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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Your school is taking part in research led by Born in Bradford and Bradford City Council to better understand how the streets near school entrances are related to children's health and wellbeing. The idea behind this is to understand how to make the streets around the school a cleaner and safer place to be.

We would be grateful if you could fill in the parent/guardian survey online before Sunday 4th June. It should take no more than 10 minutes and will be really important to help us understand your views on your journey to school, the streets around the school and in your local area. Please use the website link to access the adult survey on school travel.

<https://redcap.link/l2j6ca72>

We also want to get the views of children in Years 4, 5 and 6 and the school/researchers will ask the children to complete this during normal school hours. Please see the Parent Information Sheet attached for further information.

Filling these surveys in is completely optional and all information will be stored securely. Only the research team will be able to see your individual answers. Once we have all the responses, we will put them all together to get a better understanding of how experiences of streets near school entrances are affecting you and your family. We will share a summary of the findings with your school. No one will be identified in any such report. This project has been reviewed and approved by UCL Research Ethics Committee ID 4129/008.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr Lisa Dowling (lisa.dowling@bthft.nhs.uk).

Best wishes,

Lisa Dowling
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Parent Information Sheet School Streets

Born in Bradford and University College London researchers are working with Bradford Council to understand if changes to the streets near school entrances are related to children's health and wellbeing.

Your child's school has agreed to help us with this research study.

What will we do?

We will ask children in Years 4, 5 and 6 in participating schools to complete surveys which ask things like how children feel about the streets near their school, how they travel to school, and their wellbeing.

The surveys will be carried out during normal school hours under the supervision of a teacher or researcher. The surveys will take about 15 minutes to complete. None of the questions are distressing to answer.

What happens to the information?

- The surveys will be kept confidential and will only be used for research and to inform Bradford Council's plans about how to improve streets near school entrances.
- It will not be possible to identify individual children's responses.
- None of your child's information will be passed on to any other organisation not directly involved in this study.

Who is leading the project?

This research project is being led by Professor Nicola Christie, Professor Rosie McEachan and the Born in Bradford study team in partnership with Bradford Council. The study has been reviewed and approved by University College London Research Ethics Committee (4129/008).

How can I find out more information?

If you would like to find out more about the study before deciding to let your child take part you can contact Lisa Dowling, Senior Research Fellow on 01274 36 4474 (via Switchboard) or by emailing lisa.dowling@bthft.nhs.uk.

How will I find out the results of the study?

The results of this study will be published in scientific journals but we will also make sure that each school receives a report of the results.

What do I need to do if I would like my child to have the assessments?

If you are happy for your child to take part you **DO NOT NEED TO DO ANYTHING**.

What do I need to do if I do not want my child to have the additional assessments?

There is no obligation for your child to take part and if you **DO NOT** want your child to complete this survey please let your school know.