

Sustainable Transport - Village Plan #3

- No direct survey questions re. 'sustainable transport'.
- Re. Public Transport: survey >15% responses bus users. Appear to be non car users - assumed teenagers, elderly, school children.
- Majority of public transport comments linked to:
 - Need for additional bus routes to Harpenden (T29 especially station)
 - More bus shelters at boarding stops (T30)
 - More bus travel information
- Cycling: More specific responses related to provision of cycle tracks / paths:
 - Along Lemsford Rd to WGC and Hatfield (T26), along Harpenden Rd (T27), to Sandridge / St Albans (T29)

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- 'Environment' responses relating to sustainable transport / access / connections:
 - Footpaths need maintaining and improved (E6, E7)
 - Lack of safe cycling routes (E24)
 - Improve existing cycle paths (E25)
 - Walks publicised / tourist information (E29 – complete)?

Neighbourhood Plan 2015 – 2031 Vision

Sustainable Transport....? Sustainable access?

Sustainable connections? Sustainable movement ??

- 4 - Commerce:
 - ‘Outlying communities .. Remain connected to the village hub...’
 - High Street is commercial / village retail and business hub.
 - Tourism is increased
- 5 Transport:
 - Network of on / off road cycle paths & footpaths connecting adjacent towns, reducing vehicle use / pollution
 - Public transport is frequent, reliable and affordable
 - Park and Ride facilities for commuters to adjacent towns

...Linked to all aspects of Neighbourhood Planning ...

Partners and Policies?

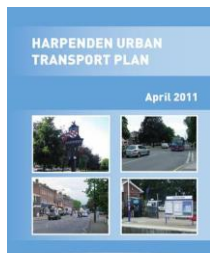
- Herts CC Local Transport Authority:
 - Local Transport Plan /County Wide Framework
 - Infrastructure Delivery Plan (LTP3-2031) specific transport schemes , both to meet transport needs and sustainability.
 - Main funder , utilising existing network, promoting reliable, usable, sustainable travel
- St.Albans DC:
 - Local Plan -2031: Strategic Objective 5: ‘Connected District – ease of movement’: providing a sustainable movement network, encourage use of public transport, walking & cycling, improve access to services, jobs & facilities – **particularly for rural settlements and for those without private vehicles.**
 - St Albans DC Rural Transport Vision –
 - District Walking Strategy, District Cycling Strategy:
 - NCN Route 57 connecting Harpenden & Wheathampstead.**
 - St Albans ‘Green Ring’
 - + UTP s for St Albans , UTP Harpenden
 - + Further UTPs and area plans for other areas of the District covering more villages**
- HCC & St.ADC - Buses and Community Transport – ‘Quality Network Partnership’ Network St Albans; working with train and bus operators.

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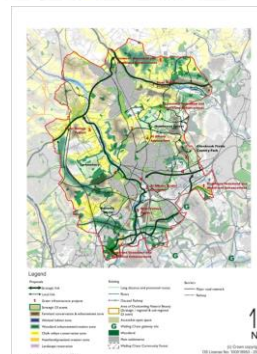
- StADC – Local Planning Authority:
- Delivery of new sustainable connections via new development?
- Development Travel Plans linked to enhancing sustainable transport objectives / projects?
- Contributions to sustainable travel facilities / community transport schemes?
- Specific requirements of new development ?
 - Including public / private charging points
 - Cycle storage integral within built development including residential
 - Access to / linking in with sustainable travel facilities?

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Local studies



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Sustainable transport users and needs

I don't have a car ... I want to walk with my children to school, push my baby in the buggy to the park along pleasant paths ... stay warm and dry waiting for the bus to St Alban's which is cheap and easy to get on and off with my baby and buggy... I want to walk to Harpenden to school, or cycle on paths away from traffic, or catch the bus which is reliable and cheap for me to use....

I want to leave my car at home and catch the commuter express bus from the High Street to Harpenden railway station to catch the 7.45 and pick up the community hopper service to get home in the evening.... Or use the new village electric pool car or cycle to the station in good weather on cycle paths... I want to cycle directly to WGC station to get to work and beat my personal best ... or take my bike on the bus on the return journey...

I want to be able to travel from my bungalow to the High Street on my mobility scooter easily and safely...or catch the bus with my scooter to WGC ... or take my scooter along the lovely riverside path way and meet people...

We want to cycle on our PC hire bikes to our allotment and then cycle or walk out into our beautiful countryside ...

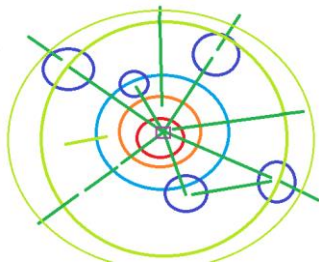
Sustainable Transport ? Connections? Movement ?

- Supports existing and **future** communities (all ages, profiles, needs, lifestyles) ACCESS & CHOICE = EQUALITY
- Reduces car use & dependence on cars – reduces congestion /Co2 emissions / fossil fuel / climate change
- Sustainable travel – the more users – the more attractive to use, part of chosen lifestyle, more users better maintenance and services ...?
- **Requirements:**
- Safe & attractive, clean & comfortable, accessible to all.
- Affordable . Frequent / responsive. Connecting to wider services / transport nodes & wider routes.
- Consistent good services, intelligent / communication of information.

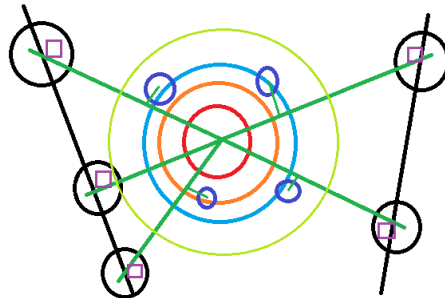
Returning to Village Plan Vision 2013 sustainable transport vision..

- Encourage residents to stay within community – accommodating all ages, incomes and supporting all travel needs.
- Work with partners to develop a sustainable movement network within and beyond the Parish encompassing public / community transport, walking and cycling
- Be responsive to climate change and reduce car use, the need for car ownership, the number of vehicles on our roads.
- Develop sustainable access for all to all facilities, parks and open spaces and wider countryside to promote healthy lifestyles, leisure and tourism.

Local routes / strategic routes?



Local sustainable movement connections ?



Strategic sustainable connections ?

