

# Joint statement on walking, wheeling and cycling

We, the Mayors of England's Combined Authorities, will work together to improve our streets for everyone, for the benefit of the health, wellbeing and connectedness of our communities.

This commitment to walking, wheeling and cycling, with a first focus on the school run, will help get **20 million people more active daily** and create more than **3,500 miles of safer routes** connecting schools with local neighbourhoods, high streets and transport hubs.

We are doing this as part of wider plans to fully integrate our transport networks, to deliver new housing and to further cement local economic growth.

We commit to:

- Work with the Department for Transport, Active Travel England and our local authorities to create a **country-wide national walking, wheeling and cycling network, comprising of local networks that are safe and easy to use**. This will give millions of people across England the choice to use high quality, safe routes in their communities.
- **Transform the school run** by delivering high-quality, safer routes in neighbourhoods nationwide.
- Deliver region-wide **integrated transport networks by giving people easy walking, wheeling and cycling access to buses, trams and trains** which will in turn help deliver new housing and support local economic growth.

Together, we can transform our regions and deliver increased transport choice, sustainable public transport, boost local economies and give our younger generation access to opportunity.

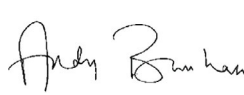
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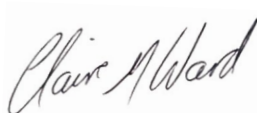
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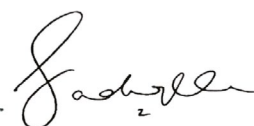
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