

ROAD SAFETY ACTION PLAN – TOWARDS 2015

Update Report May 2015

Actions	Lead Agency	Progress To Date
Children		
Encourage all adults to set children a good example in all road safety matters and remind them of their responsibility and role	Angus Council	On-Going through the School Travel Planning process.
Continue to promote and support road safety education as part of the curriculum in all schools	Angus Council	On-Going
Encourage safe and sustainable routes to travel to and from school	Angus Council	On-Going as part of each School Travel Plan
Encourage more walking buses to/from schools where appropriate	Angus Council	On-Going
Support school cycling groups where requested	Angus Council	On-Going

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Drivers Aged 17-25 Years		
Review marketing methods to ensure all recently qualified 17-25 year olds are aware of the benefits of further training in improving driving skills	Police Scotland	Police Scotland continues to make appropriate use of available media outlets, including Facebook & Twitter to deliver appropriate road safety messages targeted at this group. Appropriate consideration of referral to Driver Improvement Scheme also continues.
Continue to offer and/or provide road safety education to all Angus secondary and tertiary educational establishments	Police Scotland	Police Scotland are not the lead agency for delivery of road safety education within schools etc, with this responsibility falling to Angus Council. Police will continue to provide appropriate support to relevant activity in this respect. Continuing involvement with Safe Drive Stay Alive is one such example.
Continue to take direct action on those who insist on using vehicles in an anti-social manner	Police Scotland	Police Scotland is committed to making the Roads of Angus Safer. We continue to patrol the area with a view to influencing driver behaviour. Anti-social driving continues to be challenged with appropriate use of all available sanctions being considered.

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Rural Roads		
Continue to liaise with road safety groups on trunk road safety issues	Angus Council	Roads Traffic continues to liaise with Transport Scotland and Bear regarding road safety issues on the trunk road network.
Increase awareness of road safety issues	Police Scotland	Work in this area is an ongoing process and has direct links to a number of local and national initiatives. This includes Operation Zenith (Motorcycle Road Safety), Festive Drink Drug Drive Initiative & Vulnerable Road User Campaign. Maximum appropriate use of various media outlets is maintained.
Shared knowledge amongst stakeholders	All	Angus Area Traffic Co-ordination Group meets on a monthly basis to discuss local road safety & traffic management issues.
Continue to undertake an annual programme of remedial measures at accident cluster locations identified through the AIP programme	Angus Council	Roads Traffic continues to implement remedial measures at accident cluster sites identified through the AIP programme. AIP update & monitoring reports are sent to Communities Committee on an annual basis.
Support Road Safety Scotland's publicity campaign strategy and local police enforcement campaigns	Angus Council	Angus Council will look at further ways to support Road Safety Scotland's publicity campaigns and local police enforcement campaigns i.e. by adding links to campaigns on Angus Council's website.
Support speed enforcement undertaken by Tayside Safety Camera Partnership (TSCP) and continue to be an active partner in the partnership with the joint aim of reducing casualties and vehicle speeds and identified accident hot spots	TSCP	During the last year Angus Council has continued to be an active partner on both the Executive Board and Steering Group of TSCP and fully supported the casualty reduction work through the provision of speed data and signage where necessary to enable Safety Camera deployment to take place. Angus Council area continues to have the highest level of speed limit compliance at SCP sites within the TSCP area with a positive effect on

	<p>collision and casualty figures. TSCP will cease to operate as 31 March 2015 as a consequence of the recent review into the Scottish Safety Camera Programme where it was determined that control of the Safety Camera Operations would pass to Police Scotland. Engagement in relation to Safety Camera activity will now be undertaken with the Police through the existing Community Planning Partnership meetings and associated Road Safety Forums and operational meetings.</p>
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Drink Drive		
Continue Designated Driver schemes in Angus	Police Scotland	This scheme was delivered by Road Safety Officers. Police Scotland is no longer in a position to lead this work.
Media awareness of the dangers and consequences of drink/drug driving	Police Scotland	This work is on-going on both a national and local basis making maximum use of appropriate media outlets. Particular focus during summer and Festive Drink/Drug Drive initiatives and following recent reduction of drink drive limits.
Programme of school talks	Police Scotland	This programme was delivered by Road Safety Officers. Police Scotland is no longer in a position to lead this work. Appropriate support can be provided however.
Continued enforcement	Police Scotland	The issue of drink/drug driving remains a concern throughout the country. Whilst Police activity in this area receives significant attention during specific campaigns, enforcement of this legislation is an everyday activity.
Alcohol awareness week	Focus on Alcohol Angus	Although there is no longer a national 'alcohol awareness week', local campaigns over the festive period were undertaken across Angus towns.

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Seatbelts		
Continue to support locally targeted seatbelt campaigns	Police Scotland	Police Scotland continues to support local and national seatbelt campaigns. This is in addition to what is the routine business of detection of seatbelt offences.
Continue to educate and encourage drivers to ensure that children are properly restrained in vehicles	Police Scotland	This activity is considered routine business. Every opportunity is taken to engage with drivers transporting children in order to ensure they are being carried as safely as possible. Roadside education and enforcement are common place.
Continue to ensure that all buses provided under school transport contracts are fitted with seatbelts	Angus Council	Part of the Conditions of Contract when tendering for School Transport.

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Speeds		
Continue to support speed enforcement work undertaken by the Tayside Safety Camera Partnership	TSCP	During the last year Angus Council has continued to be an active partner on both the Executive Board and Steering Group of TSCP and fully supported the casualty reduction work through the provision of speed data and signage where necessary to enable Safety Camera deployment to take place. Angus Council area continues to have the highest level of speed limit compliance at SCP sites within the TSCP area with a positive effect on collision and casualty figures. TSCP will cease to operate as 31 March 2015 as a consequence of the recent review into the Scottish Safety Camera Programme where it was determined that control of the Safety Camera Operations would pass to Police Scotland. Engagement in relation to Safety Camera activity will now be undertaken with the Police through the existing Community Planning Partnership meetings and associated Road safety Forums and operational meetings.
Roads in partnership with Tayside Safety Camera Partnership to undertake a review of accident locations in Angus and test these against national guidance to prioritised list of sites for the provision of fixed and mobile safety cameras and conventional police enforcement	TSCP	TSCP have undertaken, as required by the programme handbook, a full review of existing identified sites on a 3 yearly basis and Angus Council Roads staff are actively involved in this work. During this last year any existing or emerging cluster sites are considered at Steering Group meetings which take place every 4 months. As a consequence of this work a new route strategy was introduced on the A94 Perth to Forfar road within the Angus Council area and is having a positive influence on driver behaviour. As a consequence of the review into the Scottish Safety Camera Programme new site criteria will shortly be issued and will require a full review of the entire road network in Angus Council to assess the current site

		requirements against the new criteria and this will be carried out in conjunction with Angus Council Roads staff.
Continue the use of vehicle activated signs at known locations where speeding is a concern, in liaison with Tayside Police and Tayside Safety Camera Partnership	TSCP	Angus Council continue to deploy TSCP supplied vehicle activated signs at identified agreed sites in support of the casualty and collision reduction objectives.
Continue to support safe driver education through the Tayside Safety Camera Partnership and work in partnership to promote campaigns and raise awareness of the dangers of driving at excessive and inappropriate speeds	TSCP	TSCP Communications Officer and Camera Technicians currently have attended events at Commercial Companies, Public Events and schools & colleges within the Angus Council area to promote speed awareness and casualty reduction initiatives. As a consequence of the aforementioned review this work will be limited in the future to the decision to reduce the staff that perform this role.
Undertake a review of speed limits on C class roads and unclassified roads in Angus	Angus Council	The C Class & Unclassified Roads Speed Limit Reviews have now been completed and the recommendations have all been implemented.

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Speeds (Continued)		
Consider the introduction of speed reducing measures where appropriate on existing residential roads	Angus Council	The introduction of speed reducing measures on existing residential roads will be considered for areas where pedestrian accidents and speeding have been identified.
Design new lightly trafficked roads to 20mph design speed standards in accordance with "Designing Streets" policy	Angus Council	All new lightly trafficked roads in Angus are designed in accordance with Angus Council Road Standards and "Designing Streets".

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Pedestrians		
Identify accident locations which involve pedestrian casualties and analyse details to assess the possible benefit from engineering measures	Angus Council	The locations of accidents involving pedestrians are analysed as part of the AIP programme and appropriate remedial measures are undertaken as necessary.
To continue to reinforce road safety messages to pedestrians and encourage the proper use of crossing facilities	Angus Council	Information leaflets are distributed throughout the local community when a new signalised pedestrian crossing is installed.
To promote pedestrian safety on rural routes by wearing appropriate clothing to increase the chances of being seen by drivers	Police Scotland	Police Scotland continues to routinely respond to concerns and where appropriate challenge all vulnerable road users, including pedestrians, where there is concern that they are placing themselves in harms way. Appropriate media releases are a regular feature a number of national campaigns are used to highlight the obvious risks. The national Tactical Options Working Group also monitors and advises on consistent approach to dealing with this issue.
Continue to provide improved crossing facilities including for those with disabilities	Angus Council	Roads Traffic continues to install dropped kerbs throughout Angus under an annual programme of works.
Continue to support the provision of school crossing patrollers	Angus Council	On-going
Continue the programme of town centre traffic management reviews	Angus Council	Town centre traffic management reviews have been completed for Arbroath, Brechin, Carnoustie, Forfar, Kirriemuir and Montrose (March 2014) and appropriate remedial measures have been implemented where necessary.

Continue to support town centre enhancement schemes where appropriate	Angus Council	Roads Traffic will continue to support town centre enhancement schemes where appropriate.
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Motor Cyclists

Encourage motor cyclists to be more easily seen by wearing high visibility/reflective clothing and using dipped headlights when appropriate	Police Scotland	Police Scotland continues to routinely respond to concerns and where appropriate challenge all vulnerable road users, including motorcyclists, where there is concern that they are placing themselves or others in harms way or breaking the rules of the road. Appropriate media releases are a regular feature a number of national campaigns are used to highlight the obvious risks. The national Tactical Options Working Group also monitors and advises on consistent approach to dealing with this issue. Operation Zenith (See below) also ensures focus on this particular activity.
Continue to ensure roads are maintained to minimise the risk of encountering poor road surface conditions	Angus Council	Roads Maintenance continues to undertake an annual road surface condition review and implements an annual resurfacing programme.
Encourage participation in BikeSafe education	Police Scotland	Police Scotland no longer participates in the BikeSafe scheme. Every effort is now made to promote Motorcycle safety by reference to http://www.aroundthecorner.org.uk/ Support of national Operation Zenith, which promotes safe and responsible motorcycling throughout the road network utilising a Scottish Govt led media campaign. Police patrols will support this with maximum engagement with motorcyclists and robust enforcement of relevant legislation.
Continue to monitor the locations of motor cycle accidents and undertake AIP investigation as necessary	Angus Council	The locations of motor cycle accidents are analysed as part of the AIP programme and appropriate remedial measures are undertaken as necessary.

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Pedal Cyclists		
Encourage cyclists to be more easily seen by wearing high visibility/reflective clothing and to wear cycle helmets	Police Scotland	Police Scotland continues to routinely respond to concerns and where appropriate challenge all vulnerable road users, including pedal cyclists, where there is concern that they are placing themselves or others in harms way or breaking the rules of the road. Appropriate media releases are a regular feature a number of national campaigns are used to highlight the obvious risks. The national Tactical Options Working Group also monitors and advises on consistent approach to dealing with this issue.
Continue to ensure roads are maintained to minimise the risk of encountering poor road surface conditions	Angus Council	Roads Maintenance continues to annually undertake road surface condition reviews and implements an annual resurfacing programme.
Encourage children to participate in child cycle training at schools	Angus Council	On-going in conjunction with Active School Co-ordinators in each cluster.
Continue to monitor the locations of cycle accidents and undertake AIP investigation as necessary	Angus Council	The locations of pedal cycle accidents are analysed as part of the AIP programme and appropriate remedial measures are undertaken as necessary.
Actively promote cycling as a healthy sustainable travel option	All	Angus Council operates a Cycle to Work Scheme, operates a Bike at Work Scheme, has provided showers & cycle storage facilities at some of its buildings and has provided a range of local projects to improve access and safety for pedestrians and cyclists funded from the Cycling, Walking & Safer Streets allocation.