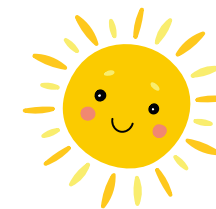


Active Travel Option Assessment Process



Priorities for the second Active Travel Strategy

All ideas gathered throughout the Active Travel Discussion will be looked at to see how well they fit within the Council's Active Travel Option Assessment Process. This process includes gauging how deliverable/feasible the option would be and assessing it against the priorities for active travel in delivering the objectives of the Local Transport Strategy 2020-2025. The objectives of the Local Transport Strategy are the foundations for all transport projects and policies in East Dunbartonshire. These objectives are applicable across all modes so a number of draft priorities specific to active travel have been developed for the second Active Travel Strategy and are set out below.

Local Transport Strategy Transport Planning Objectives	Priorities for Active Travel
 <p>1 Increase modal shift towards more sustainable modes of travel for both travel to work/study and leisure trips</p>	<p>1. Provide safe and easy access to everyday places</p> <p>2. Improve integration between active travel and public transport</p>
 <p>2 Reduce inequality by providing high quality access for all</p>	<p>3. Empower and encourage all groups of people to walk, cycle and wheel more</p>
 <p>3 Reduce emissions through reduced vehicle mileage in East Dunbartonshire</p>	<p>4. Improve active travel opportunities to and through Air Quality Management Areas</p>
 <p>4 Facilitate sustainable economic growth by improving connections across our boundaries and between our communities</p>	<p>5. Make East Dunbartonshire an attractive place for active travel to generate more sustainable business for the local economy</p>
 <p>5 Improve health by increasing walking and cycling rates</p>	<p>6. Improve physical health, mental health and overall wellbeing by providing better opportunities for walking, cycling and wheeling for leisure and exercise purposes, including enhanced access to areas of greenspace</p>
 <p>6 Improve safety on all modes of transport</p>	<p>7. Ensure vulnerable road users, including those walking, cycling and wheeling, are safer on East Dunbartonshire's road network</p> <p>8. Ensure surfaces are of a high standard so appropriate paths and routes can be safely accessed and enjoyed by all</p>



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The Council is encouraging as many ideas as possible to be submitted during the Active Travel Discussion, adding to suggestions already gathered through previous work on the Local Transport Strategy. However, it isn't reasonable to expect every idea to be delivered, so an assessment process has been developed to allow the Council to work through all the proposals and select the best options to be carried forward for delivery. The process is set out below.

Stage	Approach	Considerations
Stage 1 – Scope	Three simple tests to ensure the option is suitable to be included within the Active Travel Strategy. If the answer is 'Yes' to all three tests then the option progresses to Stage 2a.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Is the proposal in East Dunbartonshire? » Is it appropriate to be included in the ATS? » Is it likely to contribute to the priorities for active travel?
Stage 2a – Acceptability, Affordability and Feasibility	An assessment of potential likelihood of delivery risks across a number of categories. This stage removes options that have significant barriers to delivery.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Land ownership » Biodiversity, flooding, etc. » Funding/resources » Public and political acceptability » Maintenance
Stage 2b – Priorities for Active Travel	An assessment of how much the proposal is likely to contribute to the eight draft priorities for active travel.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » The eight priorities for active travel, as outlined on Page 1
Stage 3 – Detailed Assessment	A more detailed assessment of the proposal against the delivery considerations and priorities for active travel. Consultation with key delivery stakeholders as appropriate.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » All delivery considerations from Stage 2a and priorities from Stage 2b » Comparison against all considerations across options
Stage 4 – Option Selection	Based on the outcome of Stage 3 – select options to be included within a draft action plan for the second Active Travel Strategy.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » The results of detailed option assessment undertaken at Stage 3.



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