

WILTSHIRE LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN 2006/07 – 2010/11

SALISBURY 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 Salisbury Community Area consultation event took place at the City Hall, Salisbury on 4th October 2004. A total of 16 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.

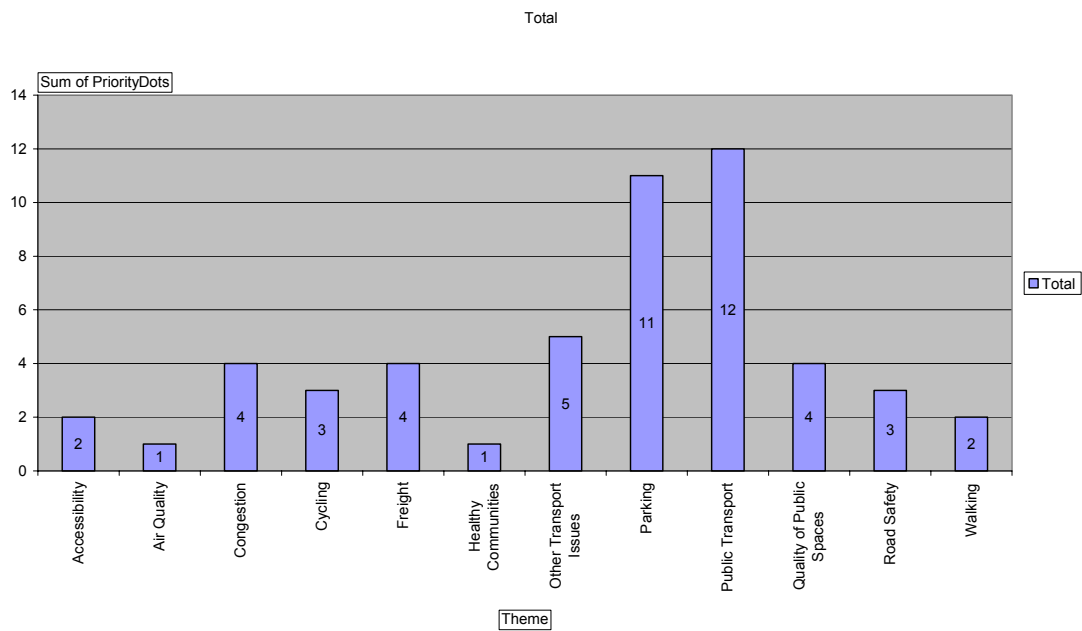
The event also provided the opportunity for County Council officers to explain more fully the current national and regional transport policy and funding context, and set-out what has been achieved by the first Wiltshire LTP.

Format of Event

Following a short introductory presentation, participants discussed and recorded their local transport issues and concerns in three 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:

- Public transport;
- Parking; and,
- Other transport issues.

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:

- Salisbury's bus service is generally irregular, infrequent and increasingly expensive. Also the evening services are poor.
- Market Square currently poses a threat to non-car users as it isn't pedestrianised.
- There is a general lack of car parking at the railway station with all the spaces often taken early in the morning.

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
	Naomi	Piner	WCC
	Benghi	Goehl	Salisbury Community Cars
	Lindsey	Brown	City Centre Management
Mrs	John	Withers	Chalke Valley Link scheme
	Daniel		Winterbourne Council
	Margaret	Wilmott	Salisbury T2000
	Claire	Mawson	SDC - Economic Development
Mr	Colin	Froude	BFRA
	Angela	Macquban	
Mr	John	Jackson	SAWTAG
Mr	Barry	Coombs	Salisbury District Community Transport
Mr	Ralph	Bryder	
Mr	William	Snow	WCC
Mr	John	Snow	
Mrs	Shelia	Porter	CPRE
	M	Motram	

Appendix B

Theme	Comment	Priority Dots
Accessibility	Access to Churchfields	1
Accessibility	Lack of access between the city centre and Porton Down - will be future expansion.	0
Accessibility	Insufficient buses to the leisure centre	0
Accessibility	Cycle access to and from Salisbury is poor for daily commuting from places such as Boscombe Down, Porton, and Winterslow.	1
Air Quality	New Canal Rd at 5pm	0
Air Quality	Implementation of the Salisbury Transport Plan will result in pollution targets being missed.	1
Air Quality	Short term car parking spaces in the City Centre leads to increases in traffic movements and thus decreases the air quality	0
Climate Change	Lack of Government policy and action on this topic.	0
Community Safety and Crime	Anti-social behaviour at the Guildhall Square and Arts Centre area.	0
Community Safety and Crime	St Mark's Subway is not safe after dark - anti-social behaviour and drinking problems.	0
Community Safety and Crime	Need more cycling proficiency training courses to be held.	0
Community Safety and Crime	Lack of visible policing	0
Congestion	Congestion on Southampton Road	1
Congestion	Coombe Road - Congestion during the morning peak.	0
Congestion	Southampton Road (A36) suffers from congestion especially during shopping hours.	1
Congestion	Many cars in the City Centre with single occupancy contributing to congestion.	2
Congestion	School run traffic blocking the A30 especially in the morning waiting to turn at the lights on the London Road/Barrington Road junction.	0
Congestion	A338 traffic builds up from the dual carriageway into Salisbury.	0
Cross-Boundary Issues	Poor maintenance of roads in Wiltshire compared to the counties that border it.	0
Cross-Boundary Issues	A303 closures causes seizure of traffic movements in Salisbury right back to the M3.	0
Cycling	Lack of segregated cycle lanes and a fully linked up cycle network.	0
Cycling	Conflicts between HGV's and cyclists on Churchfields Road and South Western Road.	0
Cycling	Cycling to and from Alderbury - major problems crossing the A36 and sometimes need to use the pavement which is narrow and dangerous.	1
Cycling	Difficulty cycling and using train services.	0
Cycling	London Road has no signed cycle path.	0
Cycling	No involvement from schools in terms of alternative transport especially cycling.	0

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Cycling	No adequate signing for cyclists wishing to ride between the City Centre and the hospital.	0
Cycling	No legal way cyclists can cross the ring road.	0
Cycling	No safe access for cyclists to get from St Mark's roundabout to the Bishopdown Laverstock path	0
Cycling	Better link for cyclists required between Lower Bemerton to Harnham.	0
Cycling	No covered cycle parking in City Centre.	0
Cycling	No cycleway or path on Netherhampton Road	0
Cycling	Cycling to Wilton from Salisbury is very dangerous especially at the A3094/A36 roundabout and the A36/A30 roundabout.	0
Cycling	General lack of cycle paths.	1
Cycling	Town path currently too narrow for dual use.	0
Cycling	Access from Wilton to Salisbury for cyclists needs improving.	0
Cycling	Poor access for cyclists from Petersfinger to Salisbury City Centre	0
Cycling	Cycle tracks on Skew Bridge are not linked to the rest of the network.	0
Cycling	Not enough cycle contra-flows	0
Cycling	Poorly positioned cycle parking at rail station.	0
Cycling	All cyclists need training, especially those 12 years old and under.	1
Freight	Volume of HGV's	2
Freight	Through movement of HGV's: Bristol to Southampton	0
Freight	HGV's and car dealers are currently using roads around the Churchfields area - these need to be re-routed.	2
Freight	HGV's loading and unloading in the City Centre causing problems for pedestrians, cyclists and cause congestion.	0
Healthy Communities	Too many short journeys are being made by car. For instance those travelling from Bemerton to the City Centre	1
Maintenance	Lack of maintenance of roads and pavements in the City Centre.	0
Maintenance	Poor maintenance on the A338 from Hampshire.	0
Maintenance	Continuous patching of the roads is not for HGV traffic.	0
Maintenance	Poor maintenance on Fisherton Street and Lower Road at Lower Bemerton.	0
Noise	Noise in the city centre	0
Noise	Loud car sound systems, exhausts and motorbikes.	0
Other Transport Issues	Too much traffic at Stonehenge and associated conservation areas.	1
Other Transport Issues	Poor transport between New Countess and Stonehenge	1
Other Transport Issues	Traffic jumping the red light at traffic lights on Downton Road. This needs enforcing.	0

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Other Transport Issues	Difficulty entering and exiting the leisure centre on the A345	1
Other Transport Issues	Currently the park and ride sites don't allow non-car users the opportunity to use the sites	0
Other Transport Issues	Currently the land use of Churchfields is incorrect. Instead of industrial purposes which generate HGV traffic, it should be used for leisure purposes.	2
Parking	Lack of car parking at the station - often the spaces are taken early in the morning.	2
Parking	Poor quality of City Centre car parks - the ticket machines are often broken.	0
Parking	Parking problems at Churchfields Trading Estate. There are no designated areas.	1
Parking	Lack of parking spaces in the centre of Salisbury after some were lost.	0
Parking	Lack of parking in central car park.	1
Parking	Lack of access to the central car park from the ring road.	1
Parking	No traffic management measures or enforcement for parking at schools during peak times.	1
Parking	Too much parking available in Salisbury now that the park and ride sites have been introduced.	1
Parking	Commuters and shoppers parking in residential roads rather than using central car parks. Residential roads where this is occurring include Britford Lane and Stratford Road.	0
Parking	Parking on Churchfields causing congestion.	0
Parking	Clear market traders vans from Market Square on market day during the trading part of the day, except those that trade from their vans.	1
Parking	Salisbury District Council using funds gained from parking to fund the Park and Ride sites. This undermines the strategy to reduce cars in the City Centre.	1
Parking	Parking difficulties for those people on the Link scheme. There is a lack of pick up and drop off points at Odstock, Centre Health Clinic, GP practices, opticians.	2
Public Transport	Late night transport provision - No public transport late at night and large queues for taxis late at night.	2
Public Transport	Better facilities needed at the bus station.	0
Public Transport	Poor or no Sunday service, which affects local retailers recruiting and retaining staff	0
Public Transport	Public transport provision on Downton Road corridor - can a park and ride stop be provided.	0
Public Transport	Buses to Churchfields.	0
Public Transport	Operating hours of Park and Ride schemes need to be extended.	0
Public Transport	Britford Park and Ride doesn't operate via the hospital.	0

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Public Transport	Public transport fares are too high and there is a lack of suitable routes and frequencies.	2
Public Transport	Lack of through routes to the hospital. Destination currently requires changes to be made at bus stops in the City Centre	0
Public Transport	No bus from the train station to the City Centre.	1
Public Transport	No bus service to Churchfields.	1
Public Transport	Bus use in Salisbury is too expensive	0
Public Transport	A better design is required for parking at the bus interchange at New Canal. The current situation makes it difficult for disabled drivers to park.	0
Public Transport	Lack of integration between bus and rail. At present only a few buses stop near the rail station.	1
Public Transport	Large buses in use around Salisbury are often empty. There are currently no small buses which would run more frequently and be more environmentally friendly.	0
Public Transport	Bus service is generally irregular, infrequent and increasingly expensive. Also the evening services are poor.	4
Public Transport	Poor bus interchange at Salisbury rail station.	0
Public Transport	Poor access for cyclists on buses and trains.	1
Public Transport	Lack of evening buses for some areas of Salisbury.	0
Public Transport	Park and Ride can undermine local bus services. It is cheaper to drive to a Park and Ride site and use that bus than to catch one in the City Centre.	0
Quality of Public Spaces	Market Square - This area isn't pedestrianised but would improve quality of public space.	3
Quality of Public Spaces	Over signage on the A338 at Nunton.	0
Quality of Public Spaces	Too much public space currently given over to car parking. Market Square should be a public open space and not a car park.	1
Road Safety	Speeding on St Clement's Way, Bishopdown Farm.	0
Road Safety	Brown Street, use of parking spaces to reduce speed of traffic.	0
Road Safety	Congestion outside schools causing a road safety issue.	0
Road Safety	On street parking adversely affects the visibility of cars exiting Brown Street car park.	0
Road Safety	Churchfields and Cherry Orchard Lane - Narrow lanes and parked cars create difficulties for pedestrians.	1
Road Safety	Cherry Orchard junction with Churchfields Road. Cars parking close to the junction are causing problems with visibility and lorries turning movements.	1
Road Safety	Crossing the A360 is dangerous for pedestrians due to the volume and speed of the traffic.	0
Road Safety	Speed of traffic on Stratford Road is too high.	0

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Road Safety	Speed of traffic on Wilton Road relative to cyclists and pedestrians makes it dangerous to walk and cycle along.	0
Road Safety	Motorcyclists treat the roads as race tracks.	1
Social Exclusion	Lack of car clubs	0
Travel Information	Lack of signs to the City Centre for bus and train passengers.	0
Walking	Problems crossing the road at Catherine Street / Milford Street and New Canal crossroads.	1
Walking	Lack of pedestrian crossing on Churchfields Road	0
Walking	Lack of pedestrian facilities at Quidhampton, Lower Road and Churchfields Road.	0
Walking	Street signs are often too low causing problems for the visually impaired	1
Walking	Parts of Lower Road in Bemerton have no pavement	0
Walking	When walking to the station in Bemerton pedestrians need to cross the road at several points along Churchfields Road to remain on the pavement.	0
Walking	When walking from Lower Bemerton to Quidhampton pedestrians need to cross the road at several points along Churchfields Road to remain on the pavement.	0
Walking	Access to Bemerton Village Primary School is difficult for pedestrians and wheelchair users.	0
Walking	Lack of signs and pedestrian crossings from the rail station to the City Centre via Mill Road	0