

**CRITERIA FOR THE PROVISION OF TRANSPORT
HASS**

The provision/funding for transport should **only** be considered if the client has needs categorised in accordance with the Council’s eligibility criteria and FACS.

The provision/funding of transport is designated a **desirable** service and is **not** therefore guaranteed as part of a care package.

Transport is provided to enable clients to access a range of community activities/respite and where parents/carers are unable to provide transport under their volition.

Transport should **not** be offered as an incentive to take up a care package.

The transport team will provide the most appropriate and cost effective mode of transport available when responding to requests for transport as detailed in the OUTCOMES column below.

| <p>Desirable Standards (what services do we provide transport for)</p> | <p>Criteria/Test (The following considerations need to be taken into account and if the criteria below can be applied then alternative transport arrangements should be made)</p> | <p>Outcomes (if transport is granted the transport team will make the following considerations)</p> |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ability to access day services/activities ▪ Ability to access recognised care management assessed respite services | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ If customer/customer’s family have a mobility vehicle then the customer/customer’s family/carer should be encouraged to use the vehicle and where appropriate transport should NOT be provided/funded ▪ Where care packages are commissioned directly by the authority and when the customer is in receipt of higher rate mobility allowance/a mobility vehicle, then the care package should be designed to fully utilise the allowance/mobility vehicle ▪ If the there is an appropriate public transport route(s) which the customer has the ability to use individually or be chaperoned on then transport should NOT be provided/funded ▪ If customer is able to undertake independent travel training then the client should be placed on the relevant managed training package (YILTS). A full review of progress will take place after an appropriate period. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Consider utilising the internal fleet vehicles ▪ Is there another taxi already travelling to the destination and can the client travel with other passengers ▪ Is the use of a pool car appropriate/available ▪ Is the journey under 1 mile and is it appropriate to employ a ‘walking escort’/chaperone |
| <p>Review to be conducted after</p> | <p>3 months 6 months 9 months 12 months</p> | |

Criteria for the provision of discretionary transport for the Learning, Culture and Children's Services Directorate

| Statutory Standards (what services do we provide transport for) | Criteria/Test (when should transport be granted as part of the overall service provision) | Outcomes (if transport is granted the following considerations should be made) | | |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to access mainstream or special School • Ability to attend an alternative education establishment to access appropriate education e.g. PRU • Ability to access respite/sharing care services • Ability to attend contact visits • Ability to attend an educational establishment which offers post 16 education • Ability to attend an appropriate activity/setting to support the child/young persons emotional/social wellbeing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does the child have a special educational need and how does this impact on the child's ability to attend the school or appropriate educational establishment • For a child attending their appropriate (catchment) school do they live more than 2 miles from the school (primary) or 3 miles (secondary) • What is the age of the pupil and how does this impact upon the health and safety risk versus the need to promote inclusion and independence • Is the pupil appropriate to undertake independent travel training • What is the parents/carers situation and what is their ability to assist in transporting the young person. • What importance is placed on providing continuity at the time of the request, and what are the implications on the young person | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider utilising the internal fleet vehicles • Provide a seat on an existing contracted vehicle • Provide a travel pass for use on public transport • Access to the YILTS training package if appropriate • Does the council centre have the use of a pool car • Is it appropriate to provide a walking escort • Provide mileage expenses for the parent/carer to use their own vehicle • Refund travel expenses according to the cheapest available public transport equivalent • Provide voucher to purchase bike and access to appropriate training. | | |
| Review to be conducted after | 3 months | 6 months | 9 months | 12 months |