

WILTSHIRE LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN 2006/07 – 2010/11

PEWSEY COMMUNITY AREA CONSULTATION

SUMMARY REPORT

Introduction

To assist the County Council in producing its second Local Transport Plan (LTP), a series of public consultation events were held during September and October 2004 in each of Wiltshire's Community Areas.

Invitations were sent to a variety of key contacts and organisations through Wiltshire's network of Community Planners. In addition, notices were sent to all libraries, parish and town councils and placed in the Wiltshire Times, the Gazette and Herald, and the Salisbury Journal.

The Pewsey Community Area consultation event took place at the Bouverie Hall, Pewsey, on 28th September 2004. A total of 11 people attended the event (see Appendix A).

This summary report seeks to set-out the context and results of the consultation event. It has been sent to all participants and placed on the County Council's website.

Purpose of Event

The purpose of the LTP Community Area consultation events was to provide the opportunity for communities and other key organisations to give their views on the local transport issues likely to face them in the period to 2011, and to explore and identify local priorities and areas of concern.

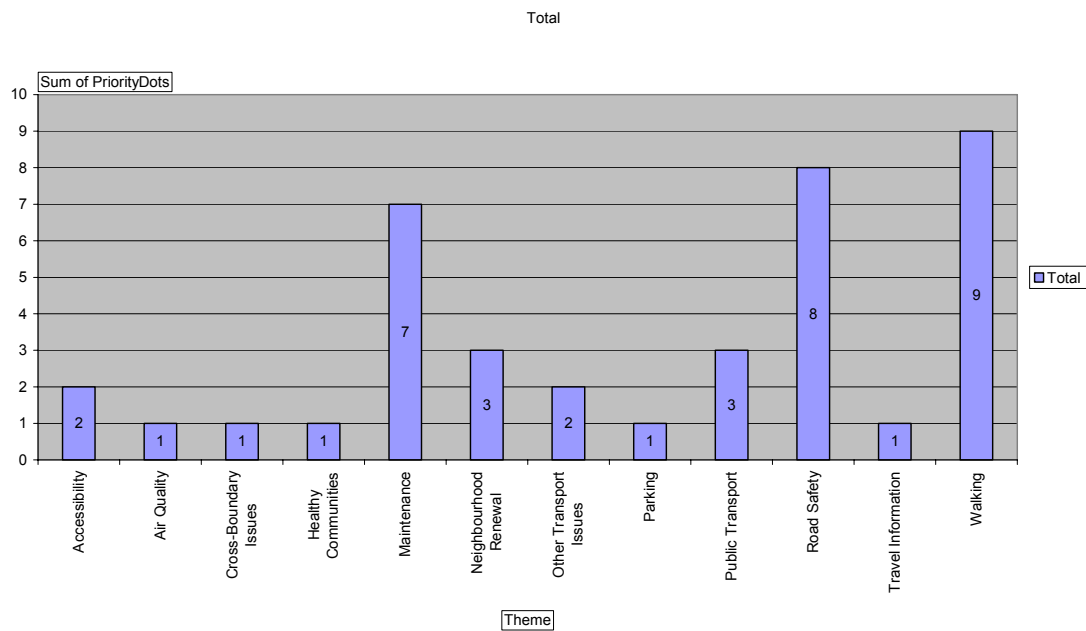
The event also provided the opportunity for County Council officers to explain more fully the current national and regional transport policy and funding context, and set-out what has been achieved by the first Wiltshire LTP.

Format of Event

Following a short introductory presentation, participants discussed and recorded their local transport issues and concerns in two groups with County Council officers acting as facilitators. The issues and concerns raised were then categorised by each group into broad LTP themes before being prioritised by each participant (four stickers were given to each participant in order to identify their respective priorities).

Results

The outcome of the categorisation and prioritisation process is given below:



From the above chart it is clear that the top priorities were:

- Walking;
- Road Safety; and,
- Maintenance.

A wide range of other issues were also identified as priorities by the participants.

In recognition that the issues and concerns raised by participants may cross a number of different themes, all the comments, along with the group, categorisation and prioritisation details, are shown in Appendix B. From this, the following main concerns emerge:

- A poorly defined network of footways leading to specific problems with pedestrian crossings and pedestrian access to the railway station;
- Road safety issues generally relate to the lack of facilities for pedestrians; and,
- Maintenance issues are more general with specific comments relating to particular areas. Again, some of these issues relate to walking such as the collapsed bank blocking the footway on Wilcot Road Hill.

Next Stages

To complement the Community Area consultations, meetings are to be held with a variety of organisations such as business and trade interests, transport providers, transport interest groups and voluntary organisations.

In line with the development of a draft second Wiltshire LTP, it is proposed that a further round of community and stakeholder consultation events will be held during the Spring of 2005.

Appendix A

Title	Forename	Surname	Organisation
	Peter	Deck	PPC
	Pat	Keers	PPC
Mr	Brian	Metters	Wootton Rivers PC
Mr	Mike	Newton	
	Clare	Cowdrey	KDC
Mr	Bob	King	Wilcot Huish PC
Cllr	Anne	Hayhoe	KDC
	Alex	Carder	Pewsey PC
	Colin	Lampard	Pewsey PC
	Mike	Swindells	WILCOT
	John	Jackson	SAWTAG

Appendix B

Theme	Comment	Priority Dots
Accessibility	Disabled/Buggies have difficulties on footpaths / pedestrian links within village	1
Accessibility	Public transport access to Swindon Great Western Hospital. No through tickets, no divert routes	1
Accessibility	A lack of parking at places such as hospitals and other services	0
Accessibility	Access to Swindon Hospital is poor without car.	0
Accessibility	Swindon Hospital bus access from south.	0
Air Quality	Who is responsible for emissions testing on roadside	1
Climate Change	Too many car journeys causing pollution	0
Cross-Boundary Issues	Lack of early trains to Taunton, Exeter etc.	1
Cross-Boundary Issues	Parking at Swindon Hospital	0
Cycling	Lack of connective cycleways	0
Freight	HGV's on Wilcot Rd from weight restrictions	0
Healthy Communities	Too many local car journeys	0
Healthy Communities	Linked walk and cycleways within the village	1
Maintenance	Poor road surfaces & Drains blocked, Salisbury Rd, Milton Rd	1
Maintenance	Roads liable to flooding, Gas Bow Hill / Fordbrook Ind Est	0
Maintenance	Lack of quality control of utilities reinstatement	1
Maintenance	Drains are not cleaned, causes flooding	0
Maintenance	Uncompleted scheme on B3087 from Ball corner R'bout to Little Ann.	2
Maintenance	Lack of quality in patching of potholes	1
Maintenance	Drainage at Wootton Rivers railway bridge, deep flooding occurs here.	0
Maintenance	Wilcot Rd Hill, no maintenance on fallen bank for past 2 years. Loss of 1 metre of road width with no footway.	2
Neighbourhood Renewal	Traffic discouraging shopping in Pewsey Centre	2
Neighbourhood Renewal	Vehicular conflict on Wilcot Rd	1
Other Transport Issues	Water transport - Axford abstraction takes too much water from the Kennet Canal	1
Other Transport Issues	Designing in the Quiet Lanes area, removal of the signs is misguided	0
Other Transport Issues	Liaison with police traffic in Salisbury is poor, need to 'Bridge Build'	0
Other Transport Issues	Wilcot Rd proposed one way scheme. Traffic police need to confirm their position on it	1

Theme	Comment	Priority Dots
Parking	Inappropriate car parking, free parking in town used by rail commuters	1
Public Transport	High rail prices	1
Public Transport	Low use of rail transport	1
Public Transport	Lack of rail network between Swindon and Salisbury connecting market towns	1
Public Transport	Lack of public transport to vital services	0
Road Safety	No footpath on Milton Rd. Walking from Dursden Lane turning into town	1
Road Safety	No footpath on Wilcot Rd, unsafe for pedestrians.	0
Road Safety	Lack of crossing on Wilcot Rd, Bail Rd and North St	1
Road Safety	No safe crossing at Broomcroft Rd and the Londis shop	1
Road Safety	High St Co-op junction in Pewsey, Dangerous junction.	0
Road Safety	Burbage Pewsey Rd, Narrow and poor surface	1
Road Safety	Road layout outside Co-op is wrong and is dangerous for pedestrians	0
Road Safety	Quiet Lanes, speed limits and other legislation needs more enforcement	0
Road Safety	Junction Wilcot Rd /A345, visibility severely impeded by hedge allowed to grow over many years.	1
Road Safety	Wilcot Rd traffic management scheme A345 - no pavement and parking up one side of the road reducing capacity	3
Travel Information	Poor information on routes from Wigglybus call centre	0
Travel Information	Wigglybus lack of marketing of the service available.	1
Walking	Lack of connected network of footways	3
Walking	No footpath link from North St to the railway	1
Walking	Pavement does not continue all the way to the railway station - 50 metres of pavement missing on both sides of the road.	3
Walking	Pedestrian crossing in River St is always flooding.	0
Walking	Pewsey Wharf Road too narrow to allow pedestrians to cross it safely.	2
Walking	Pewsey rail bridge too narrow for pedestrians.	0