



Transport and Environment Committee

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Transport and Environment Committee

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Recent news	Background
<p>Community Policing Performance Update – January to March 2016</p> <p>The Police and Fire Scrutiny Committee on 10 June 2016 considered an update on the joint working activities and detailed performance carried out under the SLA with Police Scotland from January to March 2016.</p> <p>The Committee agreed to note the content of the report and to receive the next update in September 2016.</p> <p>The report was referred to the Health, Social Care and Housing Committee and the Transport and Environment Committee for information.</p>	<p><u>For further information:</u></p> <p>Contact: Michelle Miller, Head of Safer and Stronger Communities 0131 529 8520 Michelle.Miller@edinburgh.gov.uk</p>

Forthcoming Activities:

None

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<p>Public Bike Hire Scheme</p> <p>As part of the Council’s Outdoor Advertising Contract with JC Decaux (JCD), there is an option for JCD to provide a public bike hire scheme, ‘Bikes for the City’.</p> <p>‘Bikes for the City’ was investigated in June 2015 and a preliminary business plan was developed by JCD.</p> <p>However, following a review of predicted costs and revenues, it was clear that there would be a significant shortfall in both capital and revenue funding for the proposal.</p> <p>On 25 August 2015 the Transport and Environment Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - noted the option to use JC Decaux to provide ‘Bikes for the City’; and - approved further work to undertake market engagement with potential operators and to issue a tender for a public bike hire scheme. <p>Market engagement was subsequently undertaken with a number of potential operators and with other local authorities that currently operate similar schemes. This indicated that any bike hire scheme is likely to require a level of ongoing Council subsidy to cover operational and maintenance costs.</p> <p>Discussions have also taken place with the Council’s</p>	<p><u>For further information:</u></p> <p>Contact: Adrian O’Neill (Professional Officer, Road Safety and Active Travel, Transport) on 0131 469 3191 or adrian.oneill@edinburgh.gov.uk</p> <p>Contributes to Coalition Pledges P43; P45; P50 and Council Priorities CP2; CP8; CP11</p>

Corporate Procurement Service and Legal Services to identify possible options for procuring a scheme and assess any potential legal risks associated with these.

Abellio Scotrail are operating bike rental from Haymarket station under the badge of 'Bike&Go'. It is proposed to extend this facility to Waverley station. However, although this is a useful initiative, 'Bike&Go' is not an on-street public bike hire scheme of the sort being considered in this bulletin.

In a separate report to this Committee titled, 'Transport for Edinburgh – Governance', it is recommended that Committee agrees that Transport for Edinburgh (TfE) develops a plan to procure a city bike hire scheme at no/minimal cost to the Council.

Subject to approval of the above recommendation, TfE will therefore build upon the work undertaken to date, in partnership with JCD and other potential operators, to identify a preferred delivery mechanism.

Forthcoming Activities:

None

Recent news

Secure On-Street Cycle Parking

On 21 February 2012, the Transport, Infrastructure and Environment Committee approved a pilot project to trial the installation of covered, on-street secure cycle parking for use by residents.

The pilot, which trialled different types of cycle storage unit, was introduced in August 2014 at various locations around Edinburgh - Lonsdale Terrace, Warrender Park Terrace, South Oxford Street and Douglas Crescent.

The trial units have been made available to local residents on a contract basis and have been fully utilised since installation, with significant waiting lists at each site.

In addition to recording interest from residents who wish to take up any vacant spaces that become available in one of the existing 5 locations, the addresses from people who would like their street to be considered for new storage units should the scheme be extended are also being recorded. There are currently 90 addresses on this list from 129 separate requests.

A report on the outcomes of the pilot and a proposed future

Background

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Council Priorities CO22;
CO24; CO26 and Single
Outcome Agreements
SO2; SO4

Recent news	Background
<p>strategy for the roll-out of secure on-street cycle parking will be submitted to the Transport and Environment Committee on 1 November 2016.</p>	

Forthcoming Activities:

None

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<p>2015-16 Smarter Choices, Smarter Places Grant Funding</p> <p>£496,371 of Smarter Choices, Smarter Places (SCSP) grant funding was awarded to the Council for use in the financial year 2015-16 by Paths for All, with 50% match funding required from the Council, for a programme of behaviour change and marketing projects to promote Edinburgh's opportunities for walking, cycling and public transport.</p>	<p><u>For further information:</u></p> <p>In 2008-2012, SCSP pilot projects took place in seven Scottish towns. In 2015-16, all local authorities were invited to bid for SCSP funding following the pilot projects.</p>
<p>The 2015-16 programme comprised seven work packages: travel planning, festivals and culture, walking, branding and website, 20mph, route marketing and mapping. The programme commenced on 1 April 2015 and was completed on 31 May 2016. A time extension was granted by Paths for All, to all local authorities, to allow spending in April and May 2016, to complete SCSP projects.</p> <p>A completion report for this programme was submitted to Paths for All in June 2016 that now enables the Council to claim the grant. Paths for All have confirmed that the full grant will be paid for work relating to SCSP in the financial year 2015-16, due to the completion of the evaluation report.</p>	<p>The programme contributed to Coalition Pledges P45 and P50 and Council Priority CP11.</p>
<p>The total cost for the 2015-16 programme was £994,428, made up of £628,057 of revenue spending, and £366,371 from the Council's capital match funding contribution, as per the grant conditions of eligible sources of match funding.</p> <p>Revenue spend comprised of the full grant amount of £496,371 and a contribution from the Council's cycling revenue budget of £131,686.</p>	<p>The original total budget (including match funding) was £992,742.</p>

Despite the short timescale, the 2015-16 programme has resulted in valuable outcomes. These include:

Engagement with 33 businesses with over 200 employees, to encourage employees to travel more sustainably/actively to work, including the production of 220 personal travel plans for individual employees, showing a range of alternative ways of travelling as opposed to travelling by car.

Improvements to the Council's walking and cycling webpages and increased numbers of people viewing them, as a result of targeted advertising campaigns to specific groups of people.

A city wide survey of all drop kerbs and guardrails in the city.

Research into potential for wayfinding systems, reviewing those in use elsewhere in the UK and abroad.

Community street audits and training/awareness raising for Edinburgh's new street design guidance.

Education and awareness raising for the forthcoming city wide rollout of 20mph speed limits.

55 led cycle rides, involving 423 riders in total, and 8 bicycle maintenance sessions which were open to the public.

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Forthcoming Activities:

The Council has been successful in bidding for SCSP funding again for this financial year (£642,663). The draft SCSP programme for 2016-17 was reported to the Transport and Environment Committee in March 2016 and the chosen work packages are: 1) route information/marketing; 2) walking promotion; 3) cycling research and development; 4) 20mph promotion.

Recent news

Petition to site an Edinburgh Conscientious Objectors and opponents of War Memorial in Edinburgh - Progress Report

On 25 August 2015 the Transport & Environment Committee considered a referral from the Petitions Committee to note the agreement that officers would report on the outcome of discussions with the principal petitioner.

Following approval of the petition representatives of the Memorial Committee were given a tour of Princes Street Gardens and Calton Hill by David Jamieson, Parks and Greenspace. Committee members were shown a number

Background

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<p>of locations that might be suitable for a memorial.</p> <p>The Committee then worked with an artist to develop a proposal for a memorial in West Princes Street Gardens. Representatives of the Committee met with and presented the proposal to David Jamieson, Paul McAuley, Collections Care Officer – Monuments, and David Dorward, Manager of Princes Street Gardens. A favoured location at the west end of the Gardens was acknowledged to be unsuitable and so the possibility of creating a memorial within one of the three shelters along the top promenade was proposed.</p> <p>Following a subsequent meeting with Paul McAuley, the Memorial Committee is now giving consideration to more central locations alongside the lower path of West Princes Street Gardens and considering what form would be most suitable for a memorial. Consideration has been given to the desirability of creating a memorial in the form of a piece of public art. To this end the Memorial Committee is in the process of applying for funding to run a competition. To date, they have secured over £5,000 and have revised the date for completion of a memorial to November 2018.</p>	

Forthcoming Activities:

None

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<p>Open Space 2021, Edinburgh's Draft Open Space Strategy for Consultation</p> <p>The Planning Committee on 11 August 2016 considered a report Open Space 2021, Edinburgh's draft open space Strategy for consultation. The Committee approved the recommendations in the Director's report and referred the report to the Transport and Environment Committee for information.</p>	<p><u>For further information:</u></p> <p>Andrew Smith, Planning Officer 0131 469 3762 andrew.smith@edinburgh.gov.uk</p>

Forthcoming Activities:

None

Recent news

Consultation on Airspace Change Programme

The Planning Committee on 11 August 2016 considered a report [Consultation on Airspace Change Programme](#) . The Committee approved the recommendations in the Director's report and referred the report to the Transport and Environment Committee for information.

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Forthcoming Activities:

None