



WALKABILITY AUDIT



INTRODUCTION

Encouraging more people to walk to and from your Club is one of the most effective ways to reduce travel-related emissions, improve health and wellbeing and strengthen connections with your local community.

A Walkability Audit helps your Club assess how safe, accessible and practical it is for members to walk to your facilities. It looks at routes outside the Club, entrances into the grounds and movement within the site itself.

This resource provides a simple and structured way for your Together Greener Team to identify barriers to walking and highlight opportunities for improvement. It is particularly useful for clubs located within a reasonable walking distance of local communities

This resource will support your Club to:

- Assess how safe and accessible walking routes are to your Club.
- Identify barriers preventing members from walking.
- Highlight opportunities to improve access and safety.
- Engage with local authorities and partners.
- Inform your Travel Action Plan and Green Goals.

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WHEN TO AUDIT

When to Use a 'Walkability' Audit

A Walkability Audit is most effective for Clubs located within approximately 5km of local population areas, schools or community hubs.

You can carry out this audit:

- At the start of your Together Greener journey, to establish a baseline.
- When planning improvements to facilities or access routes.
- As part of engagement with local authorities on active travel.
- Periodically to review progress.



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AUDIT COMPLETION

How to Complete the Walkability Audit

Your audit should be completed by members of your Together Greener Team, ideally supported by volunteers or members who regularly travel to the Club.

A separate audit should be completed for each facility used by the Club.

Clubs should:

- Walk the main routes to the Club and around the site.
- Observe safety, accessibility and ease of use.
- Record findings using the tables provided.
- Take photos where helpful.
- Discuss and agree on priority issues.

When completing the audit, consider different users, including children, parents, women, older adults and people with disabilities.





WALKABILITY AUDIT CHECKLIST

Club Name:

Date:

Outside Club Grounds

ISSUE	YES/NO	COMMENTS
Are the main walking routes to the Club well-lit?	Yes ☐ No ☐	
Are there safe paths or pavements along the main routes?	Yes ☐ No ☐	
Are there safe crossing points available?	Yes ☐ No ☐	
Are routes well maintained, for example, free from potholes, overgrowth or poor surfaces?	Yes ☐ No ☐	
Are there any areas that feel unsafe to walk, for example, due to traffic, poor visibility or anti-social behaviour?	Yes ☐ No ☐	
Are routes accessible for people using prams, wheelchairs or mobility aids?	Yes ☐ No ☐	



WALKABILITY AUDIT CHECKLIST

Club Name:

Date:

Entering Club Grounds

ISSUE	YES/NO	COMMENTS
Is there a separate entrance for pedestrians?	Yes ☐ No ☐	
If not, are there clear markings separating pedestrians from vehicles?	Yes ☐ No ☐	
Is the pedestrian access open and available at all times the Club is in use?	Yes ☐ No ☐	
Is the entrance well-lit and visible?	Yes ☐ No ☐	
Is vegetation managed to ensure clear visibility?	Yes ☐ No ☐	
Is the entrance accessible for wheelchair users and those with mobility needs?	Yes ☐ No ☐	



WALKABILITY AUDIT CHECKLIST

Club Name:

Date:

Inside Club Grounds

ISSUE	YES/NO	COMMENTS
Are walking routes within the Club safe and clearly defined?	Yes ☐ No ☐	
Are pedestrians separated from vehicles where possible?	Yes ☐ No ☐	
Are distances and walking times communicated to members?	Yes ☐ No ☐	
Is the entrance well-lit and visible?	Yes ☐ No ☐	
Are there accessible routes for all users, including those with disabilities?	Yes ☐ No ☐	
Are there safe routes to key areas such as pitches and the clubhouse?	Yes ☐ No ☐	



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Additional Observations

USE THIS SPACE TO CAPTURE ANY OTHER ISSUES OR OPPORTUNITIES IDENTIFIED DURING THE AUDIT.

Audit completed by:



WALKING ROUTE AUDIT

To gain a deeper understanding of specific routes, your Club can carry out a detailed route audit using the template provided.

Clubs should:

- Walk key routes used by members.
- Wear high visibility clothing for safety.
- Record specific issues and locations.
- Take photos where appropriate.





ROUTE AUDIT RECORDING SHEET

Club Name:

Date:

Route description:

ISSUE NO.	DESCRIPTION, INCLUDING LOCATION	RECOMMENDATION
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
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7		



AUDIT FINDINGS

Once completed, your audit will highlight key barriers and opportunities.

Clubs can:

- Identify priority improvements within their control.
- Engage with local authorities on external issues such as lighting, paths and crossings.
- Inform decisions on promoting walking and active travel.
- Support funding applications or partnership discussions.

Where issues are outside your control, sharing your findings with your local authority's Active Travel team can help support improvements in your area.



FURTHER SUPPORT

Completing a Walkability Audit will give your Club a clearer understanding of how accessible and safe it is for members to walk to and around your facilities.

You do not need to address everything at once. Use your findings to identify a small number of priority actions, such as improving on-site safety or engaging with local partners on external routes.

This audit can also be revisited over time to track improvements and support continuous progress.

Use what you have learned in this resource to:

- Inform one of your two mandatory Green Goals.
- Develop your Travel Action Plan.
- Engage with local authorities and partners.
- Promote walking as a safe and accessible option.

Even small improvements, such as better lighting or clearer pedestrian routes, can make a significant difference in encouraging more people to walk to your Club.

Further information on Travel can be found at www.faw.cymru/TogetherGreener-travel.

If you require support completing this audit, please contact sustainability@faw.cymru