



Solihull School Streets Project Phase 2

What is it?

Many schools across the Borough experience challenging traffic scenes at the beginning and end of each school day. 'School Streets' is a project led by Solihull Council which seeks to address such issues through the introduction of restrictions that will exclude traffic from entering, leaving or travelling around the streets surrounding schools at key times of the day, the aim being to create a predominantly car free zone. **St Andrew's Catholic Primary School** has been identified as a school that would benefit from being part of this project.

Why are we doing it?

We are aiming to create a safer, more pleasant environment and, through the scheme, will be promoting active travel to school by walking, scooting and cycling. This in turn will reduce congestion and pollution in the area.

The anticipated benefits of the scheme include:

- A reduction in congestion, pollution and traffic speed around the school gates creating a safer environment for all our children.
- An increase in walking, scooting, cycling and active lifestyles for families, within a more pleasant environment.
- Improvements in levels of childhood obesity.

How will it work?

The Council proposes to introduce a Traffic Regulation Order that will prohibit any motor vehicle without a permit or valid exemption (Blue badge holders or emergency services) from entering or driving along **Windrush Close** when the scheme is in operation.

A full list of exemptions can be found on our website here:

www.solihull.gov.uk/schoolstreets

In order to do this we will, from January 2020, undertake a consultation exercise with local residents, parents and the wider community on the proposal with the intention to be in a position to launch this next phase of the School Streets project to coincide with the start of the spring school term in April 2020.

The proposed scheme will be effective on weekdays only between **8:30 – 9:10am** and again between **2:45 – 3:45pm** and will be indicated by gateway signage which will be put in place at the entrance of the restricted zone.

The scheme will also introduce a new 20mph speed limit and any existing parking restrictions (single and double yellow lines) will remain in place and enforceable as before.

How will it be enforced?

The Police will have powers to enforce the new School Streets restriction. Anyone caught driving in the restricted zone whilst it is active, without a valid permit or exemption, can be issued with a £50 Fixed Penalty Notice. The Police have been consulted on these proposals and are actively engaged.

Parents

It is proposed that from Monday 20th April, **Windrush Close**, as shown on the enclosed map, will be restricted to traffic in the mornings and at home time. This will create a safer, healthier and more pleasant environment for those who walk, scoot or cycle to school, and will hopefully encourage more parents to leave the car at home.

For those who live further away, we ask that they park away from the school and walk the last five or ten minutes of the journey.

The streets around the school will not be completely traffic free as residents will have permits to drive in the area during the restricted times and there will also be exemptions for emergency and service vehicles as well as blue badge holders.



Live, Love and Learn together as Witnesses for Christ

Residents

Each residence within the streets affected by the restrictions will be issued with two permits. If additional permits are required then please contact schoolstreets@solihull.gov.uk stating your reason for requesting additional permits.

Blue Badge Holders

If you have a blue badge then the restriction does not apply. However a permit will be required if anyone else drives the car at other times. Remember, your badge should be prominent and displayed at all times.

Further information on how the new restrictions may affect you can be found here:

www.solihull.gov.uk/schoolstreets

School Streets

This is keeping children and their environment safe.



'Whoever lives on the road will get a valid permit which means you can go on the road'

pollution will be reduced



STOP CAR'S



SAFE

'This is a project led by the Solihull Council to create a car free zone. They want to do this so it is more safer for the children that are crossing'

Travel to
St Andrew's
Catholic
Primary School

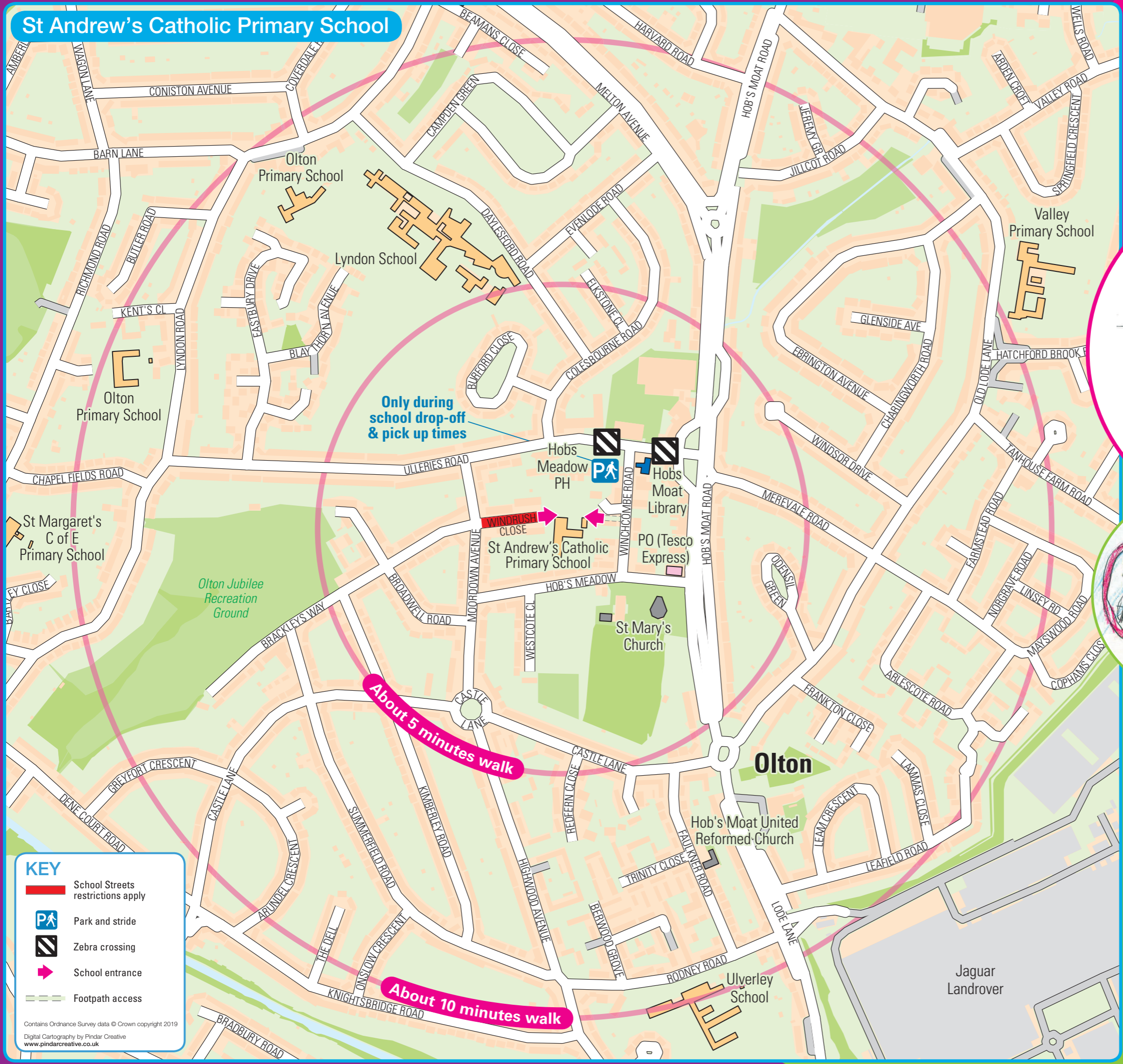
www.solihull.gov.uk/schoolstreets

Modeshift STARS is a national schools award scheme supported by the Department of Transport. Recognising schools demonstrating excellence in sustainable travel, which includes cycling and walking. To find out more about the awards visit www.modeshiftstars.org



St Andrew's Catholic Primary School
Windrush Close,
Solihull B92 8QL

St Andrew's Catholic Primary School



Only during school drop-off & pick up times

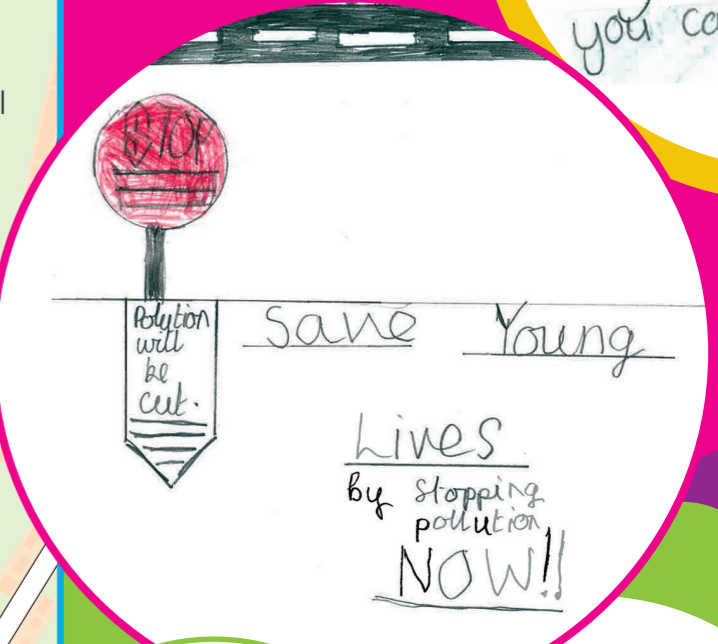
About 5 minutes walk

About 10 minutes walk

- KEY**
- School Streets restrictions apply
 - Park and stride
 - Zebra crossing
 - School entrance
 - Footpath access

Contains Ordnance Survey data © Crown copyright 2019
 Digital Cartography by Pindar Creative
 www.pindarcreative.co.uk

'If you are caught driving on the restricted road you will be fined. If you have a permit you will be ok'



'The scheme will operate during term times only between 8.30am-9.10am and 2.45pm-3.45pm'

