Travel Network Map

- Last updated in 2020
- In the process of being up dated this year





Active Travel Routes in Monmouth



The Kingswood Gate scheme

- Kingswood Gate Housing estate was built by David Wilson Homes in 2015, comprising 300 residential properties
- The estate lies separated from the main town of Monmouth
- Walking and cycling options are limited and either don't follow desire lines or do not meet the needs of the users.





Image of current path being used

The Kingswood Gate scheme



Al image showing what the path could look like when finished

- A 3 metre walking, wheeling and cycling path across the meadow
- Allows safe, direct travel to and from the centre of Monmouth

Design features

- 3 metre wide path for walking, wheeling and cycling
- Permeable surface to allow for improved drainage
- New small bridge at the West end to connect to Kingswood Gate housing estate
 - Low level lighting bollards
 - Seating
 - Wayfinding signage

Challenges of the site

- A Site of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINC) is a locally designated area with high biodiversity value due to its habitats and species, or geological interest, which is recognized and protected within the local planning system even though it lacks statutory legal protection.
- Tree Protection orders (TPO)
- Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDs) natural approach to managing surface water to control flooding
- Habitat Investigations badger sets
- Public Rights of Way across the land deletion of old route and creation of new route

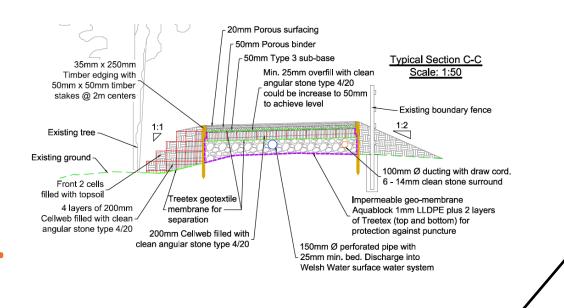


Funding

- Development and design costs
 - Section 106 contributions from the developer
 - Active Travel Fund from Welsh Government (ATF) achieved via a bidding process each year
- Construction costs
 - Safe Routes in the Community Fund (SRiC) achieved via a bidding process and is focussed on connections with local schools

Construction

- Started 14th July 2025 and due to finish in October 2025
- "No Dig" style construction
- Bridge section has been constructed using ground screws to protect nearby tree roots
- Will connect to the new pedestrian crossing at the Wonastow Industrial Estate





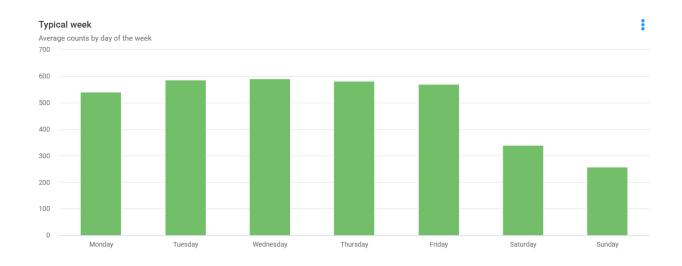


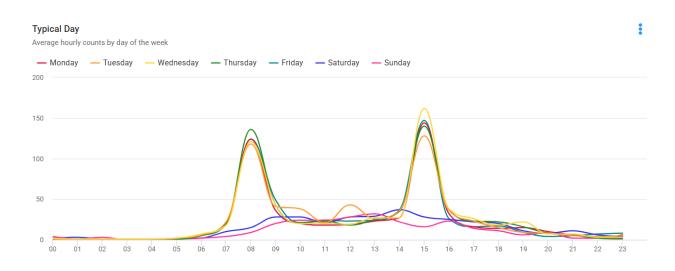


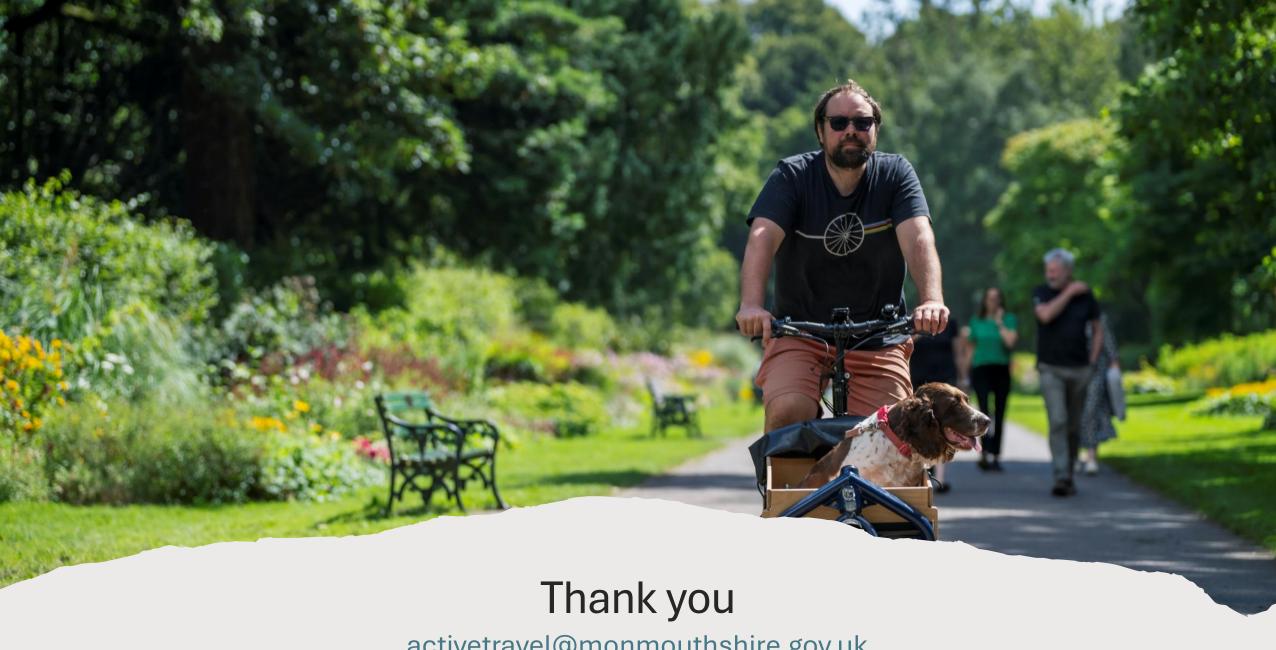
Data collection

- Sensors in the WFL path
- Vivacity Cameras on Wonastow road
- Tag master deployable temporary sensor









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