

## Appendix 2. Community street audit resources.

Community street audits can be used to evaluate the quality of streets and spaces from the viewpoint of people who use them, rather than those who manage them. This involves small groups of local residents and businesses assessing a route on foot. The healthy environments toolkit developed by Living Streets offers guidance on the range of tools available for assessing the walkability of places. This includes advice on a range of actions that communities can take to shape the development of their neighbourhood. This toolkit can be accessed at the link below:

**Living Streets. *Healthy environments toolkit.***

<http://www.livingstreets.org.uk/professionals/working-with-communities/healthy-environments-toolkit>

Taking a comprehensive approach to encouraging community-led regeneration, the 'Reclaim Your Streets' toolkit offers advice to community groups by using case studies to illustrate how local people can make a difference in their neighbourhood. The toolkit outlines the complexity of community-led neighbourhood change by outlining the various actions required to initiate change and to maintain this over a prolonged period. The toolkit can be accessed at the link below:

**Living Streets. *Reclaim Your Streets toolkit.***

<http://www.livingstreets.org.uk/toolkits>

Placecheck is another way of evaluating the quality of streets using a walkabout approach. The website below provides information on how to conduct a placecheck, including what questions might be used to prompt discussion on the walkabout.

**Placecheck. *Why do a placecheck?***

<http://www.placecheck.info/>

The active neighbourhood checklist was developed to assess how street features impact on physical activity levels. The checklist assesses the following five aspects of the neighbourhood environment: land use, public transit stops, street characteristics, quality of the environment for a pedestrian, and places to walk and bicycle. The tool is available below:

**Active Living Research. *The active neighbourhood checklist – Protocol, Version 2.0.***

[http://activelivingresearch.org/files/Protocol\\_ActiveNeighborhoodChecklist.v2.pdf](http://activelivingresearch.org/files/Protocol_ActiveNeighborhoodChecklist.v2.pdf)