

**PLANNING AND TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT**  
**ASSESSMENT OF WALKING ROUTE**

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| Route To Be Assessed   | Castlehead High School: Elderslie and Barskiven Hill Areas<br>See separate sheet for detailed assessment. |  |  |
| Map attached   | Yes   |  |  |
| Date Assessment is Required By                                 | 1 March 2010  |  |  |
| Is the Route Adopted by the Council?                           | Yes   |  |  |
| If Part of the route is adopted, please indicate which part(s) |   |  |  |
| Who is Responsible for Maintaining the Route?                  | Renfrewshire Council<br>Department for Planning & Transport   |  |  |
| Is the Entire Route Lit?                                       | Yes   |  |  |
| Does the Route Meet the Criteria?                              | Yes   |  |  |
| Additional Comments  | See detailed assessment   |  |  |

## Detailed assessment for Route for Castlehead High School To Elderslie and Barskiven Hill Areas

### **Introduction**

Elaine Lorimer, Road Safety Officer for the Council, walked the route given by the Council's Education & Leisure Services from Elderslie Area and Barskiven Hill Area for Castlehead High School. This took place on 7 December 2009 between 08.15 and 8.45, 9 December 2009 between 08.15 - 8.45 and 15.00 -16.00, 22 February 2010 between 8.15am - 9.30am and on 23 February 2010 between 3.30pm - 4.30 pm

### **Route**

The routes assessed originate from five locations intersecting on the south footway at the pelican crossing located near the junction of Fulbar Road/Ferguslie.

- From King's Road along the east footway from its junction with Abbey Road, the route turns onto the south footway of Main Road Elderslie. Continue on the south footway Main Road Elderslie and cross via pedestrian phase of the traffic lights at junction of Main Road Elderslie/Glenpatrick Road carry on the south footway Main Road Elderslie. The footway narrows on the south footway of Main Road Elderslie under the rail bridge located near Newton Avenue. Continue along the south footway of Main Road Elderslie to the Fulbar Road. Using the traffic island to cross Fulbar Road to the pelican crossing located beyond the junction of Fulbar Road/Ferguslie.
- From Thorndene the west footway to its junction with Main Road Elderslie the route follows the north footway on Main Road Elderslie to the junction of main Road Elderslie/Glenpatrick Road and crosses via the pedestrian phase of the traffic lights to the south footway of Main Road Elderslie.
- From Glenpatrick Road on the west footway to the junction of Glenpatrick Road /Main Road Elderslie the route crosses to the south footway on Main road Elderslie via the pedestrian phase of the traffic lights. Carry on the south footway Main Road Elderslie.
- From Baronscourt Road to the junction on Baronscourt Road/Linwood Road, the route crosses to the east footway on Linwood Road and continues along the east footway to the roundabout at Ferguslie/Main Road Elderslie onto the north footway of Ferguslie to the pelican crossing just after the junction of Fulbar Road/Ferguslie.
- From Hillman Crescent on the west footway continuing to the junction of Hillman Crescent/Linwood Road crossing to the west footway of Linwood Road. Continue on the west footway to the subway located on Linwood Road use the subway to the east footway on Linwood Road to roundabout at Linwood Road/Barskiven Road and cross at traffic Island on Barskiven Road to east footway on Linwood Road. Continue to the roundabout at Linwood Road/Ferguslie/ Main Road Elderslie onto the north footway of Ferguslie to the pelican crossing just after the junction of Fulbar Road/Ferguslie.

From the pelican crossing located beyond the junction of Fulbar Road/Ferguslie the route is the south footway of Ferguslie to the roundabout at Ferguslie/Station Road crossing at traffic island on Station Road. Continue on the south footway of Ferguslie to the south footway on George Street and cross with the pedestrian phase of the traffic lights at Maxwellton Street/George Street onto the south footway on Canal Street, keep on the south footway of Canal Street turning into the west footway of Camphill to Castlehead High School.

## **Observations**

1. The footway narrows on the south footway of Main Road Elderslie under the National Cycle path bridge located near Newton Avenue allowing room for one pedestrian at a time, care should be taken.
2. On the return journey visibility is restricted east to west on Main Road Elderslie at King's Crescent visibility of vehicles on Main Road Elderslie west bound is restricted due to alignment of pedestrian barrier. Pupils should use the puffin crossing just before King's Crescent to cross to the north footway on Main Road Elderslie and return to the south footway via the pelican crossing located just beyond the junction of Wallace Avenue/Park Avenue/Main Road Elderslie.
3. The crossing point on route map for Baronscourt Road on Linwood Road due to high volume of traffic and did not allow adequate gap time to cross, making this an unsafe location. The alternative route is from Baronscourt Road onto West footway on Linwood Road. Continue to pedestrian subway just before second roundabout on Linwood Road and use subway as a safe crossing point. Turn right onto North footway on Linwood Road to roundabout at Linwood Road/Barskiven Road and cross at traffic Island on Barskiven Road to east footway on Linwood Road.
4. The volume of traffic at the Station Road/Ferguslie roundabout make it very difficult to cross therefore pupils should cross prior to this at the pelican crossing located at West Lane/Ferguslie from South footway of Ferguslie to North footway on Ferguslie.

## **Conclusion**

The original routes identified by Education and Leisure Services, including the observations above, are considered to be safe walking routes.