



in St Albans, Harpenden and the villages



Playing Out is a community project that enables residents to apply to close their street to through traffic up to 8 times a year for play and community building.

- It offers neighbours a chance to meet and build support networks.
- It gives children the opportunity to get fresh air and exercise.



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Your questions answered

Who is Playing Out for?

Residents of any street in St Albans District may apply to close their road for Playing Out (except bus routes). All neighbours must be consulted first. Playing Out sessions are for the residents of that street only, not for the general public. Playing Out is not just for children! All street residents are welcome to attend and get to know their neighbours.

What if I need to go somewhere?

Road closures are stewarded by volunteers from the street in order that residents and their visitors can still drive in and out. The road is only closed to through traffic. If you need to leave by car from within the closed area, please alert a steward.

How is Playing Out different from a street party?

Sessions are shorter, residents of the closed area can still have car access and the emphasis is on child-led free play and community building, rather than organised activities and food (though no one says no to tea and cake!).

Who is in charge of the children at a Playing Out session?

Parents are responsible for their own children at all times.

How can I get involved?

If Playing Out sessions have been planned in your street, why not volunteer as a steward in a high viz to direct resident cars? If Playing Out hasn't yet been organised for your street, chat to your neighbours and see if there is interest. Visit www.sustainablestalbans.org/playingout to find out more.

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