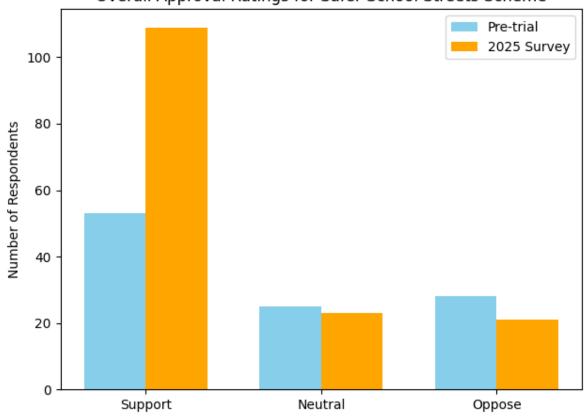
Safer School Streets survey findings - schools survey

The 2025 schools' survey shows a significant increase in support for the scheme from parents/guardians and school staff, from 53% to 71%. Reservations are predominantly about enforcement, displacement and feasibility for those combining trips into the zone with other commitments, or whose children have additional needs.

Overall level of support:

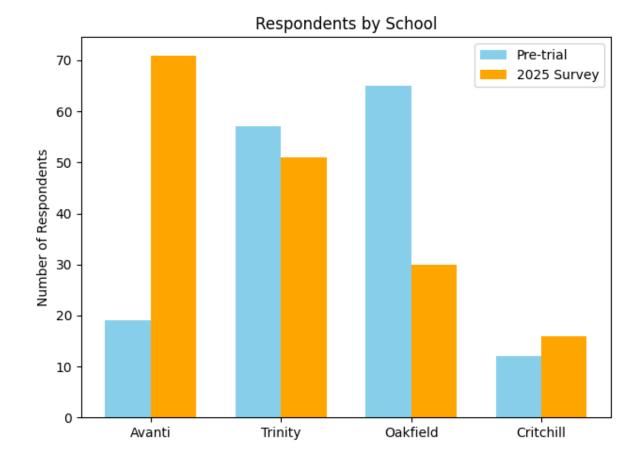
	Yes	No	Don't know/neutral
Pre-trial (131 responses)	69 (53%)	37 (28%)	25 (19%)
2025 survey (153 respondents)	109 (71%)	21 (14%)	23 (15%)





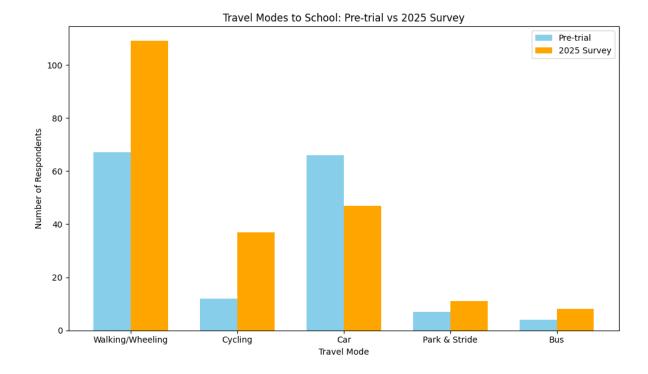
Breakdown of respondents by school (multiple options permitted):

	Pre-trial	2025
Avanti	19	71
Trinity	57	51
Oakfield	65	30
Critchill	12	16



Usual method of travelling to school (multiple options permitted)

	Pre-trial survey	2025 survey
Walk/wheel	67 (50.8%)	108 (71%)
Cycle	12 (9.1%)	36 (24%)
Car	70 (50.3)	47 (31%)
Park and stride	13 (9.8%)	19 (12%
Bus	2 (1.5%)	4 (3%)
School coach	2 (1.5%)	0
Other mode	3 (2.3%)	Not recorded

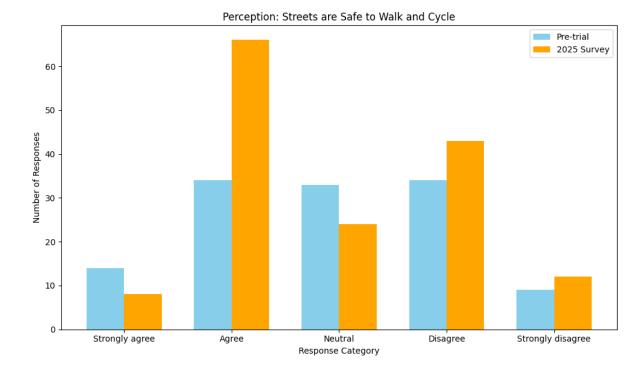


Road safety statements

Respondents to both pre-trial and 2025 surveys were asked to grade their responses to five statements about road safety.

The streets are safe to walk and cycle

	Pre-trial	2025 survey
Strongly agree	14	8
Agree	34	66
Neutral	33	24
Disagree	34	43
Strongly disagree	9	12

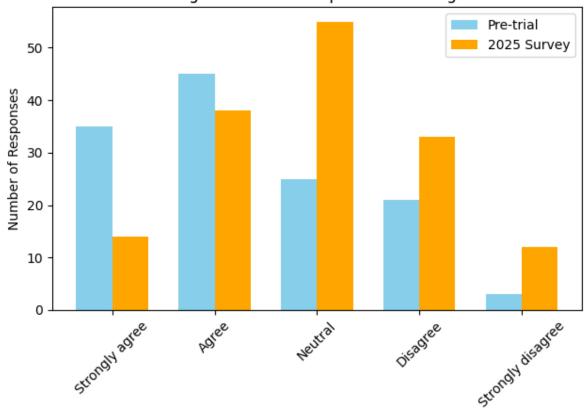


The number of respondents who strongly agree that the streets are safe is lower in the 2025 survey than in the pre-trial survey. This is mitigated by the increase in those who chose 'agree'. A higher percentage of respondents disagreed or strongly disagreed with the statement since the start of the trial.

Conflict relating to road and footpath use is a significant issue

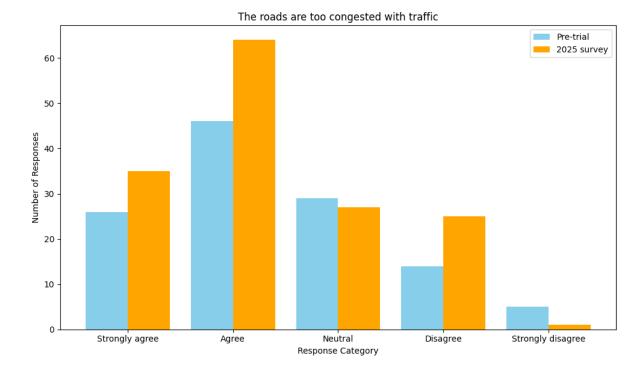
	Pre-trial survey	2025 survey
Strongly agree	35	14
Agree	45	38
Neutral	25	55
Disagree	21	33
Strongly disagree	3	12

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The roads are too congested with traffic

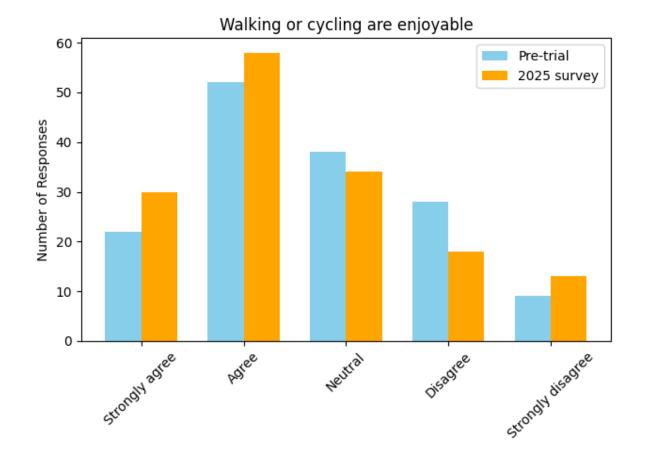
	Pre-trial survey	2025 survey
Strongly agree	26	35
Agree	46	64
Neutral	29	27
Disagree	14	25
Strongly disagree	5	1



These results demonstrates the continuing appetite for lower traffic levels in school zones among survey respondents.

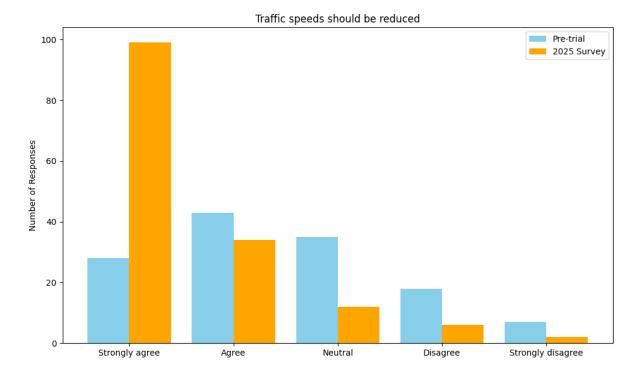
Walking or cycling are enjoyable

	Pre-trial survey	2025 survey
Strongly agree	35	42
Agree	51	56
Neutral	26	23
Disagree	13	26
Strongly disagree	4	6



Traffic speeds should be reduced

	Pre-trial survey	2025 survey
Strongly agree	13	53
Agree	15	46
Neutral	40	33
Disagree	38	16
Strongly disagree	17	4

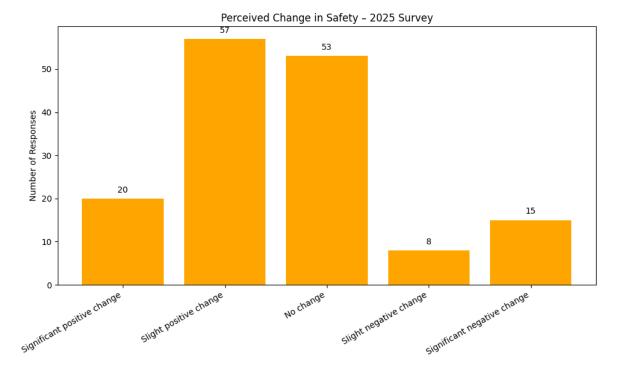


Traffic speeds have reduced with the introduction of the 20mph zone – and the Sustrans report does show a reduction in overall speed, although it only covers the Quiet Way.

Perceived change in safety

Respondents to the 2025 follow-up survey were asked: Since the start of the Safer School Streets trial period, have you noticed any change in safety for walking, cycling or wheeling?

	2025 survey
Significant positive change	20 (13.1%)
Slight positive change	57 (37.3%)
No change	53 (34.6%)
Slight negative change	8 (5.2%)
Significant negative change	15 (9.8%)



Just over 50% of respondents report an improvement, even if the majority say it isn't a significant one.