



Summary of Parents' Comments

St Fiachra's JNS

Montrose Park, Beaumont, Dublin 5

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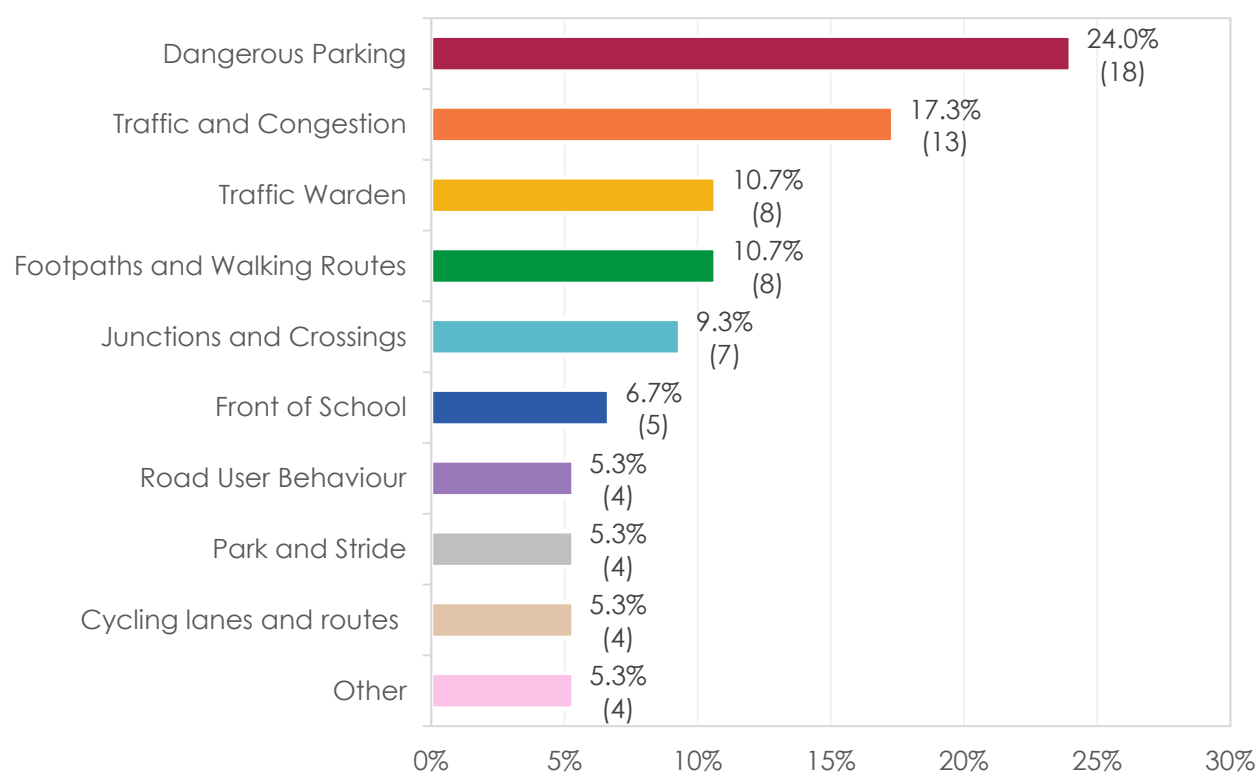
The school distributed the survey to all parents, via their usual communications methods, during October 2021. Reminders were also issued.

Responses received: 238

Comments received: 75

The following section summarises the comments received from the parents of St Fiachra's JNS. Each response was read and categorised against 10 categories that were found in the responses. Each comment was placed in the [one] category most applicable, although sometimes there was crossover into another category. Those responses that could not be categorised are classified as other.

Categories of Comments Received



1. Dangerous Parking

18 respondents, 24% of all comments received referred to this issue. The comments relating to this issue can be summarised as there is too much parking close to the school gate and too many cars in the area are parking or manoeuvring dangerously (e.g.: mounting footpaths, parking on double yellow lines, obstruction of children's views when crossing, blocking cycle paths on Skellys Lane). Some comments suggested banning parking on the road going to the school gate (except for residents) or having more enforcement of parking rules throughout the school year.

2. Traffic and Congestion

13 respondents, 17.3% of all comments received referred to this issue. The comments relating to this issue can be summarised as there are too many cars driving to the school and around the Montrose Estate including from parents who live within walking distance. One comment noted that a ban on cars within 200m of the school is "completely ignored". Closing Montrose Park, implementing a one-way system and closing off other roads to external traffic were among the suggestions made.

3. Traffic Warden

8 respondents, 10.7% of all comments received referred to this issue. The comments relating to this issue can be summarised as the lollipop lady is great but that traffic wardens should be in use throughout the day with the 13:30 finish time being cited by several people as needing a traffic warden.

4. Footpaths and Walking Routes

8 respondents, 10.7% of all comments received referred to this issue. The comments relating to this issue can be summarised as there is a lot of congestion on footpaths on routes to school. The pedestrian path between Skellys Lane and Montrose Close is a particular problem as it is narrow and creates congestion and delays – several comments suggested that this path be widened.

5. Junctions and Crossings

7 respondents, 9.3% of all comments received referred to this issue. The comments relating to this issue can be summarised as there could be more safe crossings routes on Beaumont Road and Skellys Lane including at the pedestrian entrance to Montrose Close.



6. Front of School

5 respondents, 6.7% of all comments received referred to this issue. The comments relating to this issue can be summarised as the ban on cars on church/school grounds is welcome and should be extended to Montrose Park (except for residents) although one comment expressed concern for parents who have to walk in the cold and wet with their infants.

7. Road User Behaviour

4 respondents, 5.3% of all comments received referred to this issue. The comments relating to this issue can be summarised as speeding is a problem on roads near the school, particularly Beaumont Road. Ramps should be considered.

8. Park and Stride

4 respondents, 5.3% of all comments received referred to this issue. The comments relating to this issue can be summarised as some parents currently park away from the school area (including at grandparents' houses) and then walk/scoot the rest of the way.

9. Cycle Lanes and Routes

4 respondents, 5.3% of all comments received referred to this issue. The comments relating to this issue can be summarised as there could be better designated cycle ways on routes to school with Beaumont Road in particular being mentioned. There were also complained of cars parking on cycle lanes and cyclists using footpaths.

10. Other

4 respondents, 5.3% of all comments received referred to this issue. The comments relating to this issue can be summarised as dogs shouldn't be allowed on the school compound, a school bus should be considered, you should be able to drive into school for a drop-off and immediately departure and the school starting time means that driving is the only current option for one parent who would prefer their children to cycle or scoot.

