

I have been in touch with the team handling the Beavers Road School Streets team recently and asked the following:

*Good afternoon Mr. Knox - several comments have been uploaded to the Commonplace School Streets site, please could you advise me when these comments are to be analysed (and actioned if necessary).*

*It would seem to be prudent that these should be actioned (if proved to be of value) well before the 6 months trial period expires, in order to see if they reduce the number passing through the area..*

*They replied as follows*

So far there have been 1309 Warning Notices, and 152 PCN's issued.

The comments we receive during the 6-month experimental period will be compiled at the end of the six months and the results presented to the local county councillor to decide whether to retain, amend or remove the scheme. In the meantime we will be looking at the responses from time to time to see what the feedback consists of. The overwhelming majority of responses so far are very positive. In response to some of the comments so far, including from the local county councillor, we will be seeing what we can do to make the signing easier to see at the Crondall Lane end. Unfortunately we don't have a solution to the problem of informing drivers when it is term time or not. In some other local authority areas we aware they have used folding signs, so that they can be folded away when the school street is not in operation in school holidays (see this example here in London Borough of Richmond: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/ezE7La1i3GhAa3LZA>). However this would require someone to go out and do the folding and unfolding, and we don't have the personnel resources to do this, and would be asking too much of the facilities manager of the school to do this too. These signs could also be more vulnerable to sabotage by disgruntled motorists. It is notable too, that for this example shown in London Borough of Richmond, they don't bother folding them away anymore and they are on permanent display. Yellow flashing lights would not really be viable either and can become a painful maintenance burden if ever they stop working leading to complaints that if they aren't working the School Street should not be enforced.

I will keep you all updated as and when I hear more about this scheme, in the meantime, if you have any comments, you can enter yourselves directly on the SCC Commonplace website - please copy and paste

<https://pottersgateschoolstreet.commonplace.is/>

