

Offaly County Development Plan 2021-2027: Draft Stage Chapter 8 Sustainable Mobility and Accessibility Walking/Cycling SMAP-08 It is Council policy to prioritise the need for people to be physically active in their daily lives; to improve permeability and to promote walking and cycling in the design of streets and public spaces as an alternative and sustainable mode of transport; and to support safer walking and cycling routes to schools under the Green Schools Initiative subject to appropriate environmental assessments, including Habitats Directive Assessment Having regard to this stated policy I ask that consideration be given to introducing a one way vehicular traffic system at Bury Bridge, Tullamore(in an easterly direction from Convent Rd/St Brigid's Place to the Daingean Rd). A significant number of pedestrians traverse this bridge throughout the day and especially at school times when students walk to and from the two second level schools, Tullamore S H S and Riverside College, which are located nearby. I would suggest that if a one way system was introduced here a footpath could be provided making for a safer walking route to school Vehicular traffic from Daingean Rd could, without undue inconvenience, access Convent Rd and St Brigid's place via Harbour St and Store St. I am not sure if this is an appropriate submission for consideration in the "Development Plan" process. If not I request that it be considered for action, in any event, having regard to the policy outlined above.

