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PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

- Physical inactivity can shorten your life
- Physical inactivity is expensive
- Physical activity saves lives
- Physical activity is good for our minds

WALKING

- Walking is the answer to getting people more active
- Walking is cost effective
- Walking for Health is a proven way to get people walking, happy and healthy
- Walking is key to getting Guernsey moving

WALKING IS ACCESSIBLE AND ALREADY WELL-LIKED

- Walking is the most accessible physical activity, and already the most popular. It also has the greatest potential to grow, particularly among people disproportionately affected by low physical activity levels and poor health
- Walking has multiple benefits to society
- Increased walking is associated with increased social interaction, reduced crime and fear of crime, increased perceptions of safety, and the development of social capital – the network of interactions between individuals and their communities

WALKING BENEFITS

- Walking is free, requires no special equipment, training or gym and club memberships
- Walking is a moderate, low-impact activity, unlikely to cause injury
- You can walk almost anywhere and at any time
- You can start slowly and easily and build up gradually, ideal if you are very unfit, have a long-term condition or are on a rehabilitation programme. For some people it is a 'gateway' to more vigorous activities

WALKING BENEFITS

- You can wear everyday clothing, reducing embarrassment for unfit or overweight people
- It is a multipurpose activity that facilitates social interaction or getting from A to B
- Only 4% of people either need help when walking outside the home or are unable to walk on their own at all

WALKING IS COST EFFECTIVE

- A study commissioned by Natural England concluded that every £1 spent on a health walk scheme saved the local NHS £7. The Walk Glasgow health walks scheme, run along similar lines to Walking for Health, was found to deliver between £7 and £9 in health, social and environmental benefits for every £1 invested
- Schemes to provide improved local walking and cycling routes typically have benefit-to-cost ratios of 20 to 1, considerably higher than rail and road schemes, which typically have a ratio of 3 to 1.
 HEAT is now included in the Department for Transport's WebTAG model for calculating the economic benefits of walking and cycling routes

GUERNSEY IS GOOD AT WALKING







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Annual







Walking is the world's oldest exercise and today's modern medicine.

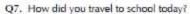
Walking is a man's best medicine.

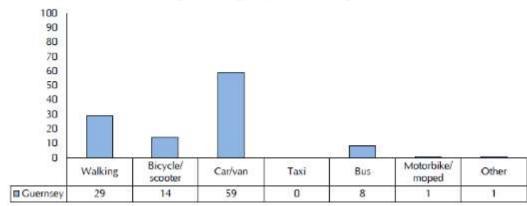
- Hippocrates



PRIMARY

Travel to school



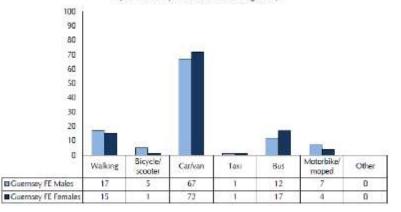


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Trave

16% of students responded that they walked to school/college on the day of the survey, while 69% said they travelled by car/van.

Q11. How did you travel to school/college today?





Walking for Health

Yvonne Le Page, Health Promotion Manager











WfH now England's largest network of health walk schemes

400 local schemes
1000's of walks a week
Over 9,000 volunteers



Background



- •1995 William Bird Oxfordshire GP started running health walks from his surgery
- •2000 Walking for Health launched by Countryside Agency
- •Run by diverse organisations councils, NHS, charities, voluntary groups
- Organised now by the Ramblers and Macmillan Cancer Support





Vision:

Everyone will have access to a short, free and friendly health walk within easy reach of where they live, to help them become and stay active







What is a health walk?









A health walk is:

- **Organised**
- Free
- Led by volunteers
- Sociable walk as part of a group
- Open to all
- Especially for those who haven't been physically active recently

- Not cross country hikes
- Not competitive or timed
- Accessible and attractive to inactive people
- Local
- Short and easy







The local Scheme

- Started in Guernsey in 2001
- Alderney in 2015
- Walks every day except Saturdays
- 32 leaders in Guernsey, 4 in Alderney
- All volunteers
- Admin through the Health Promotion

Unit





Walks – all 30 minutes (45 mins on Sundays)

MONDAYS MONDAYS TUESDAYS WEDNESDAYS THURSDAYS FRIDAYS SUNDAYS

SUNDAYS

10.30am Saumarez Park

Beau Sejour

Imperial Hotel

Saumarez Park

Houmet Tavern 10.30am

Chouet carpark 10.30am

1.45pm

2.00pm

10.30am

Different venue each week

4.00pm (2.30pm in winter)

Braye Beach, Alderney 2.45pm



Social aspect



- Walkers invited to stay for a cup of tea after the walk
- Leaders ensure all are made welcome
- Friendships develop
- Celebrations
- Twice yearly lunches





General DataJanuary to December 2016

Registered walkers: 188

Walk Hours: 2364

New Walkers: 52

Registered walkers per quarter av 140

Attendances per quarter av 1200







Accreditation achieved 2015

- Free and easily accessible by walking or public transport
- Over easy terrain and requires no special equipment
- Encourage walking at a pace that makes walkers feel warmer, breathe harder and their heart beat faster whilst still being able to talk to others around them
- Be a minimum of 10-30 minutes and no longer than 90 minutes
- Must be led by Walking for Health trained walk leaders







Support from UK



Advice and Guidance





Training



Database



Publicity materials & resources



Civil Liability insurance

alth.org.uk

Google www.walkingforhealth.org



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Supporting you to get active and stay active

Home

Find a walk

walking for health

Why Walk?

Health & social care professionals



Find a local health walk scheme today... Walking for Health offers over 1,800 free, short walks every week. Find your nearest health walk scheme using the search below





Walk About with The Ramblers

Start logging walks, earning badges and racing your friends to the top of the leaderboard today!

Find out more about Walk About >>



Walking with a health condition

If you have problems with your health, or if you've had them in the past, it can be hard to stay active.

Find out more about walking with a health condition



Walking and cancer

Whether you're being treated or recovering from cancer - come and walk with us.

Find out more about how walking can help you >>







After Walking for Health









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Club Bons Amis

@Lesbonsamis

Guernsey CLUB BONS AMIS is for people aged 50 & over. CLUB BONS AMIS will endeavour to promote all positive benefits of leading healthy, socially active lives.

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Club Bons Amis @Lesbonsamis · Apr 29

Lanes walk tomorrow, Monday 1st May, 10am, meet at Saumarez Park, Home Farm(rear), appark, Perry's P15 G1.

Potential new members welcome.





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Club Bons Amis @Lesbonsamis - Apr 29

Cliff path walk tomorrow, 10am, Monday 1st May, meet at Doyle Monument, Jerbourg.

Potential new members welcome to join in the walk.











Club Bons Amis @Lesbonsamis - Apr 22

Cliff/Lanes walking groups co-incidently meet at the same venue tomorrow, Monday 24th April, The Venue, St Martin's,

10am, Perry's P25 F5.













foot forward





