

Northfield and Willowbrae Community Council

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Schools Streets, St. Johns RC and Duddingston Primaries.

Concerns have been raised through the Community Council about the increasing number of drivers ignoring the 'School Streets' restrictions around two primary schools in our area.

St. Johns RC Primary

This scheme covers Hamilton Drive, Hamilton Park and Hamilton Terrace.

Duddingston Primary School

This scheme covering Hamilton Gardens, Hamilton Grove and Hamilton Drive West.

More details can be found here:

https://www.streetsaheadedinburgh.org.uk/school-streets-1/school-streets?documentId=33&categoryId=27

While these are two distinct schemes, they are adjacent and related due to the overlapping catchments. For example, there have been concerns over the increasing traffic on Hamilton Terrace and Hamilton Drive from parents walking or wheeling children to Duddingston Primary. Both streets fall under the St. Johns' scheme.

These Schools Streets schemes are still live, with the prohibition signs in operation, but the level of traffic is clearing increasing. Would it be possible to have a targeted campaign of patrols on these streets around school drop-off and pick up times to reinforce the fact that these streets are closed to non-permitted motor traffic at these times?

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