

# Wirral Pedestrians' Concerns

June 2009 Online Survey

Carried out by Wirral & Chester Branch of Living Streets

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## Summary

This is a report of an online survey of pedestrians' concerns carried out between 4 June and 8 July 2009. Local residents and councillors known to have an interest in the subject were emailed with a link to the survey website, and were asked to forward the email to anyone who walks frequently on Wirral's streets who might be interested.

About 30 emails were sent out. There were 90 responses.

The biggest areas of concern were

- antisocial / illegal / dangerous parking (on street corners, on pavements, and at schools)
- traffic speeds too high
- cycling fast on pavements

There was a feeling that conditions have worsened for pedestrians over the last 12 months.

Wirral Council had been contacted by 32 respondents, and half of these felt the problems had subsequently resolved or improved - the other half felt there had been generally no effect or the problem had worsened.

Wirral Police had been contacted by 14 respondents with a mixture of outcomes.

Over half of respondents (53) asked to be informed of the results of the survey and be kept informed of the activities of the group.

Responses came from across Wirral postcodes, with a concentration (one third) from CH48.

We would have liked to include those without access to a computer, and hope to do this in the future with additional resources.

The full report including the appendices is available at

<http://www.livingstreetswirralchester.org.uk/files/Wirral-Pedestrians-Concerns-June-09.pdf>

## RESPONSES TO INDIVIDUAL QUESTIONS

### Q1. Which of the following are a concern to you?

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	Major concern	Minor concern	Not a concern/ no response
Vehicles parked on street corners, making crossing difficult (h)	64	22	4
Traffic speeds too high and too timidly enforced (j)	58	28	4
Vehicles driving onto and parking on pavements (a)	56	23	11
Parking outside schools e.g. on or opposite zig-zags (k)	56	14	20
Pavements damaged by vehicles (e)	51	24	15
Cyclists cycling fast on pavements (d)	51	22	17
Unsafe routes for schoolchildren e.g. crossing busy roads (l)	50	24	16
Street layouts designed for vehicles rather than pedestrians (g)	49	29	12
Pavements fouled by dogs (m)	45	35	10
Pavements obstructed by protruding branches & shrubs from gardens (b)	30	42	18
Key pedestrian routes not well linked (i)	28	43	19
Pavements damaged by tree roots etc (f)	27	40	23
Narrow pavements (c)	25	39	26

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The options provided were those reported by at least two respondents in the 2008 informal survey, and were presented in an order reflecting those concerns. The results are ordered here according to greatest concern - the order of options in the survey is indicated by (a) to (m).

**Comment:** The areas of greatest concern all relate to ways in which motor vehicles impinge on pedestrians' safety or convenience.

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### Q2. If you have concerns that are not listed, please enter them here.

There were 38 responses.

Points mentioned by at least three people were

- pavements obstructed by wheelie bins (6 people)
- vehicles on grass verges (4)
- businesses encroaching on pavements (bins, advertising boards, goods for sale, tables / chairs) (4)
- failure to proceed with trial pedestrianisation of The Crescent, West Kirby (3)

The full set of responses is given in Appendix 1

**Q3. Over the last 12 months, have the things that you are concerned about as a pedestrian changed overall?**

They have improved	8	xxxx
They have stayed the same	51	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
They have worsened	31	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Total	90	

**Comment:** Overall, there was a feeling that conditions have worsened for pedestrians over the last 12 months.

**Q4. If you are concerned about vehicles driving onto and parking on pavements, which roads are you most concerned about (list up to five)?**

There were replies from 54 people, making a total of 123 responses.

These are listed on page 4

**Q5. If you have contacted Wirral Council to report your concern about something affecting pedestrians, please say how good was the INITIAL response i.e. speed and appropriateness (see next question for how effective the action was).**

Very good	2	xx
Good	15	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Poor	1	x
Very poor	9	XXXXXXXXXX
Total	27	

(‘Not applicable’ or no answer in 63)

**Q6. If you have contacted Wirral Council (as in the previous question), please say how effective was the Council's response.**

Problem(s) resolved	9	XXXXXXXXXX
Problem(s) improved but not resolved	7	XXXXXXX
Generally no effect	15	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Problem(s) worsened	1	x
Total	32	

(No answer in 58)

**Comment:** Half of the 32 who had contacted Wirral Council felt the problems had resolved or improved - the other half felt there had been generally no effect or the problem had worsened.

## **Roads detailed in Q4 (vehicles driving onto and parking on pavements)**

(number of people mentioning each road in brackets)

### **Bebington**

Heather Road (1)  
Kingswood Boulevard (1)  
Queenswood Boulevard (1)  
Stanton Road (1)  
Teehey Lane (1)  
Town Lane (1)  
Woodburn Boulevard (1)

### **Birkenhead**

Kimmel Close (1)

### **Bromborough**

Allport Road (1)  
"Bradmore Estate: various" (1)  
Vanderbyl Avenue (1)

### **Claughton**

Bidston Avenue (1)  
Thistleton Avenue (1)

### **Greasby**

Greasby Road (1)  
Hambleton Drive (1)  
Rylands Hey (1)

### **Heswall**

Milner Road (1)  
Thurstaston Road (1)

### **Hoylake**

Alderley Road (1)  
Charles Road (2)  
Drummond Road (1)  
Market Street (2)

### **Irby**

Irby Road (1)  
Mill Hill Rd (2)  
Whaley Lane (1)

### **Meols**

Meols Parade (1)

### **Noctorum**

Wethersfield Road (1)

### **Oxton**

Birch Road (1)  
Claughton Firs (1)  
Fairview Road (2)  
Holm Lane (1)  
Mount Pleasant (1)

### **Pensby**

Belmont Drive (1)  
Derwent Drive (1)  
Fender Way (1)  
Fishers Lane (2)  
Kentmere Drive (1)  
Langdale Avenue (1)  
Marksway (1)  
Pensby Road (1)  
Rosemead Avenue (1)  
Woodfield Road (1)

### **Prenton**

Townfield Lane (1)  
"Too many to list" (1)

### **Thingwall**

Colmere Drive (1)  
Gwendoline Close (1)  
Pensby Road (1)  
Thingwall shops (1)

### **Tranmere**

"Too many to list" (1)  
Ashford Road (1)  
Derby Road (1)  
Halcyon Road (1)

### **Upton**

Royden Road (1)

### **Wallasey**

Manor Lane (1)  
Perrin Road (1)  
Stringhey Road (1)  
Trafalgar Road (1)

### **West Kirby**

Abbey Road (1)  
Acacia Grove (1)  
Ashton Drive (1)  
Banks Road (7)  
Birkett Road (1)  
Black Horse Hill (1)  
Boulton Avenue (1)  
Bracken Drive (1)  
Bramhall Close (1)  
Church Road (3)  
Darmonds Green (3)  
Dee Lane (2)  
Ennisdale Drive (1)  
Gilroy Rd (1)  
Grammar School Lane (3)  
Grange Cross Lane (1)  
Grange Farm Crescent (1)  
Grange Road (3)  
Greenbank Road (1)  
Groveside (1)  
Hilbre Road (1)  
Lang lane (1)  
Meols Drive (1)  
Newton Cross Lane (2)  
North Road (1)  
Orrysdale Road (3)  
Queensbury (1)  
Raeburn Avenue (1)  
Rectory Road (1)  
Riversdale Road (1)  
Salisbury Avenue (2)  
The Crescent (2)  
Village Road (1)  
Westbourne Road (4)

### **Woodchurch**

Carrbridge Road (1)  
Homefarm Road (1)  
New Hey / Carr Bridge jcn. (1)  
Newhey Road (1)

### **Wirral**

"All" / "many" (5)

**Q7. If you have contacted Wirral POLICE to report your concern about something affecting pedestrians, please say how good was the INITIAL response i.e. speed and appropriateness (see next question for how effective the action was).**

Very good	5	XXXXXX
Good	6	XXXXXXX
Poor	1	X
Very poor	2	XX
Total	14	

('Not applicable' or no answer in 76)

**Q8. If you have contacted Wirral POLICE (as in the previous question), please say how effective was the Police's response.**

Problem(s) resolved	2	XX
Problem(s) improved but not resolved	8	XXXXXXXXX
Generally no effect	5	XXXXXX
Problem(s) worsened	1	X
Total	16	

(No answer in 74)

**Comment:** Two-thirds of responders felt that the problem had resolved or improved, (but with the small numbers, comparison with Wirral Council is unreliable from this sample)

**Q9. What is your postcode (just give the first part if you prefer, e.g. CH48)?**

CH41	4	XX
CH43	9	XXXXXX
CH45	3	XX
CH47	14	XXXXXXXXX
CH48	34	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
CH49	4	XX
CH60	4	XX
CH61	5	XXX
CH62	4	XX
CH63	4	XX
Total	85	

(No answer in 5)

**Q10. Your name (optional)?**

Names were given by 49 respondents.

**Q11 & 12. Would you like to be informed of the results of this survey and be kept informed of the activities of the group?**

Email addresses were given by 53 people.

**Q13. Would you like to give any comments on this questionnaire form?**

**Q14. Any other comments?**

There were 25 comments to q13 (see Appendix 2) and a further 25 comments to q14 (see Appendix 3).

There were 11 comments about the survey form. Three comments used the word “excellent”; and five people felt it was “useful”, “worth filling in” or gave a similar positive comment.

There were three negative comments:

- “While going to the heart of it, some of the questions are leading”
- “stilted to get the answer you want.”
- “Your questions were somewhat biased more open ended questions would be better ie traffic speeds too timidly enforced.”

The wording in question 1 was taken from the comments volunteered in the 2008 informal survey and so represent people’s actual views, rather than an impartial assessment. It is a hard balance for a campaigning organisation to strike: making questions relevant to people’s (perhaps strongly held) opinions versus an impartial (perhaps bland) question. But we welcome these comments and intend to change the wording “Traffic speeds too high and too timidly enforced” in future surveys.

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## Appendix 1:

### Responses to Q2. "If you have concerns that are not listed, please enter them here."

- Vehicles driving along pavements to get past obstructions e.g. vehicles waiting to turn right
- When the pavements and driveways of Meols Drive (between Airlie Road and the Golf Club) were relaid in preparation for the Open Championship in 2006 they left depressions in the pavement that fill with water when it rains heavily. The water eventually drains away, but until it does the pavement is impassible and we are forced to walk on the grass islands to get past the large puddles.
- Wheelie bins left out on narrow pavements, made worse even more by cars parked partially on pavements, for example Hillside Road, West Kirby.
- Commercial properties having bins outside on the pavements mean that pedestrians have to pass them by walking out on to the road. Mothers with prams = people in wheelchairs - are not able to pass safely along this road.
- The pavements are a disgrace, due to vehicles parking on them with impunity. The measure of 20mm for repair is far too high and the inspectors are just not interested.
- Lack of pedestrian/cyclist/vehicle integrated approach.
- uneven paving stones, and pavements that slope towards the road where access to private drives have been so constructed. Hidden dips - where pavement height changes. eg on Dee lane, all the drives on some roads eg. Croome Dr etc Clusters of wheelie bins so that walkers have to use the roadway to pass. Mobility scooters that move at speed and seem to claim precedence over anyone/anything else and are probably uninsured.
- Some pedestrian areas are not lit sufficiently for walkers to feel 'safe'
- Vehicles parking on the 'slip' road between Manor Rd. and Newton Rd. Hoylake which create problems for others going through. 'Streetscene' and the police state that nothing can be done until there is an actual obstruction. Also, cars parked for the day in Manor Rd., while the drivers travel into L'pool to work creating parking problems for residents - they are oblivious to the excellent 'Park and Ride' at Hoylake station. There could be more publicity for the 'Park and Ride'. Parking at the library end of Hoylake is inadequate - depriving local shops of trade and creating problems for those who cannot carry shopping very far.
- At St. Bridget's School, WK, there are parents who habitually park on the double yellow lines - and one who repeatedly leaves a baby in the car, with the doors locked and the alarm set - for many minutes. And the alarm goes off regularly - upsetting for the baby and for everyone else around. I also think that some of the speed restrictions are silly - 50 mph in Pump Lane and Saughall Massie Road, with numerous bends and narrow lanes. Yet on the "new" stretch of the Saughall Massie Road, the restriction is 30 mph, and there are no houses and no pedestrians, and the cyclists have their own cycle track.

- Binmen leaving empty bins in the middle of path. Badly sited bus-shelters and lampposts obstructing narrow pavements. Paving stones replaced by tarmac. Inadequate maintenance of pavements of whatever construction.

- Parking on yellow and double yellow lines by genuine disabled drivers restricting pedestrians views when crossing.

- Walking on the country part of Brimstage road (Heswall to Brimstage village) is difficult as paths are narrow & not complete. Also too much heavy traffic (Lorries) on this road up to the Glegg roundabout.

- Parking allowed on both sides of narrow roads e.g, Hilbre Road, Banks road

- Dustbins left all over the pavements after being emptied meaning you have to walk on the road to get round them. Re above, I do not approve of cyclists riding on pavements, fast OR slow.

- shops putting things on pavements

- With regard to cycling on pavements, as you say moving fast are the important words, otherwise I have no objection to them using pavements in a disciplined and courteous manner. Young children especially need the safety of the pavements when learning to cycle and the above should be incorporated in their 'training'. Overhanging branches etc. Not a major concern, unless the hedges have grown out onto the pavement, so reducing the width of the pavement, as is the case in Rosemead Avenue, Pensby. Here it is difficult to use a pushchair or pass another pedestrian safely; similar to skips and building materials which are parked on the pavements where you need to step into the road to proceed further.

- Designated parking areas going over dropped crossing points i.e Hoylake roundabout . Which numpty in the Council thought of this one. Pram pushers etc have to either reverse out onto a busy intersection, or, more interestingly, put their children at risk!!!

- Parking on street corners is the major one, i know it is above but there is just a huge lack of consideration, especially around shops making it very difficult to see when it is safe to cross particularly if you have a pram.

- Residential streets used as rat runs as commuters want the fastest route. People i.e. commuters and shoppers using residential areas close to west kirby village tp park their cars as commuters they don't want to pay fees for parking at train station (free elsewhere in the wirral) and no free parking facilities for the shoppers and so let's take the whole area around Westbourne road and westbourne grove instead!!! I literally cannot cross the road (westbourne road) between north road and grange road as the rat runners (who should be using banks avenue - but don't want to wait to get out) just shoot down this stretch of road and never think to stop for people to cross the street. As for the 20mph - it's a joke. I cannot leave my window open as it sounds like the speeding traffic is in the room! I actually counted 285 (mostly speeding) cars passing along this stretch between 8am and 9am!!

- This my major bugger: Since the council got rid of the free parking, the narrow road I live in has become plagued with vehicles. Some of these people park here all day while they go to

work. Some use it as a park and ride facility (I have seen this). As my road is a narrow cul-de-sac it makes it very difficult or impossible for legitimate users. The council must have been aware of the problems that were bound to occur when they stopped the free parking but obviously didn't care about us town-dwellers. Sometimes the bin service is delayed because they can't gain access or deliveries are affected. I dread to think what the consequences of a fire or medical emergency would be.

- Vans and vehicles parked on grass verges.
- The condition of the pavements. damaged tarmac and uneven paving stones as a result of poor maintenance.
- I think the roads/streets are very well kept by the authority but some people are still just throwing litter anywhere they please day and night. Pavement fouling by dogs has cleared up a great deal, not only by warnings of fines but by educating people, we must do the same about litter. Impose £1000 fines and the streets will clean themselves.....
- cars driving across grassed kerbs to park outside their homes, is a major concern around my area.
- Failure to trial pedestrianisation of The Crescent, West Kirby. Footway too narrow - Grange Road, West Kirby from Abbey to Westbourne Road.
- Large vehicles legally parked but causing obstruction. People running businesses from their houses using large vehicles. Parking on very narrow roads. Residents who own a large number of cars and park them legally on the street taking up parking space for other residents.
- Advertising boards and wheelie bins parked in the middle of pavements
- I caught a local woman with her dog off lead encouraging it to do its toilet on our front gardens. Having had to move this mess continually over the previous 12 months, and since I challenged her, the mess and the disgraceful woman have disappeared.
- Parking on grass verges
- Cars parking in cycle lanes Cars parking on grass verges, churning up the grass and destroying them car wing mirrors protruding so that they catch you when you try and walk past
- Street layouts also designed for motorised vehicles, not cyclists.
- Number of bars/restaurants allowed to encroach on the pavement - tables/chairs for outside use. Particularly bad in Market Street, Hoylake. Also shops such as Poundsaver using pavement to display cheap goods - again in Market Street, Hoylake
- Major concern about the impact of the new Aldi on pedestrian safety (2 daughters walking from WKGS) and the increase in huge supermarket delivery lorries on local roads. Great shame that the pedestrianization of the Crescent has fallen through - any chance of reviving it? I understand local traders' concerns, but rising bollard schemes for buses and delivery vehicles

seem to work on pedestrianised streets in Chester?

- trying to get from concourse to bridge road...very difficult for pedestrians, particularly those with wheels (pram or otherwise)...around narrow pavements with cars parked around...or across the car park.

- I am concerned generally over the unsafe, uneven state of some of the pavements in Greasby. Just recently I fell on some broken tarmac, I wasn't seriously hurt but it could have been a different story had I been elderly.

- Misuse of blue badges/disabled spaces Not enough dropped pavements People parking both sides of The Crescent

- Reduction of car parking through the Sail and development on car parks leading to more on-street problems. Problems of parking on sunny weekends on the promenade and adjacent streets. Pavement opposite station too narrow. Delay in pedestrianising the Crescent is bad - do it asap!! Lack of signage to main locations in WK - town centre, station, buses, parks, Wirral way and promenade etc

## Appendix 2:

### Responses to Q13. Would you like to give any comments on this questionnaire form?

- Excellent survey
- Cars speeding on Meols Drive . I take my life in my hands at times when crossing for the Church. Can we have a light up signal with 30 mph.I am often over taken whilst keeping to the speed limit. I have risked being knocked over by bicycles coming from behind, frequently, sometimes a family of three, but mostly adults of all ages.The police are never around, at these times although they say it is illegal.
- This is a questionnaire that interests me in particular I have concerns about vehicles driving on to pavements and the increasing number of cyclists on the pavements.
- Cant imagine i will ever change and have given up complaining. Streets are filthy, litter is out of control and in Hoylake during the weekends the streets are both unsafe and filthy
- If something can be done to keep vehicles off the pavements and to get the pavements repaired, it would be superb.
- The Brimstage rRoad is becoming a tremendous problem with respect to HGV churning up the road and they way some drivers of HGV speed with little regard for pedestrians, Cyclist-who take their life into their own hands on this stretch of wirral roads and on coming traffic. There are issues regarding the constant renewal of this road surface and the inappropriate use by HGV'S. I believe that it is only a matter of time before a life or lives are lost on this Road. The council should stop HGV's with immediate effect and the police should be given more resources to monitor wreckless drivers.
- Having seen adverts in the local press for very well paid but seemingly, in these straitened times, non-essential posts paid for by the council, it seems to me thta some of the monies used for such posts could be better spent on repairing and improving the local infrastucture.
- While going to the heart of it, some of the questions are leading
- I wish drivers would not park on double yellow lines or on corners, or even in some cases, actually on road junctions. It is dangerous and against the law, but you rarely see a car with a ticket from a warden on it for these violations.
- I am sure people would like to be more detailed, but you would need more pages to be completed, so the present format is excellent.
- I am shocked at just how inconsiderate some drivers are particularly around Liscard Primary School, Manor Lane is used by lots of parents and children who walk to and from school and parents who use cars just do not seem to care, often parking right outside the gates making it impossible to cross if you have a pram with you which many do.
- I am particularly concerned about vehicles parking on pavements as this creates a particular hazard for blind and sight impaired pedestrians. Also wheelchar and pram users are placed in

jeopardy when passing these vehicles by going onto the carriageway.

- I have not bothered to complain to the council because a neighbour had already done so without a satisfactory outcome
- I hope the answers given are not for stats and that there will be positive action taken.
- Easy to complete and appropriate questions
- stilted to get the answer you want.
- I think questionnaire is a good idea and I am looking forward to your findings
- the field opposite me is used as a bike and quad bike race track, not only is this noisy but very dangerous, as the field is used by children and dog walkers
- The form works fine!
- Excellent
- Riding bicycles on pavements is a major complaint of mine. It is not viewed with the seriousness that this deserves.
- I am a car owner but I am a responsible driver. I have witnessed car speeding, undertaking, parking illegally, crashes. There seems to be a lack of owner responsibility. I haven't reported any cars as I have tried in the past but the complaint procedure is too complicated and not confidential which is the main reason why I haven't complained further.
- In question 8, I actually contact the Community Patrol rather than the police.

### **Appendix 3:**

#### **Responses to Q14. Any other comments?**

- No
- After having a total knee replacement I am especially concerned about anything that will cause me to fall over. Cyclists on the pavement are my main concern because I have walked out a shop twice in the last few weeks in Hoylake Market Street straight in to an on-coming cyclist. I walk along Market Street every day and usually am wondering whether to step to the right or left to avoid a cyclist. I am not an old person - just have a problem with walking. Old people who walk along the pavements must be very scared.
- Anyone committing the above offences should be fined heavily
- Is this getting wider publicity? Items and links in local papers? Not just asking those known to be concerned?
- My complaints re the slip road were listened to sympathetically by both community police and Streetscene, but both said they were powerless.
- My husband wrote to the Council on 21st January concerning the SAR, suggesting ways in which money could be saved in respect of street lighting. Despite several reminder letters, he has not even had the courtesy of an acknowledgment, never mind a response! He has now sent copies of his letter to our MP and to some local government ombudsman. Shall we ever hear from Councillor Foulkes? Probably not.
- Why can't the Local Authority make the traffic run one way South to North on Banks Road and one way North to South on Westbourne/Hilbre Road and eliminate the ridiculous cat and mouse situation that exists now over who has the right of priority between cars that meet head to head with cars parked both sides of the roads? The drivers are so busy looking at on-coming cars that they don't notice when pedestrians are attempting to cross the roads.
- I wish people visiting Ashton Park would learn to take their litter/used babies nappies/ drinks cans back home with them or put them in a bin, not leave them in surrounding roads for us to pick up
- The support group's work for campaigning for 'free' pavements is doing a great job. I have been getting quite angry lately because of the cavalier attitude of drivers towards pedestrians and their pavements. I grew up in the belief that the pavements are there for the safety of the pedestrian. Now the car rules and the pedestrians take a minor role.
- Drivers feel they can park on pavements whenever they want. This is totally unacceptable and dangerous.
- I think we all need to take charge of our responsibilities be we car drivers, dog owners or householders. If we do not, then action should be taken, without fear or favour.
- The council does not like to address car related concerns because it upsets a greater number

of people, leaving the lowly pedestrian to suffer just because they choose to be greener and healthier. I enjoy walking and it is not an option as I do not own a car, so I am all too aware of discourteous drivers, who seem to be always in a mad rush, just leave a little earlier!

- Traffic speeds are not too high and not timidly enforced, reducing speed limits and putting bumps in roads is not the answer. I walk and drive to work so see it from both sides. Dog fouling is a major concern but how the ignorant people who let their dogs foul can be apprehended is a big question.

- Useful exercise

- I regularly email Streetscene over footway issues - they quickly fix the problem if it is their responsibility but seem under-resourced when it comes to chasing other land owners.

- I am visually impaired, so most of these issues affect my daily navigation out and about.

- I have to use a mobility scooter. Bumpy and rough pavements are of concern as are those that have been made too narrow or reduced by parked vehicles. Before my disability, I was involved in starting a Walking Bus for WK Primary School. We had many difficulties that were resolved only by constant agitation of Council. Busy roads, narrow pavements were our prime concerns.

- Worth filling in

- Main concern is the lack of action against cyclists using pavements and expecting pedestrians to give way

- The Mount Pleasant parking on pavements is due to school run for Prenton Prep. (some parents even leave engines running while they sit there and wait!). Also, double parking along Rose Mount and Claughton Firs, Oxton, although not affecting the pavements as such, often causes major obstruction to the 90 bus, and as I don't drive myself, and rely on public transport, the blockages due to double parking affects me as a pedestrian (non car driver) too.

- Have left 5 and 6 blank but on trying to obtain information from council on school crossing patrols, this was very difficult. It was difficult to get hold of the right person, when I did they were curt. The local councillor was easy to speak to and replied immediately to emails.

- Your questions were somewhat biased more open ended questions would be better ie traffic speeds too timidly enforced.

- I have raised the matters of pavement parking with the local Forum and Councillor Southwood with absolutely NO effect

- Concern that proposed developments in West Kirby are not taking pedestrian issues into consideration adequately- ie recent now cancelled aim to reduce width of promenade to allow more cars to park diagonally