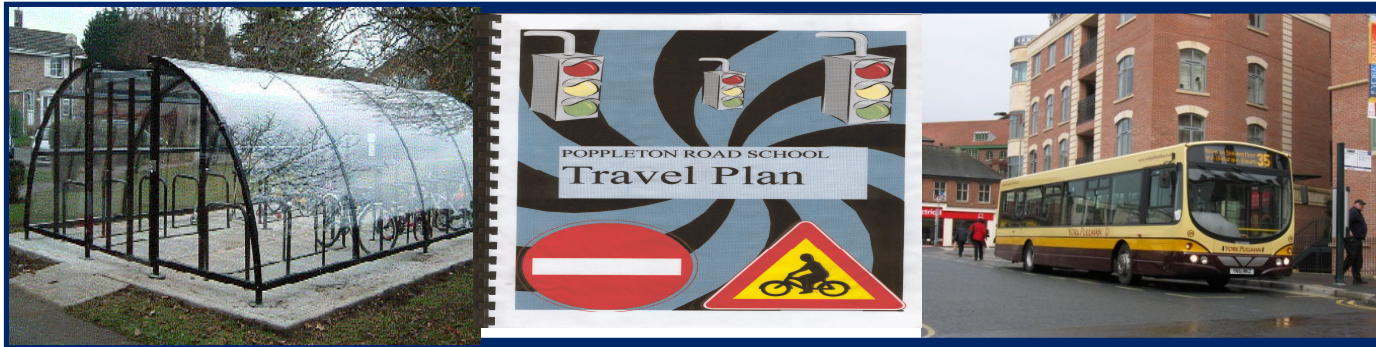


School Travel Plans & Safe Routes to School

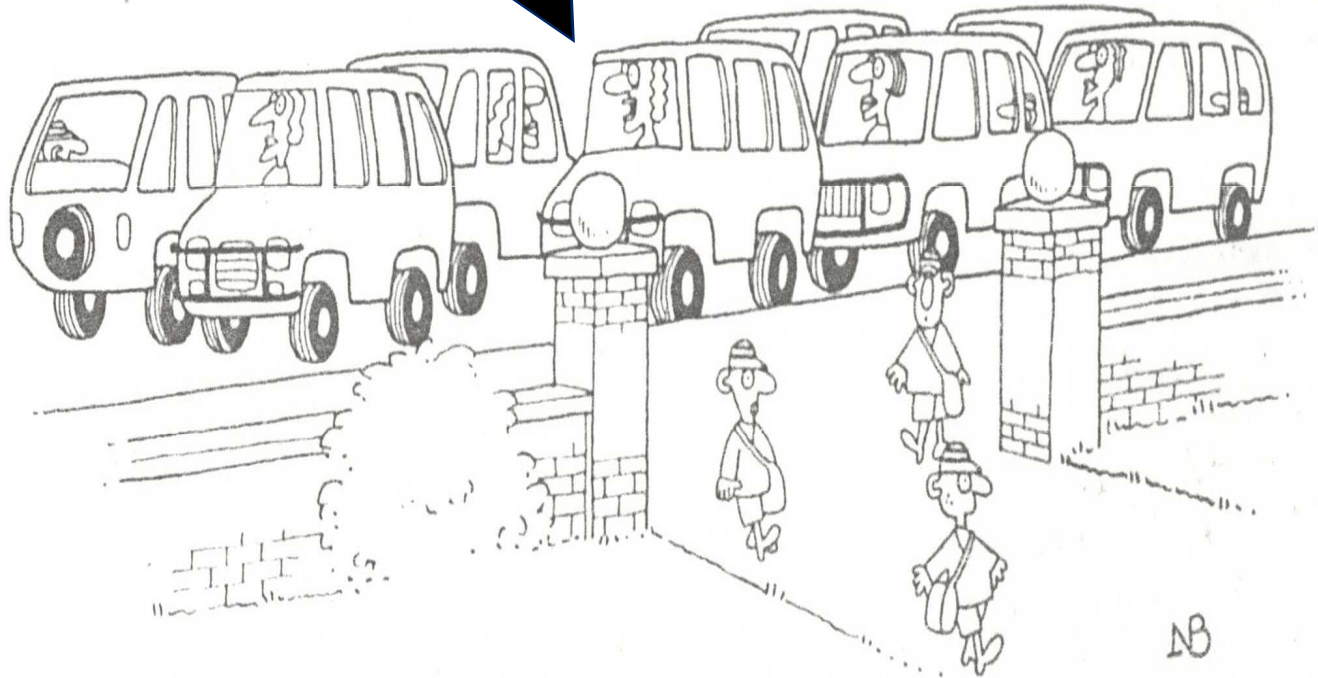
Presentation to the Economic & City
Development Overview & Scrutiny
Committee



Introductions & Agenda

- **Overview & historic context**
- **School Travel Plans**
- **Safe Routes to School**
- **Summary**
- **Questions**

“The school run’s a bind but it really isn’t safe to let them walk with all this traffic on the road”



School Travel Plans

‘We want local education and transport authorities to develop a joint strategic approach to school travel issues and to reduce car dependency for journeys to school in their area. School travel plans will be the key strategies for achieving this and we want authorities to work with schools or groups of schools to develop plans to meet local circumstances. Our objective is that all schools should have active travel plans before the end of the decade.’ (p48, Travelling to School – A good practice guide, 2003)

- Government target for Local Authorities – deliver 100% travel plans by March 2010



School Travel Objectives

- The environment – tackling congestion and climate change
- Safety – tackling casualty rates
- Health and well being – tackling obesity

School Travel Resources

- Engineering – over recent years
- Travel Plans – staff, etc
- Cycle City – key driver at present

School Travel Plans

What are they?

- Written Document
- Package of measures to improve safety on journey to school
- Consults with whole school community
- Identifies sustainable transport solutions

Role of the School Travel Advisor

- New STP's
- Review STP's e.g. for planning purposes
- Promotes sustainable travel to school
- Links with other CYC teams.



Key Drivers

- CYC Targets
- Planning requirements
- Healthy Schools
- Ad hoc enquiries including parking issues

Key Initiatives

- Walk To School Week
- Walking Buses
- Park and Stride
- Road Safety Initiatives
- Cycling City
 - Bike It
 - Beauty and the Bike
 - Events



Raising the profile





Travel Plan Outputs

Mode of Travel

- Effect on mode of travel
- Monitored by Census data
 - Annual Collection
 - Monitor *usual* mode
- Many of York's School Travel Plans written prior to 2007

Travel Plans

Looking Forward 2010-11

- Identify schools with potential for Mode Shift – 2010/11
- Launch Walk Once a Week (WOW)
- Further Cycle City events



Travel Plan Outputs

School Safety Schemes

- Used to identify hard and soft measures
- Soft measures mentioned previously
- Engineering identify hard (physical) measures

School Safety Schemes

- Safe Routes to School
- School Safety Zones
- School Cycle Parking

Safe Routes to School (SRTS)

Typical SRTS measures include:

- Crossings
- Improved footways
- Cycle routes
- Road safety measures



School Safety Zones (SSZ)

A SSZ covers the main entrances to a School and generally includes:

- Traffic calming (usually speed tables and speed cushions)
- Improved crossing facilities
- Parking controls
- A 20 mph speed limit.



School Cycle Parking

- Programme of installations started in 2001
- Total of 2240 spaces in 53 schools
- Some schools already had provision or cycle parking has been provided as part of planning conditions.



History of School Safety Schemes in York

- The first programme of School Safety Schemes started in 1999 and focused on SRTS initiatives for all York Secondary Schools.
- Followed by the introduction of SSZ outside all 60 of York's Primary School's which was completed in 2006.



History of School Safety Schemes in York

- Reviews of many of the original safety zones have also been undertaken.
- With road safety much improved by slower vehicle speeds directly outside schools, the focus then shifted to SRTS for Primary Schools.

School Safety Programme

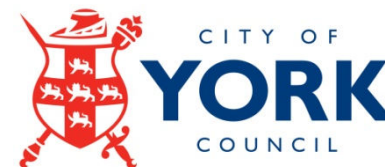
2009/10

Scheme Ref	09/10 City Strategy Capital Programme	Proposed Budget (LTP)	Scheme Type	Comments
		£1000s		
School Schemes				
SR01/07	Carr Infants & Juniors SRS	17.00	Scheme	Completion of 2008/09 scheme
SR04/08	Wigginton Primary SRS	11.00	Scheme	Costs of 2008/09 scheme completed in early 2009/10
SR19/05	Clifton Without SRS	11.00	Scheme	Costs of 2008/09 scheme completed in early 2009/10
SR10/09	Clifton with Rawcliffe SRS	18.00	Scheme	Pedestrian improvements at Eastholme Dr/ Byron Dr jct
SR20/05	Dringhouses Primary SRS	5.00	Scheme	Footway buildout at crossing point on Cherry Lane
SR01/09	Haxby Road Primary SRS	2.00	Study	Feasibility work on new crossing facilities
SR02/09	Hempland Primary SRS	5.00	Study	Feasibility work on new crossing facilities & footpath improvements
SR03/09	Hob Moor SRS	20.00	Scheme	Improvements at school entrance for peds and cyclists
SR04/09	Naburn Primary SRS	2.00	Study	Feasibility work on safety improvements
SR05/09	Poppleton Ousebank Primary SRS	2.00	Study	Feasibility work on crossing point improvements
SR06/09	Ralph Butterfield Primary SRS	10.00	Scheme	Footpath to Park & Stride site
SR07/09	The Mount & Tregelles SRS	20.00	Scheme	Pedestrian crossing point improvements
SR05/08	Woodthorpe Primary SRS	40.00	Scheme	Review of Park & Stride and provision of new footpath
SR08/09	York High SRS	40.00	Scheme	Works at new entrance including new ped crossing
SR09/09	Heworth Primary SRS	2.00	Study	Feasibility work on safety improvements
N/A	Safety Audit Works	5.00	Scheme	Allocation for cost of safety audit works

School Safety Programme 2009/10

School Cycle Parking				
SR11/09	Acomb Primary Cycle Parking	7.00	Scheme	Installation of cycle parking at schools
SR12/09	Haxby Road Primary Cycle Parking	7.00	Scheme	
SR13/09	Ralph Butterfield Primary Cycle Parking	7.00	Scheme	
SR14/09	Hempland Primary Cycle Parking	7.00	Scheme	
SR15/09	Carr Infants Cycle Parking	7.00	Scheme	
SR16/09	Hob Moor Schools Cycle Parking	7.00	Scheme	
SR17/09	Scooter Parking - Various Locations	8.00	Scheme	Installation of scooter parking at schools across the city
School Schemes Programme Total		260.00		
Overprogramming		60.00		
Budget		200.00		

- Funding for highway improvements as part of planning conditions for new school builds or extensions



Safety audit / minor works

- Dropped kerbs / tactile paving
- Signs and road markings
- Guardrail
- Bollards



Maintenance issues

- Includes uneven footways, potholes, missing signs, overgrown vegetation, faulty street lights.
- If there is a SRTS scheme, we will try and rectify problems where possible.
- Regular highway maintenance inspections will pick up highway defects.

Maintenance issues

York Pride Action Line

- Anyone wishing to report a defect, should contact the York Pride Action Line.

 (01904) 551551

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Provisional School Safety Programme 2010/11

New initiatives may include:

- Heworth Primary SRTS – part time 20mph speed limit supported by dual message vehicle activated signs (VAS)



- Naburn Primary SRTS – remotely activated signs

School Safety Beyond 2010/11

- Dependent on priorities in Local Transport Plan 3 - April 2011 onwards (and the necessary funding)
- Based on the School Travel Advisors priority list of schools to be targeted (to be reported to Executive Member Decision Session)

School Travel Summary

- A lot of work completed. A lot still to do...
- Priorities for 2010/11
- Funding ceases for travel planning March 2011 – does the work stop there?

Thank you for listening!

Questions?