

# Transport Options Report 2018

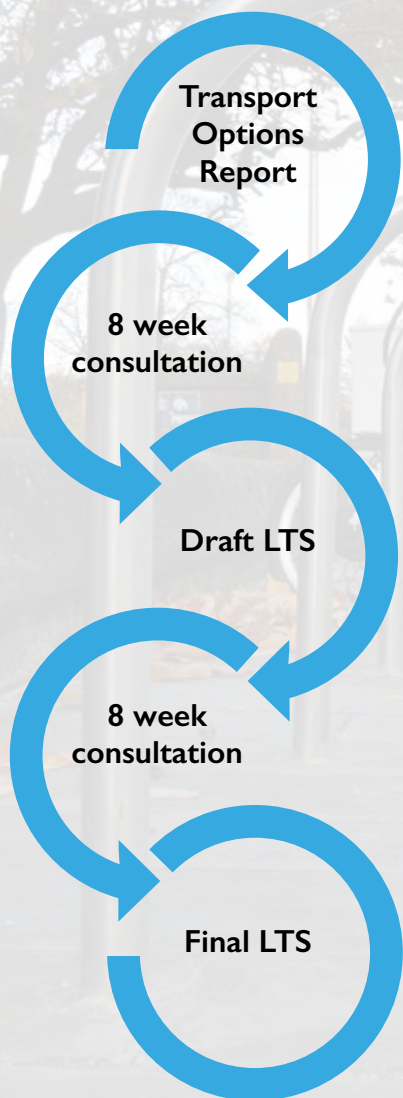


## Kirkintilloch, Lenzie, Waterside and Twechar



# Local Transport Strategy

The Transport Options Report is the first step in refreshing East Dunbartonshire Council's Local Transport Strategy. The Transport Options Report has been developed on an evidence base including policy, transport data, route corridor studies and community consultation. The full process of refreshing the Local Transport Strategy is shown below:



## Consultation

As the Local Transport Strategy diagram shows, a key part of this process is consultation. We want to encourage as many people as possible to engage with this strategy to ensure we capture the needs of the people of East Dunbartonshire, as well as developing effective partnership working with key transport organisations and providers.

This round of consultation on the Transport Options Report provides an opportunity for the community to help steer the future of transport in East Dunbartonshire.

There are several ways to contribute to this consultation and details are provided at the back of this booklet. Please let us know your thoughts on the contents of the Transport Options Report - including all of the options and any you believe are missing.

The Transport Options Report sets out preferred and alternative options that are applicable to the whole area and details options for individual community areas. This booklet features the options for Kirkintilloch, Lenzie, Waterside and Twechar.

# Transport Planning Objectives

Following an extensive review of evidence including transport policy, transport data and previous public consultations, the following Transport Planning Objectives were derived which deliver overall objectives for the Local Transport Strategy to deliver.

1. Increasing modal shift towards more sustainable modes of travel for both travel to work/study and leisure trips
2. Reducing inequality by providing high quality access for all
3. Reducing emissions through reduced vehicle mileage in East Dunbartonshire
4. Facilitating sustainable economic growth by improving connections across our boundaries and between our communities
5. Improving health by increasing walking and cycling rates
6. Improve safety on all modes of transport.

## East Dunbartonshire Area Wide Transport Options

### Active Travel

These actions are carried forward from the 2015-2020 Active Travel Strategy including infrastructure and behavioural change actions. The infrastructure actions include creation of an East Dunbartonshire circular walking and cycling route.

The behavioural change actions include actions designed to encourage greater levels of walking and cycling in East Dunbartonshire including for trips to school, work and leisure facilities.

| ATS Action Point | Description   |
|------------------|---|
| I.13             | East Dunbartonshire Loop                                      |
| I.14             | Improve access by active travel to green network/open spaces. |
| I.15             | Cycling in EDC parks  |
| I.16             | Secure cycle storage at Rail stations and town centres.       |
| I.17             | Planning policy and development management                    |
| I.18             | Town centre strategies  |
| I.19             | 20mph zones   |

| ATS Action Point | Description   |
|------------------|---|
| 1.20             | Signage improvements – Healthy Habits signage   |
| 1.22             | Maintenance   |
| 2.1              | Ensure all primary and secondary schools provide School Travel Plan or Active Travel co-ordinator   |
| 2.4              | Educate the school community on Active Travel by incorporating into the school curriculum.  |
| 2.5              | Encourage participation in national events such as Walk to School Week  |
| 2.6              | Minimal car access to all new build schools   |
| 2.7              | Provision of funded personnel to deliver school active travel plans and implementation of actions.  |
| 2.8              | Provide major employers in East Dunbartonshire with relevant information to assist with developing Workplace Travel Plan or appointing an Active Travel Co-ordinator/Champion |
| 2.9              | Promote cycle friendly employer status for East Dunbartonshire employers  |
| 2.10             | Assist employers to support/designate an Active Travel Ambassador or a Workplace Cycling Instructor   |
| 2.11             | Promote adult and commuter cycle training to businesses   |
| 2.12             | Promote dedicated workplace active challenges to local employers  |
| 2.13             | Encourage/assist businesses to send employees on a cycle ride leader course   |
| 2.14             | Create and promote dedicated active travel section on EDC website   |
| 2.15             | Continue 'Healthy habits' programme and develop across East Dunbartonshire  |
| 2.16             | Produce pocket size Active Travel Route guides  |
| 2.17             | Develop an annual 'Programme of Active Travel events' calendar  |
| 2.19             | Encourage schools, businesses and community groups to 'befriend'; sections of local Active Travel Routes  |

## Public Transport

| Preferred  | Alternative   |
|--|---|
| Continue to deliver bus stop and shelter improvements in partnership with SPT                                      | <i>Continue to provide essential maintenance and cleaning on bus infrastructure</i> |
| Deployment of Real Time Passenger Information systems across East Dunbartonshire                                   | <i>Deliver Real Time Passenger Information on the A81 and A803 corridors</i>        |
| City Deal Bus Infrastructure Fund – <i>Work with SPT to improve the bus network through funding from City Deal</i> | <i>Allocate Council capital funding to improve bus infrastructure</i>               |
| Support greater synchronisation of bus and rail timetables at rail stations  | <i>No reasonable alternative</i>  |
| Support development of Edinburgh Glasgow Improvement Programme   | <i>No reasonable alternative</i>  |

## Roads

| Preferred  | Alternative   |
|--|---|
| Investigate having a Car Club – <i>A car club is a membership scheme that allows members access to pay-as-you-drive vehicles</i>               | <i>Increase Council pool car provision / Increase bus service provision in the evenings</i> |
| Review of procedures and conditions of taxi firm licensing   | <i>Continue without reviewing</i>   |
| Vehicle idling enforcement   | <i>No reasonable alternative</i>  |
| Vehicle emissions testing  | <i>Reduce the effort of emissions testing</i>   |
| Council fleet replacement programme – <i>Continue to replace Council fleet on a 3-5 year vehicle lease to ensure high efficiency standards</i> | <i>Replace Council fleet when vehicles fail standard tests</i>                              |
| Fuel efficient driver training – <i>Investigate offering training to Council employees to help them drive more efficiently</i>                 | <i>Continue only with current testing procedures</i>  |

| <b>Preferred</b>  | <b>Alternative</b>  |
|---|---|
| Introduce ECO Stars Fleet recognition scheme – <i>the scheme aims to encourage organisations with fleets to operate more efficiently</i>      | <i>Continue with current procedures</i>   |
| Promote EDC participation in Liftshare scheme - <i>A lift sharing opportunity available for Council staff to share trips to and from work</i> | <i>Continue with current procedures</i>   |
| Ongoing road maintenance  | <i>No reasonable alternative</i>  |
| Respond to road defects in a timeous manner   | <i>Investigate a proportion of defects based on assessment of seriousness of defect</i>       |
| Carry out a 'pothole blitz' programme   | <i>Carry out pothole repairs when the road maintenance programme allows</i>                   |
| Provision of low level cycle signals at traffic signals and at carriageway crossings where appropriate  | <i>Implement toucan crossings at all signalised junctions or crossings where width allows</i> |
| Provision of Advanced Stop Lines with lead in cycle lanes at signal controlled junctions where appropriate                                    | <i>Continue with current procedures</i>   |
| Continue to support trunk road improvements outside of East Dunbartonshire  | <i>No reasonable alternative</i>  |
| Promote road safety through schools   | <i>Provide signage near schools warning drivers of children crossing</i>                      |
| Establish a pool bike scheme for Council employees  | <i>No reasonable alternative</i>  |
| Use electronic information signs to warn drivers of delays, accidents or closures   | <i>No reasonable alternative</i>  |
| Continue to roll out traffic control systems such as SCOOT to improve traffic management  | <i>Implement traffic control systems such as MOVA across the authority area</i>               |
| Road options to enforce/reduce speeds and enhance appeal of sustainable travel  | <i>Introduce 20mph zones along the majority of A81 and A803 corridors</i>                     |





## Parking

| Preferred  | Alternative  |
|--|--|
| Assess and improve availability of electric vehicle charging infrastructure  | <i>Maintain current infrastructure</i>             |
| Monitor and review parking charges brought in for selected Council car parks | <i>Have free parking across the authority area</i> |

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## Transport Options

### Active Travel

Actions carried forward from 2015-2020 Active Travel Strategy including:

- 1.3 - Twechar towpath and crossing improvements
- 1.8 - Torrance to Birdston via the River Kelvin railway path
- 1.9 - Kirkintilloch Town Centre Masterplan
- 1.10 - Kirkintilloch/Lenzie to Bishopbriggs route

### Public Transport

| Preferred  | Alternative   |
|--|---|
| A803 Quality Bus Corridor (QBC) Package - measures can include Real Time Passenger Information, improvements to bus stops and shelters, and bus priority and bus detection measures at signals           | <i>Continue to develop bus infrastructure through reliance on annual SPT capital programme for stop and shelter improvements</i>  |
| Kirkintilloch Town Centre bus improvements – incorporate into the refresh of the Kirkintilloch Town Centre Masterplan  | <i>No reasonable alternative - the refresh of the Kirkintilloch Town Centre Masterplan is a committed action within the East Dunbartonshire Economic Development Strategy 2016-2019</i> |
| Kirkintilloch / Lenzie bus service improvements - investigate ways of providing a service between Kirkintilloch, Lenzie and Woodilee, including altering existing services in partnership with operators | <i>Do nothing and allow the deregulated bus market to provide services on a commercial basis</i>  |
| Lenzie Improvements Project  | <i>Increase parking at Lenzie rail station – provide a parking deck at the north side of the car park</i>   |



Public Transport (Continued)

Option not taken forward as preferred or alternative

| Option  | Why it is not being taken forward as preferred or alternative  |
|---|--|
| <p><b>Woodilee Rail Station</b> - the proposal to investigate the feasibility of a rail station at Woodilee was included in East Dunbartonshire Council's Local Plan 2.</p> <p>This feasibility work was completed in 2015 as part of a route corridor study by independent consultants, AECOM.</p> | <p>The Council wrote to the Scottish Government in June 2018 seeking an update on its position on a proposed station at Woodilee. In the response received, the Council was advised that the proposal for a new rail station at Woodilee did not feature in the Scottish Government's future investment priorities. With this in mind, the proposal to deliver a rail station at Woodilee has not been included in this options report as preferred or alternative.</p> <p>The route corridor study demonstrated that a rail station at Woodilee would deliver very poor value for money. In recognition of this - and the physical difficulties of both accommodating a station on the main Edinburgh-Glasgow rail line at this location without negatively affecting the performance of express services and providing parking provision and vehicular access within a residential development with limited available land - it is recommended that the existing safeguarding be removed from the emerging Local Development Plan 2.</p> |



# Town Improvements

| Preferred   | Alternative  |
|---|--|
| Foster strong partnership working with community groups and an external consultant to improve the layout and associated transport infrastructure at Townhead, Kirkintilloch | No reasonable alternative - this option is being facilitated by the regeneration team within the Council |



# Have your say on the **Transport Options Report**

**Now is your chance to get involved!  
What do you like about the options?**

**What would you change?**

**Online survey available from 3 December!**

Available at:

[www.eastdunbarton.gov.uk/transport-options-report](http://www.eastdunbarton.gov.uk/transport-options-report)

## **Consultation period**

3 December 2018 – 11 February 2019

We are having a consultation period and we want to hear your views about the future of transport in East Dunbartonshire and you can do this in a number of ways, including drop-in sessions, workshops, an online survey and more!

Come along to our drop-in sessions and have a chat about the Local Transport Strategy and discuss the options with us.

| <b>Where?</b>                                | <b>When?</b>                         |
|--|--------------------------------------|
| Kirkintilloch Leisure Centre                 | Tuesday 4 December - 3pm-7pm         |
| Leisuredrome, Bishopbriggs                   | Thursday 6 December - 3pm-7pm        |
| Caldwell Halls, Torrance                     | Thursday 13 December - 2.30pm-5.30pm |
| Fraser Centre, Milngavie                     | Monday 17 December – 3pm-7pm         |
| Lennoxtown Community Hub                     | Monday 7 January – 3pm-7pm           |
| Lenzie Union Church Hall                     | Tuesday 8 January – 3pm-6pm          |
| Twechar Healthy Living and Enterprise Centre | Tuesday 15 January – 12pm-3pm        |
| Bearsden Community Hub                       | Monday 21 January – 3pm-7pm          |

Visit our website at [www.eastdunbarton.gov.uk/transport-options-report](http://www.eastdunbarton.gov.uk/transport-options-report) from 3 December onwards for further information and to access the online survey.

Alternatively, copies of the documents are available at Council offices, community hubs and libraries, and comments can be posted to:

Land Planning Policy Team, East Dunbartonshire Council, Southbank House,  
1 Strathkelvin Place, Kirkintilloch G66 1XQ

For further information e-mail: [development.plan@eastdunbarton.gov.uk](mailto:development.plan@eastdunbarton.gov.uk)  
or call the Land Planning Policy Team on **0300 123 4510**

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