Have your say on Edinburgh's Transport plans



HELP DECIDE EDINBURGH'S FIVE YEAR TRANSPORT STRATEGY

A <u>six-week public consultation</u> starts tomorrow, 4 February 2013, as part of the development of a new transport strategy for Edinburgh.

For the past five years, the Council's transport projects, network maintenance and service provision have been guided by the <u>Local Transport Strategy (LTS) 2007-2012</u>, now extended to the end of 2013.

Work has already begun to draw up a new five year policy document, an LTS for 2014-2019. This document will go through a number of stages before being finalised at the end of 2013.

The <u>public consultation</u> being launched on Monday seeks residents' views on 10 key transport <u>Issues for Review</u>, including a proposal to introduce parking charges on Sunday and options to reduce speed limits in residential streets to 20mph.

The <u>Issues for Review report</u> is the first stage in the preparation of the LTS. Its purpose is to seek views on the issues where change is needed, or the Council faces a significant choice in future direction.

Many of the policies and objectives in the current LTS are still valid and these will simply be continued or updated for the next LTS. There will be a chance to give feedback on those in a further consultation process later in 2013.

Councillor Lesley Hinds, Transport Convener, urged as many

people as possible to take part in the consultation.

She said: "Whether you're a public transport user, a motorist, a cyclist or a pedestrian — or perhaps you might even be all of these things, depending on the journey — we want to hear what residents and businesses in Edinburgh think about the transport issues in this consultation.

"It's vital for us to gather as many different points of view as we can so that we can be sure that the final Local Transport Strategy 2014-2019 document accurately reflects the City's priorities for the next five years."

Anyone can respond to this consultation using the questionnaire available online at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/BPRZ50K

Printed questionnaires are also available from libraries, or on request from: localtransportstrategy@edinburgh.gov.uk

Completed printed questionnaires can be returned to the Freepost address:

FREEPOST — RTCH — JJEK — TCCZ Local Transport Strategy City of Edinburgh Council Waverley Court (C.2) 4 East Market Street Edinburgh EH8 8BG

The consultation closes on Sunday 17 March 2013.

A public drop-in session will also be held on this consultation:

Venue: the foyer of the Edinburgh Central Library, George IV Bridge, EH1 1EG

Date: Thursday 6 March 2013

Time: From 9am to 8pm