

Dear Parent/Carer 16 October 2023

Road Safety around St Aidan's High School

As many of you will be aware, the congestion on the roads around St Aidan's are becoming an increasing problem particularly at peak times of the day when students are being dropped off and picked up from school. As a school and a community, we need to work together to protect everyone, consider the environment, and ensure we always show respect to the local residents. I was so saddened to hear last week of a local resident who was unable to get to an emergency appointment due to cars associated with St Aidan's obstructing their driveway. Please do all you can to encourage your child to walk to and from school, this is a much better option for their physical health and for the environment. If this is not possible, areas around the Yorkshire Show Ground or Hornbeam Business Park a short walk from the school site may be a useful location for parents/carers to drop off and pick up from.

I am also aware that many older students wish to use cars/motorbikes to come to school but for safety reasons they are not permitted to park on the school site. If there is no alternative to your child bringing their own vehicle, then please speak to your child about their responsibility to ensure these are parked in an appropriate and legal manner sensitive to the needs of local residents. For the safety of everyone and for the respect that St Aidan's must show to our neighbours, please ensure the following at all times:

- Cars parked on residential streets do not obstruct driveways or park too close to driveways
- Cars are not parked on the road opposite any driveways
- · Cars are not parked on the pavement
- Cars are parked on the same side of the road as others even if this means being further away from school; using one side of the road for parking allows clearer access for through traffic
- Always treat local residents with courtesy and respect in line with the expectation and Christian ethos of St Aidan's

Students who bring a vehicle to school must register this with the Sixth Form Office.

Thank you for your cooperation in helping to keep all our students safe and in supporting us to maintain an excellent relationship with our neighbours and local community.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher

