5. Plan new school buildings carefully

The majority of schools are close to busy roads, where air pollution is typically highest. Pollution concentrations tend to decay exponentially with distance from the road. Consequently, new school buildings should be strategically located away from main roads, where possible, but with safe walking passages between the school premises and main connecting roads. They should also be within walking distances of communities, to encourage walking and cycling and to minimise impacts of car emissions by parents/carers during school runs.