

Public Transport Review Focus Group

Information Pack

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Angus public transport network – Focus Groups

- Through these Focus Groups we want to hear your views and encourage discussion with you on public transport issues and how we might be able to tackle them. This will help the council's Road Safety working group's review of the public transport network.

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- The information in these slides will support discussion. Please be aware – the slides do not represent any findings or final views of the council's Road Safety working group. They will be formed later as part of this overall process.

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- The council's Road Safety working group's findings will be published in a report to Angus Council's Communities Committee.
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Legal Duty of the Council

- **1985 Transport Act** – is the basis for local authorities to support the public transport network
- Section 63 – places duty on Councils to prepare general public transport policies
- Section 64 – there should be consultation on any policies with the public and neighbouring authorities
- **2005 Transport Act** – created Regional Transport Partnerships (Tactran). Local authorities must pay attention to public transport aims and objectives outlined within the Regional Transport Strategy

Public Transport Policy

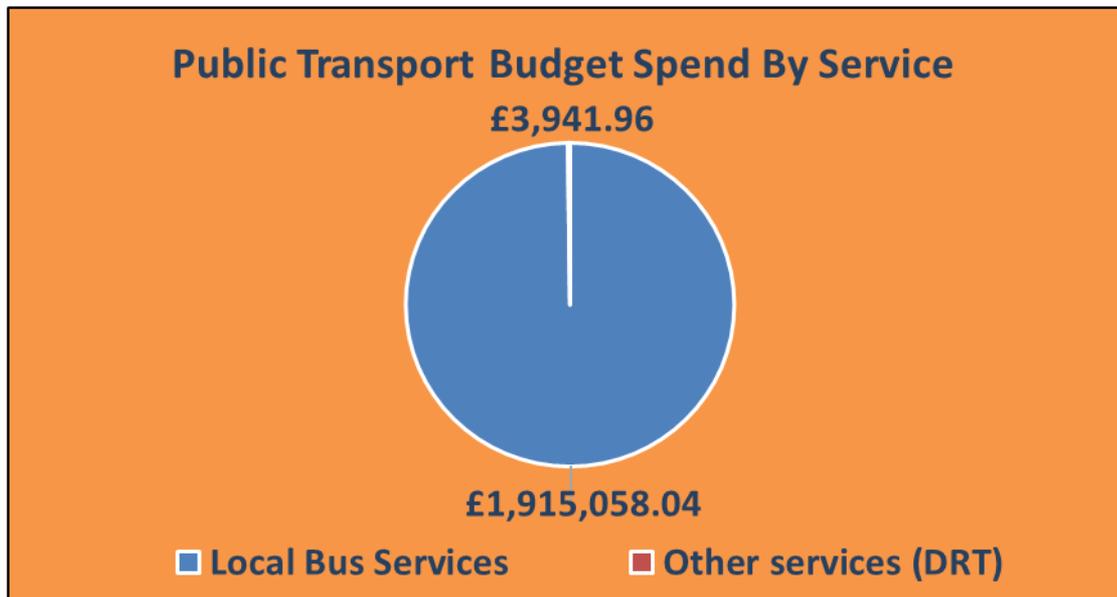
- The main aim of the council is to –
“Provide public passenger transport services to meet the needs of local residents and visitors to the area, providing access to those without a car and an attractive and sustainable alternative for those with access to a car.”

Public transport services - Budget & Delivery

- The public transport services budget for 2021/22 is **£1.9million**.
- This amount is provided to the local bus operators that deliver all of our public transport services.
- We also pay one taxi firm for a small DRT (demand responsive transport) service.

Public transport services - Budget & Delivery

The public transport revenue budget allocation for 20/21 was £1,919,000:



- 99.8% of the money spent from the transport revenue budget in 20/21 was for local bus services

Emerging Key Issues

We want the Focus Groups to support aims of the Council's public transport service review by

- Helping us to place **sustainable travel** (see image below) at the heart of our network
- Thinking about more efficient ways to deliver public transport services using **the existing budget**
- continued

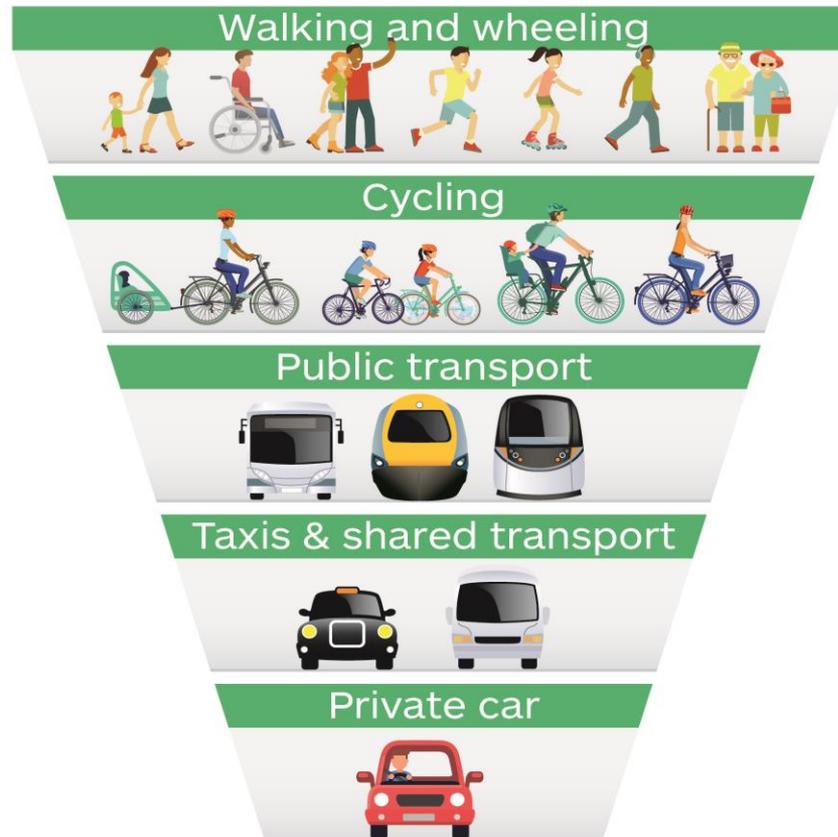
Emerging Key Issues

- Looking at how to achieve a better balance within the Angus public transport network
- examining how **technology** can improve access to services
- exploring any **opportunities for the community** to take a lead in how the transport network works for them

Sustainable Travel Hierarchy

– or in other words...what takes priority in the way we travel

Prioritising Sustainable Transport



Sustainable Travel Hierarchy

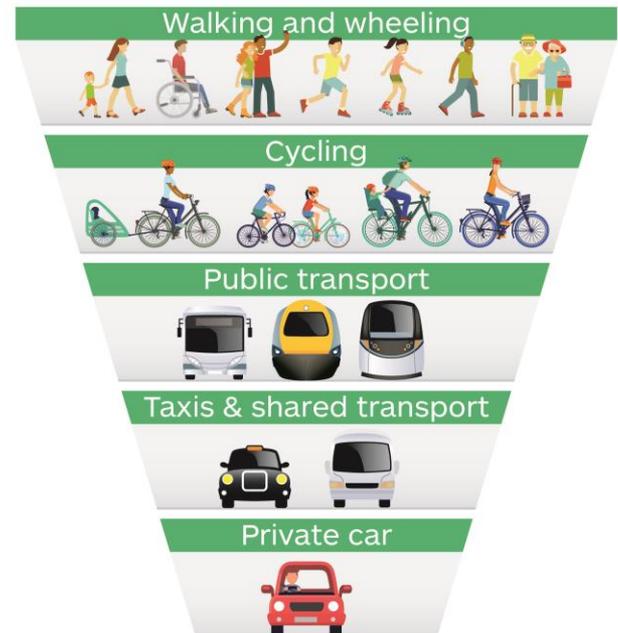
- Priority for pedestrians
- Priority for cyclists/wheelers
- **Priority for public transport, taxis and shared**
- Priority for commercial vehicles
- Priority for private cars

Sustainable Travel Hierarchy

Reminder: we must provide public passenger transport services to meet the needs of local residents and visitors.

Q1. How should we share and split priorities for public transport users across the sustainable travel?

Prioritising Sustainable Transport



Self-Help & Community Involvement

Note: You have heard of the Council-provided public transport services but there is next to no Community involvement in providing public transport.

Q2. How can the public, communities and voluntary organisations be more involved in the direct delivery of public transport services?

Self-Help & Community Involvement

- Walking or cycling between transport services
- Car clubs
- Volunteer driving
- Resilience planning
- Coordinated community groups/volunteer organisations

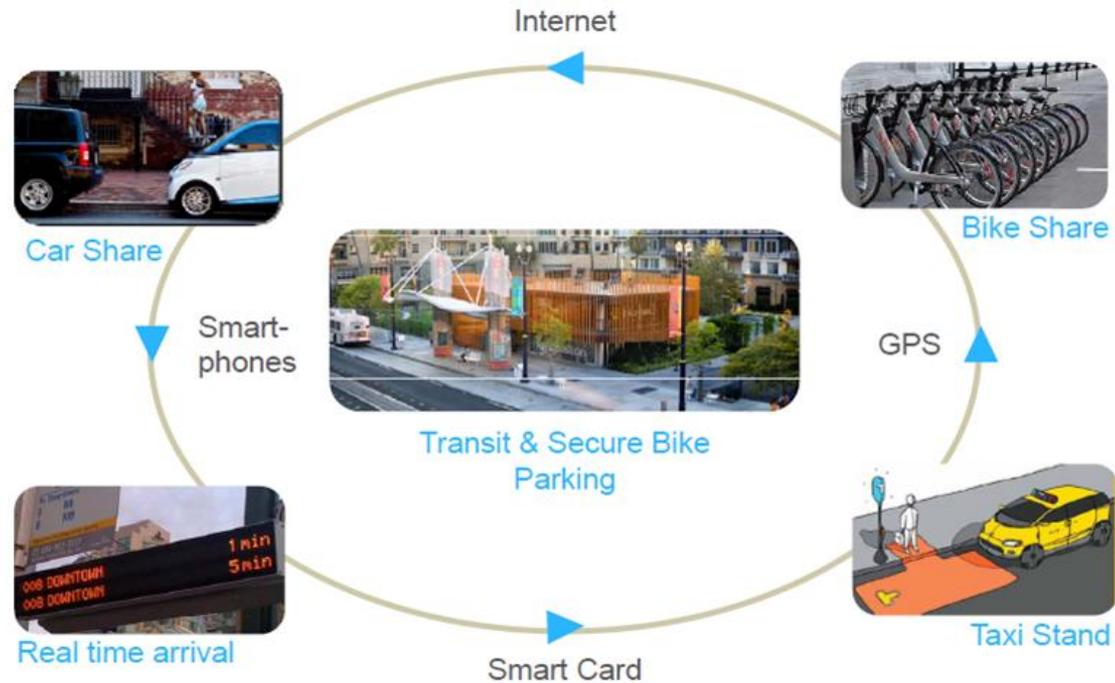
Integrated Transportation

Q3. How can we make Angus public transport network more integrated, i.e. connected?



Technology

Q4. How can we use technology to improve access to services?



Other Key Issues

Q5. What other key issues should we know about?