

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 Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council's annual report for the year 2022-23.

<p>The actions taken to promote active travel journeys</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- We have worked with Active Wheels to promote use of the trails as well as determining the barriers to access, which informs future bids. Extensive Consultation on the removal of barriers along our trail to promote access for all. Engagement with 10 schools to discuss potential of school streets. Social media comms on our platforms to promote our active travel improvements.
<p>The actions taken to secure new active travel routes and related facilities and improvements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Funding received to deliver a new 3m wide bridge across the river Taff, connecting the Taff Trail to the town centre and linking with the improvements made to Avenue de Clichy in year 21/22.- Dropped crossings at Rodericks terrace – onto Taff Trail- Dropped crossings and Zebra crossings along Pant Road- Tree planting on the trails.- Improved controlled crossing to Cyfarthfa Park – Brecon Road- Dropped crossings at Trevor Close.- Improved priority for pedestrians on Toucan on Swansea Road.- Dropped crossings at Gellideg, off Brecon Road

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bike stands, benches and a recycling bin along the Celtic trail - Bollards installed to prevent pavement parking on routes. - Improved lighting to existing route at Afon Taff – improved in 20/21
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - £1,458,000 in year 21/22 - £1,305,000 in year 22/23

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.	- £45,000
Length of new routes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Walking - Cycling - Shared Use 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 21/22 – shared use 490m - 140m walking. - 22/23 56m shared use (inc bridge)
Length of improved routes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Walking - Cycling - Shared Use 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 21/22 – 270 m walking 50m shared use. - 22/23 300m walking routes
New and improved active travel facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bike storage at Afon Taff School - Dropped crossings along Caedraw Road - Cycle lane delineators – 230m

Additional information (optional)

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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).

Chief Executive Signature:



Chief Executive Name:

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Date of submission to Welsh Ministers:

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