



## Two Bridges Academy

### School Travel Plan – Green Accreditation

#### Introduction

##### School Details

Name of school*	Two Bridges Academy
DfE Number*	
Telephone Number*	01454 866936
E-mail address*	
Address*	Vattingstone Lane, , Alveston, BS35
Website*	<a href="http://www.twobridgesacademy.org.uk">www.twobridgesacademy.org.uk</a>
Type of School*	SEND
Key Stage(s)*	Early Years/Foundation,Key Stage 1,Key Stage 2,Key Stage 3,Key Stage 4,SEND,16-18
Head Teacher*	To be appointed

##### Pupil and Staff Information

Age Range of Pupils*	2 - 19
Number of Pupils* including Nursery	112
Full Time Staff*	90
Part Time Staff	0

Where our pupils travel from

Two Bridges Academy is going to be a newly build Special Educational Needs (SEN) school due for opening to pupils in September 2023, aged between 2 - 19 years old. The school will be a specialist provision for pupils with severe learning difficulties (SLD) as well as profound and multiple learning difficulties (PMLD). It is envisaged that a high proportion of pupils will have

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Autism (ASD), and additional complex and multiple overlapping conditions. This means that Two Bridges Academy will meet a broad range of needs with an estimated 10%-60% pupils non-ambulant with significant physical difficulties, and 10%-30% requiring a low stimulation environment. The school will be net zero carbon, and is located next to Marlwood Secondary School, being built within grounds that the Marlwood school had once occupied.

The individual pupil needs are unknown until admissions are processed before the school opens to pupils in September 2023. This also impacts on the number of staff employed.

Each pupil will have an arrangement in their Education Health and care plan (ECHP) for the local authority to provide transport to and from the school, these travel arrangements are reviewed as part of the ECHP annual review process.

The school facilities including a hydro pool will be available for letting.

The school will be the hub for Enable Trust administrative staff, approximately 8.

	Opening times	Closing times
School Site*		
Pupils Official Times*	08:55:00	15:30:00
Other timings e.g. Nursery timings	The school will be open for lettings after school hours and weekends, but as yet these will not be known.	

## Working Group & STP Summary

Name	Role
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Two Bridges Academy Steering Committee comprising staff and Trustee.

## Travel & Transport Infrastructure

Facilities		
	Description	Numbers
	Staff parking spaces*	48
Car Park*	Visitors parking spaces*	0
	Disabled parking spaces*	3
Cycle Parking*	Covered Sheffield Stands*	1

## Facilities

	Sheffield Stands*	0
	Cycle Pod / Mini Pod*	0
	Other Cycle Spaces*	0
	Total Pupil Cycle Spaces*	0
	Total Staff Cycle Spaces*	8
Scooter Parking*	Scooter Parking Spaces*	0
Storage Lockers*	Storage lockers for cycling paraphenalia*	0
Shower Facilities*	Showers available*	2
Coach Parking*	Facilities for coaches to park*	2 mini buses

### Details of coach parking facilities

Two Bridges Academy will have 7 dedicated minibus drop-off bays in the car park, alongside 5 taxi drop-off spaces. These dedicated drop off/pull in zones are adjacent to the school building entrance to ensure efficient drop-offs occur without blocking the circulation of vehicles that are able to drop off quickly. The school will have two mini bus parking spaces for its own transport. Given the needs of the pupils, their travel arrangements will be fixed and arranged by the Local Authority as part of each pupil's Education and Health Care Plan, with the vast majority using sustainable mass transit (mini buses), and other specially provided for as needed, e.g. via taxi.

## Transportation Links

	The nearest bus stops to Two Bridges Academy, Alveston are:
	The Cross Hands, Alveston Down which is 325 meters away, and a 5 min walk.
	Strode Common, Alveston which is 415 meters away, and a 6 min walk.
	The Ship, Alveston is which is 913 meters away, and a 12 min walk.
Buses*	Davids Lane, Alveston which is 1213 meters away, and a 16 min walk.
	The service 622, stopping at The Cross Hands on Strode Common, providing eight services each weekday between Chipping Sodbury and Cribbs Causeway, Bristol.
	Services T1/T2/T1s stop at Davids Lane on the A38, providing a 30min frequency across the weekday between Thornbury and Bristol.
Rail*	The nearest railway station is Bristol Parkway, which is 8 miles away.

Two Bridges Academy will have one vehicular access point off Vattingstone Lane acting as an entrance and exit point, and internally a clear one-way clock-wise traffic system.

Vattingstone Lane forms the minor arm of a priority staggered cross roads with Strode Common/Down Road and The Down, and connects the site to Alveston to the south east and to Aust and M48 J1 to the west.

Directions:

From the North - Take M5 to Junction 14, signposted Thornbury (A38). Turn off the A38 at Alveston on to Thornbury Road (B4061). After 200 yards (opposite The Ship Inn) turn left into Down Road. Take the 4th right turn into Vattingsstone Lane and the school is 200 yards on the right.

Roads\*

From the South – Take the A38 from Bristol (or leave the M5 at the Almondsbury Interchange to join the A38 for Thornbury). Travel about 5 miles along the A38 to Alveston. Turn left at The Alveston House Hotel (traffic lights) and follow the B4061 to Thornbury. After 200 yards (opposite The Ship Inn) turn left into Down Road. Take the 4th right turn into Vattingsstone Lane and the school is 200 yards on the right.

From the East – Take the M4 to the Almondsbury Interchange, join the A38 and proceed as in (b) above.

From Wales - From the M4 take the M48 and immediately having crossed the old Severn Bridge, Thornbury is signposted from the exit (B4461). Follow the B4461 for 1 mile to Vattingsstone Lane and the school is on your left.

Two Bridges Academy will have a dedicated pedestrian access from Vattingsstone Lane, approximately 30m east of the sites vehicular access. This will be gated and will enable a safe route for pedestrians past the car park to the main building.

Footways are present along Vattingsstone Lane to the east towards Alveston on both sides of the carriageway and Two Bridges Academy will have a footway extension running from the south-eastern boundary of the site connecting into the existing pedestrian network. The existing footways are generally c.2m wide, well-lit and of good quality.

To the north of the site there are no pedestrian facilities provided.

Walking Routes\*

Below are examples of walking routes to and from the site likely to be used by staff from Alveston. These routes cover the main public transport links to and from the site.

- Davids Lane Bus Stops - Walk north along footways on A38 before turning left on to B4061. Walk north along footways on B4061 before turning left onto Down Road. Cross Down Road using zebra crossing before continuing west along footway for 520m before turning right to go north on Vattingsstone Lane for approximately 170m before reaching the site.
- Strode Common Bus Stops - Head west along Down Road for 140m, crossing at the zebra crossing just before the junction with Vattingsstone Lane if necessary. Turn right heading north up Vattingsstone Lane for approximately 170m before reaching the site.

These routes are good quality, and provide a safe and attractive route for staff to walk as part of their journey.

## Facilities

Cyclists will use the vehicular access, or dismount and push their bikes through the pedestrian access.

There are no dedicated cycle facilities in the immediate vicinity of the school, local roads are quiet and deemed safe for cycling.

### Cycling Routes\*

The Avon Cycleway, which is a ring route around Bristol passes through Thornbury, Chipping Sodbury, Keynsham and Clevedon, is just 2.2km north of the site. The National Cycle Network (NCN) Route 41 passes just 2.2km to the north of the site. The Avon Cycleway links to the NCN Route 41 just 500m further to the north (2.7km north of the site). It offers a viable option for staff commuting from nearby villages such as Alveston, Olveston and other areas further afield such as those within Bristol.

## STARS Routes to School Audit

The STARS Routes to School Audit has been designed to assist schools with identifying the sustainable travel and transport network that surrounds the school site. The audit is a great activity to conduct with your pupils and will count as evidence towards the 'Consultation Initiatives' in your Action Plan.

Name of road (main gate)

Vattingstone Lane

Name of other roads surrounding the school

Date of assessment

What is the speed limit of the road outside the main gate?

20mph

What is the speed limit on the other roads surrounding your school? (please select all that apply)

30mph

How many of the following crossings are present?

Pelican Crossing 0

Puffin Crossing 0

Toucan Crossing 0

Zebra Crossing 0

School Crossing Patrol 0

Traffic Island 0

Is there any traffic calming within 500m of school, e.g. speed bumps, build outs? (If yes, please provide details)

No

Are there railings present outside or near the main gate? (If yes, please provide details)

Yes

Is the main vehicular entrance used for pedestrians/cyclists as well as cars? (If yes, please provide details)

No

Does the school have a dedicated car park for parents (not teachers)? (If yes, please provide details)

No

Are there any dedicated cycle lanes leading to the school?

No

What is the quality of the pavements like within 500m of the school? (If poor/Inadequate, please record any details)

Good

## Targets

Type	Mode of Travel	This Year's %	Preferred %	Target %	Due Date	Target
Staff Mode of Travel	Car Share			3	2023 / 2024	Staff to be encouraged to car share. Recruitment information, induction procedures and item on website will encourage staff car share.
Staff Mode of Travel	Walk			3	2023 / 2024	Staff to be encouraged to walk to school, or park and stride where possible. Recruitment information, induction procedures and item on website will encourage walking to school.

## Consultations

Status	Type	Action	Responsible	Target Completion	Reporting	Completion Date
Planned	Residents, Businesses and Local Community	RBLC2 Residents are consulted on the development and implementation of the School Travel Plan	Tracy Norris	31/10/2022	3 Travel Plan consultation events as part of Section 10 consultations in September and October 2022	
Planned	Senior Management and Governors	SM1 The School Travel Plan / STARS is discussed at Senior Management / Governors meetings	Tracy Norris	31/10/2023	Trustee meetings prior to new Governance and SLT in place	

## Travel Initiatives

Status	Initiative	Person Responsible	Target Completion	Reporting	Completion date
Planned	AQ1 School promotes car sharing	Tracy Norris	31/10/2023		
Planned	AQ13 Anti Idling Initiative	Tracy Norris	21/06/2023		
Planned	AQ6 Highway code is promoted to students, staff and parents	Tracy Norris	31/08/2023		
Planned	C2 Cycle parking installed	Tracy Norris	21/06/2023		
Planned	R10 Be Bright Be Seen Activities	Tracy Norris	31/10/2023		
Planned	R11 School invites experts/organisations to talk about personal safety	Tracy Norris	31/10/2023		
Planned	R5 Pedestrian skills training	Headteacher	31/10/2023		

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Planned	R6 Independent travel training	Tracy Norris	31/10/2023		
Planned	W11 Walking trips	School Travel Plan Co Ordinator	30/11/2023	Teachers to provide evidence to School Travel Plan Co Ordinator including lesson plans, risk assessment and photos	
Planned	W9 Educational / Curriculum Walks	Travel Plan Co Ordinator	30/11/2023	Teachers to submit report to Travel Plan Co Ordinator with evidence e.g. lesson plans, risk assessment, photos.	

## Supporting Initiatives

Status	Initiative	Person Responsible	Target Completion	Reporting	Completion date
Planned	P2 School works with other schools to promote safe and sustainable travel	Tracy Norris	21/06/2023		
Planned	PR13 Information on website	Tracy Norris	21/06/2023		
Planned	PR17 New parent pack	Tracy Norris	21/06/2023		
Planned	PR2 Info sent to residents / school communicates with residents	Tracy Norris	30/10/2023		
Planned	PR6 School has an active travel policy	Tracy Norris	21/06/2022		
Planned	PR7 Travel information on notice board	Tracy Norris	31/08/2023		

## Sign off and Formal Approval

Title	Name	Sign off
	(for pupils a name is not required, e.g. school council)	

STP Champion  
Head teacher  
Governor (if applicable)  
LA Officer