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Dear Residents, Cottenham Primary School families and local businesses,

To improve the journeys to and from school around Cottenham Primary School we are looking into the use of a School Street on Lambs Lane. This would create a temporary pedestrian and cyclist zone on the road for a short period at the start and end of the school day. The School Street would potentially operate between the junctions with Pelham Way and Harlestones Road.

A small amount of vehicle traffic, such as residents from inside the restriction, will have exemptions but most motor vehicles will need to find an alternative route or make their journeys at an alternative time.

The school street zone could operate from 8:20am to 8:50am and 2:50pm to 3:30pm on school days. A temporary barrier will be placed in the road by a volunteer marshal to help with the restriction and allow access to any exempted vehicle.

We are pleased to invite you to an information drop-in session regarding our proposed School Streets for Cottenham Primary School. These sessions will provide an opportunity for you to ask questions and share your views. We are interested to hear your ideas around the school street and other potential strategies to improve school journeys such as a zebra crossing or a bike bus.

Date: Tuesday 6 October

Time: 8am to 10am

Location: in front of Cottenham Primary School

Date: Wednesday 14 October

Time: 5pm to 7.30pm

Location: Cottenham Village Hall

Date: Thursday 22 October

Time: 3.30pm to 6pm

Location: Cottenham Primary School, open to school families only due to nature of event



We appreciate the timing may not suit everyone, so additional questions and comments can be sent to School.Streets@cambridgeshire.gov.uk.

Further information about this and other school streets can be found on our website <https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/school-streets>

Following the engagement sessions, we will then consider feedback and look to create an Experimental Traffic Order (ETRO). An ETRO is like a Permanent Traffic Regulation Order - it is a legal document which imposes traffic and parking restrictions. We use ETROs to see if a scheme will work in practice.

An ETRO can stay in force for up to a maximum of 18 months while the effects are monitored and assessed. We welcome feedback throughout the process, however, formal objections to the order must be made in the first six months of it coming into force.

If changes to an ETRO are made, six months are allowed for objection from the date those changes came into operation. A decision on whether the changes introduced as part of the ETRO will be removed or made permanent must be made within 18 months of an order coming into force.

There is opportunity for anyone to feedback comments. The decision to make a scheme permanent will follow our formal decision-making process.

Your input is valuable to us, and we look forward to your participation.

Yours faithfully,

Sarah Swire and Donald O'Shea
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