

Action Plan - Sustainable School Travel Strategy - 2008

As part of the Action Plan there will be close working relationships with colleagues within the Road Safety Team, Travel Plan Co-ordinator, Community Transport Team and Pupil & Student Support within Children Education and Social Care and Regeneration and Development Service areas, in partnership with Schools, Health and other relevant agencies.

	Actions	Responsible Officer
	1. Travel Planning/Safety School Travel Plans, ECM and Extended Schools, Travel Planning and Planning Control, Travel Plan Strategy Development and will strive to achieve:	
1.1	Achieve the national Department for Children Schools and Families (DCSF) target of all eligible schools to have an authorised school travel plan in place by 2010	Neil Ellison
1.2	Develop a long-term strategy to identify and implement methods of better integrating travel plan-related services.	
1.3	Implementation, through the travel plan process, and as appropriate opportunities arise, 'Safer Routes to school' supporting the School Travel Plans delivery	
1.4	Introduction of school safety zones, which may include 20 mph speed limit, at appropriate schools across the Borough	
1.5	Roll out a programme of education, training and publicity in support of infrastructure improvements for vulnerable users, thus increasing the attractiveness of more sustainable alternatives to the private car	
1.6	Development of long-term strategy to identify and implement methods of better integrating travel plan-related services	Rob Farnham

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<p>2. Travel Plans/Safety/Modal Shift</p> <p>School Travel Planning, 'Safer Routes to School', 20mph zones, Danger, and perceptions of danger, vulnerable road users, car journeys, car sharing and walking and cycling improvements</p>	
<p>2.1 Continue to develop a programme of education and publicity which will ensure that all schools are aware of the risks Related to vulnerable road users.</p> <p>2.2 Continue to offer a full pedestrian training and cycle training service (as detailed in the Road Safety Strategy) in order to Increase pupils' confidence in making sustainable transport choices.</p> <p>2.2 Increase levels of walking and cycling to school across the Borough using a combination of travel plan-led infrastructure improvements and a programme of education, training and promotion over the lifetime of this strategy.</p> <p>2.3 Continue to support 'Bike Week', 'Walk to school Week', and other sustainable transport campaigns</p> <p>2.4 Develop a programme of safeguarding children education and training for all providers through links with Stockton on Tees Local Safeguarding Children Board</p>	<p>Neil Ellison</p> <p>Pauline Beall</p>

<p>3. Sustainability</p> <p>Issues:- National and Local Campaigns, Carbon reduction and Fuel Efficient Driving</p>	
<p>3.1 Implement a rolling programme of parking enforcement team visits to schools to reduce levels of illegal and inconsiderate parking at the school gate and in the vicinity, visiting a minimum of five sites per term.</p> <p>3.2 Work with schools to encourage take up of car sharing, and help identify measures to increase levels of walking/cycling</p> <p>3.2 Support alternative parking areas for schools, concentrating primarily on Travel Plan schools, through the use of walking Buses and 'park and stride' projects. Where feasible, these will allow parents to part away from the school gate and Make part of their journey on foot.</p>	<p>Neil Ellison/ Nigel Gibb</p> <p>Neil Ellison</p> <p>Neil Eillison</p>

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4. Health Issues: Increase fitness across the Borough and Develop Health Partnerships	
4.1 Roll out a focused programme of education, training and publicity to increase levels of awareness and fitness In the school population and of the Borough. The main areas being walking and cycling to school. 4.2 Continue to strength partnership links with Primary Care Trusts (PCTs) and Healthy Schools.	Neil Ellison Neil Ellison/ Khalid Azam

5. Home to School Transport Issues: Reduction in the use of private cars for the 'school/college run', more efficient fuel consumption, reduction of harmful emissions and more efficient routing of vehicles on Community Transport (CT) vehicles used for Home to School Transport.	
5.1 Through the Pathfinder Partnership will work towards more effective and efficient bus travel for college students 5.2 Introduction of 'Eco-Driving' training scheme for Community Transport Service to reduce fuel consumption 5.3 Introduce into the Community Transport Fleet, vehicles meeting the 'Euro IV' Standard for particulate and other harmful emissions 5.4 Make investigations into the use of Bio Diesel in vehicles within the Community Transport Fleet 5.5 Introduction of new computer software to route vehicles more efficiently therefore reducing mileage and petrol consumption.	John Kavanagh/ Betty Johns Neil Ellison Elizabeth Bird Elizabeth Bird Elizabeth Bird Elizabeth Bird