



Ein cyf/Our ref WQ87441

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Dear Andrew

You recently requested, by written question, what action have I taken to improve the inclusivity of active travel.

We have set up an inclusive active travel group as a sub-group of the Active Travel Board to assist in ensuring those with protected characteristics are engaged in the planning and building of walking and cycling infrastructure, as well as encouraging behaviour change and promoting active travel.

As a result of our Active Travel (Wales) Act 2013, all local authorities have to audit their existing walking routes to ensure that they meet the requirements set out in our Guidance. These include the provision of dropped kerbs throughout, as well as tactile paving and minimum widths.

The Active Travel Fund includes a core allocation available to all local authorities, which they can use to make small scale improvements to bring routes up to standard, such as installing dropped kerbs, tactile paving, benches, crossings, or removing barriers.

Our Guidance sets out very clear expectations that both the network plans and scheme designs are developed with high levels of consultation and engagement, and places particular emphasis on engagement with disabled people.

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We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. Any correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not lead to a delay in responding.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Lee', is positioned on a light grey rectangular background.

Lee Waters AS/MS

Y Dirprwy Weinidog Newid Hinsawdd
Deputy Minister for Climate Change