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## **School Streets Acceleration Phase 2 – The Children’s House School**

Dear Residents/Business,

As part of the council’s response to the Covid-19 pandemic, we are accelerating the introduction of School Streets across the borough. Under Phase 2 of the programme, we are working with The Children’s House School to close King Henry’s Walk (between Mildmay Grove North and Queen Margaret’s Grove) and St Jude Street to through traffic during school drop-off and pick-up times, term time only.

Closing the street to through traffic at these times helps to improve air quality, encourage social distancing, and creates a safer environment for children by reducing road danger. School Streets are part of the council’s vision for a greener, cleaner, healthier Islington that can achieve net zero carbon status by 2030. They also form a vital part of the council’s ongoing efforts to create people-friendly streets which encourage active travel by making it easier for children and parents to walk and cycle during the school run.

The School Street will be installed under an 18-month experimental traffic order with the council closely monitoring the street to assess the impact on the local area. After 12 months, you will be invited to have your say alongside the school, parents and neighbours on whether the School Street should remain in place permanently.

### How the scheme works

From 04 January 2021 vehicles will not be allowed to access King Henry’s Walk (between Mildmay Grove North and Queen Margaret’s Grove) from Monday to Friday between the times of 8.15-9.00am and 3.00-3.45pm during term time, unless they have been given a School Street permit. Permits for the School Street zone will be provided electronically based on the council’s records of residents and businesses who have existing parking permits within the closure area. Residents who live within the closure area and have an existing parking permit will not need to apply for a School Street permit as they will automatically be provided with one. If your property is only accessible via the School Street zone then you will also qualify for an exemption.



Vehicles already in a paid parking bay before the start of the School Street restrictions will be allowed to remain in the parking bay, or to leave the zone without receiving a fixed penalty notice. Vehicles will not be allowed to enter the street and access the paid parking bays during the restricted times if they are outside the zone when the times become operational.

Residents and businesses with School Street permits should still try to avoid King Henry's Walk and St Jude Street during these times whenever possible. Delivery vehicles will not be exempt, and deliveries must take place outside the hours of operation.

Blue Badge holders should contact the council for an exemption but will only be able to use the road for access and not as a through route during the times of operation. The road will remain open to pedestrians and cyclists during the school streets period of operation.

Signs will inform drivers of the restrictions before the entrances to the School Street zone. Non-registered vehicles entering the street during the times of operation will be identified by camera and issued a penalty charge notice of £130, which is reduced to £65.00 if paid within 14 days.

If you would like to find out more information about the School Streets scheme including how you can apply for an exemption, then please visit our School Streets FAQ page at the below web link: -

[www.islington.gov.uk/SchoolStreetsFAQs](http://www.islington.gov.uk/SchoolStreetsFAQs)

A plan of the School Street scheme for The Children's House School is attached to this document.

Thank you.

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