

Reducing Traffic Congestion in York (topic no. 120)**Remit****Aim**

To understand what contribution LTP2 makes to the reduction of the anticipated 7% rise in traffic and what can be done to eliminate the air quality hotspots and the impact of the forecasted traffic increase on secondary routes.

Objectives

The above aim to be achieved through the following objectives:

- To identify improvements to current and future congestion and air quality problems.
- To investigate issues around the 5 poor air quality 'hot spots' identified in LTP2 and other Council documents.
- To seek quick solutions to immediate problems rather than long term strategies, eg. School term time solutions, inclement weather difficulties or particular events (ie. Caravan show on Knavesmire)
- To promote the use of environmentally viable and financially practical alternative methods of transport.

Scope

1. Consultation with residents – including disadvantaged groups, older and younger people – of the effects of traffic on people's lives.
2. To research good practice in other Authorities.
3. To work with Transport Unit on projects to promote modal shift.

Officer and partner involvement

Other Local Authorities and Europe (Denmark)

Colleagues in Transport Planning

York Cycling groups

Bus Company (Quality Bus Partnership)

Transport 2000

Motoring organisations

York Environmental Forum – Air Pollution

Consultees

Officers from City Strategy

Expert witnesses to be identified and/or co-opted by Ad-Hoc Sub-Committee

Timescale

Medium term – estimated to be 3-6 months, in accordance with new scrutiny procedures.

Constraints

Resources

Scrutiny Officer support and involvement of officers in City Strategy, as well as time of any co-opted experts.