

Playing Out in Hull

Playing out sessions use temporary road closures to allow children to play freely and safely in their own street. In partnership with the Highways department, a 'Temporary Play Street Order' is granted to allow streets to 'close' for a short period. The street is manned by volunteer marshals who live down the street, safely allowing vehicles to slowly enter and exit, ensuring that people can still gain vehicle access during the session. Sessions normally last 1-3 hours and can be as regular as suits the street; weekly, monthly etc. Before a closure can be granted, the whole street must be consulted with and any concerns carefully considered.

How do I set up a Playing Out session in my street?

Step 1

Contact Emma Kelly to register your interest emma.kelly@hulcc.gov.uk or Tel: 01482 616380

Emma is available to answer any questions that you may have and support throughout the process. Emma will check with the Highways department that your street is suitable.

Step 2

Consult with your street

Once you know that your street is suitable, you need to consult with your street. A letter must be posted through every door in your street and any concerns must be considered. A letter template is available.

Don't forget to try and recruit stewards whilst you're speaking to residents. They're essential for ensuring a safe play environment!

Step 3

Contact Graham Lownsborough (Highways Department) to apply for a Temporary Play Street Order graham.lownsborough@hulcc.gov.uk

There is a simple form to fill in and return to Graham. This gives you permission from Hull City Council to temporarily 'close' the street. Emma can help with the form if you would like the support.

Step 4

Contact Emma to arrange collection of a Playing Out Toolkit from your local storage site

The toolkits include road closure signs, high visibility vests, posters, a skipping rope and street chalk.

Step 5

Have lots of fun at your Playing Out session!

