



HOW DOES IT AFFECT MY VISIT TO ROYAL HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN?

The School Street pilot for Sciennes Primary School will be starting on Wednesday 21 October 2015

The following information is provided to help visitors and staff plan their visit so as cause minimal impact and inconvenience

Why are we introducing school streets?

The Council is introducing school streets around a number of primary schools, which have been experiencing ongoing traffic and road safety issues caused by drivers bringing their vehicles too close to the school gate.

How will it operate?

Vehicles will not be able to be driven in, out or around the school streets zone when the scheme is in operation. Large signs have been erected at the entrances to the zone on Sciennes Road and Livingstone Place. They have flashing lights to indicate when the scheme is in operation. Only those drivers with a permit, such as residents and local businesses, and a number of authorised vehicles will be exempt and allowed to enter the zone. It is a pilot scheme which will last for 18 months.

Which streets will be closed?

The affected streets are

- Sciennes Road -from its junction with Sylvan Place eastwards to Tantallon Place.
- Livingstone Place –from Melville Terrace southwards to its junction with Sciennes Road.

The A&E entrance on Sylvan Place and access to buildings off Millerfield Place, Rillbank Terrace and Rillbank Crescent are outside the closure and access will be maintained at all times. Parking attendants will carry out regular visits to ensure that there are no vehicles illegally parked.

What times will it operate?

It will operate during term time only from:

8.35am to 9.00 am and 2.40pm to 3.30 pm on Monday – Thursday

8.35am to 9.00 am and 11.55pm to 12.20 pm on Friday

Who will enforce school streets?

The scheme will be enforced by Police Scotland; the penalty for ignoring the signs will be a fine.

Can I still enter/exit the streets and park in a Pay and Display bay on Sciennes Road?

Yes, the parking bays will still be in use as long as you arrive before the closure periods commence. There are also additional parking bays in streets on the periphery of the scheme – further details can be found at

http://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/info/20085/parking_spaces

However, you cannot leave the parking bay when the closure is in operation; signs in the street will inform you of the operating hours.

Will I receive a fine if my car remains in the bay during the closure?

No, you would only receive a fine if you move your car when the closure is in operation. Additional signage will be installed by the bays and on the ticket machines to inform drivers of the closure times.

Will I receive a parking fine if my ticket runs out during the closure?

No, as long as you drive away within 5 minutes of the street reopening

I travel to the hospital by taxi; will I be able to be dropped off at the front entrance?

Yes, taxis and private hire vehicles will be exempt from the closure so you can be dropped off and picked up from Sciennes Road. Delivery vehicles going to the delivery entrance off Sciennes Road will also be exempt.

I am a disabled user – will I be exempt? Are emergency services allowed in?

Yes, Blue Badge holders and emergency services vehicles are exempt from the restrictions; the Blue Badges must be prominently displayed on the dashboard

I work at the hospital and park in the car park accessed from Sciennes Road, can I get a permit?

Permits will be issued to those health care staff, who are identified by NHS Lothian as requiring access to the Hospital as part of their duties – these workers will include, amongst others, a GP, doctor, registered nurse or other nominated medical persons. You will need to contact RHSC site management if you require a permit. If you do not qualify for a permit under these terms, you will not be able to drive in and out when the scheme is in operation. Additional signage will be installed adjacent to the car park exit to remind drivers of the operating times.

Where can I find out more?

Please go to our website www.edinburgh.gov.uk/schoolstreets or email schoolstreets@edinburgh.gov.uk

Plan of Sciennes school street zone

