

We would like your views on our draft Local Transport Plan (LTP) and Sustainability Appraisal Report. We want to know if you think we are focussing on the right areas, and if there is anything we have missed.

The survey should take 10 - 15 minutes to complete and is open until midnight on Sunday, 25 May 2025.

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f you	ı have a	any questions, p	olease contact our Transport	Policy Team	on 01635 519284.
1.	Whic	ch of the follow	ring best describes you? F	lease select	all that apply
		A resident of	West Berkshire		A Parish/Town Councillor
		A West Berk	shire business owner		A District Councillor
			a West Berkshire		A partner organisation
		business Employed by	West Berkshire		A West Berkshire Council service provider
		Council			Other
	Addit	ional informatio	n e.g. group/organisation na	me (if applica	able):
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on. <b>2.</b>	Do y	ou think our p	roposed priorities and obje	ectives are c	learly explained?
		Yes	(Go to Q4)		
		No	(Go to Q3)		
		Don't know	(Go to Q4)		
3.	Pleas	se tell us what	you think could be better	explained.	
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### **LTP Priorities**

4.	To what extent do	you agree or	disagree with o	ur proposed priorities	?
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Are the	re any	other priorit	ties you thin	ık we should	d consider ii	ncluding?	
`	Yes	(Go to Q6)					
1	No	(Go to Q7)					



### **LTP Objectives**

7. To what extent do you agree or disagree with our proposed objectives associated with 'Creating Places for People'?

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know
People's health and wellbeing is at the core of the strategy. Central to this is Vision Zero, a target that no one should be killed or seriously injured (KSI) on the West Berkshire highway network						
Safer residential, school and town centre streets will support the creation of quieter and better places to live, encouraging people to shop, eat and stay in vibrant town centres and ensuring that children and young people can walk and cycle to school safely						
These changes will contribute to increasing physical activity, providing benefits to people's health, improved mental wellbeing, better concentration levels, and productivity						
Please explain the reasons for	your respon	nses.				



# 8. To what extent do you agree or disagree with our proposed objectives associated with 'Providing Sustainable Access for All'?

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know
To improve travel choices and facilitate easier journeys, we will increase access to public and shared transport, improve interchange at bus and railway stations, and support operators in improving the attractiveness of public transport vehicles. These changes will give residents more travel choice and access to opportunities						
The LTP will support improved digital connectivity and facilitate the role of technology in helping people in accessing services and transform the transport system						
The transport network is a vital asset of West Berkshire, and we will continue to improve data collection and prioritisation in providing a better maintained network. This includes embracing technology, improving the co-ordination of the aspirations for greater active travel, and reducing the carbon impact of operating and maintaining the transport network						

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Please explain the reasons	for your resp	oonses.				
o what extent do you agr Decarbonising Transport		ree with our	proposed o	objectives	associated v	with
	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don kno
The strategy will support the transition of the transport sector to net zero through a combination of infrastructure improvements and behavioural change						
Supporting this is the objective for 50% of trips within Newbury and Thatcham being made by active travel. Recognising that walking and cycling, or public transport, is not feasible for every trip in West Berkshire, we need cleaner fuels and the LTP will support widespread						



Please explain the reasons	for your resp	oonses.				
To what extent do you agr Supporting Sustainable G		ree with our Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	objectives Agree	associated v Strongly agree	with  Don know
The movement of people, goods and services in and through the district is vital to the economy and the LTP aims to protect and enhance strategic connectivity						
Alongside this, the LTP will support more sustainable movement of freight, including the transition to more sustainable modes and the management of freight in and through urban centres, such as Newbury and Thatcham						
The LTP will also take account of, and align with, proposals in the Local Plan to support sustainable growth, including an objective of carbon neutral development						



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#### LTP Objectives by Place

You have just told us whether you agree or disagree with the objectives in the draft Local Transport Plan. The next few questions let you express your agreement or disagreement with the strategy for each of the places within the district.

# 13. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the proposed strategy for 'Strategic Connectivity (Road and Rail)'?

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know
Providing Sustainable Access for All						
Decarbonising Transport						
Supporting Sustainable Growth						
Please explain the reasons	for your resp	oonses.				



# 14. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the proposed strategy for 'Newbury and Thatcham (Urban Area)'?

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know
50% Active Travel						
Creating Places for People						
Providing Sustainable Access for All						
Decarbonising Transport						
Supporting Sustainable Growth						
Please explain the reasons						



# 15. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the proposed strategy for 'Rural Areas (National Landscapes and Service Centres)'?

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know
Creating Places for People						
Providing Sustainable Access for All						
Decarbonising Transport						
Supporting Sustainable Growth						



16.	To what extent do you agree or disagree with the proposed strategy for the 'Eastern Area
	(bordering Reading, incl. Theale)'?

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know
Creating Places for People						
Providing Sustainable Access for All						
Decarbonising Transport						
Supporting Sustainable Growth						
Please explain the reasons	for your resp	oonses.				



#### **LTP Sustainability Appraisal**

A Sustainability Appraisal Framework has been produced to guide the assessment process of the LTP4. The framework summarises the main sustainability issues in West Berkshire across each environmental topic, and the subsequent sustainability objectives and appraisal questions to be used to assess the emerging LTP4 Strategy vision themes and objectives and will be used in the development of individual projects with Action Plans as these are developed.

#### 17. Do you agree with the assessment objectives of the Sustainability Appraisal report?

		Yes	No	Don't know
SA1	To protect and enhance biodiversity and geological diversity throughout West Berkshire			
SA2	To maintain and enhance water quality and resources			
SA3	To minimise the risk and impact of flooding of transport infrastructure and ensure risk of surface water flooding is reduced			
SA4	To maximise the sustainable use of land and the protection of soils, safeguarding the best and most versatile agricultural land			
SA5	To conserve and enhance the historic environment, including designated and non-designated heritage assets, cultural heritage assets and features of archaeological importance			
SA6	To minimise the impact on landscape and townscape character			
SA7	To reduce traffic related air pollution where air quality is a concern and where possible, enhance air quality elsewhere.			
SA8	To reduce carbon emissions and the reliance of the transport network on fossil fuels in line with net zero carbon commitments			
SA9	To promote the sustainable transport of minerals and waste within West Berkshire			
SA10	To conserve natural resources and increase resource efficiency through use of recycled materials in construction and maintenance of local transport assets			
SA11	To reduce noise pollution in Noise Important Areas and protect tranquil and remote areas from the effects of noise and light pollution			
SA12	To protect the physical and mental health and wellbeing of West Berkshire's residents through ensuring easy access to essential services and to the network of quiet routes and footpaths in the rural areas of the district			
SA13	To create transport networks that are safe for all users, including improving personal safety and reducing crime			
SA14	To increase the capacity and efficiency of the transportation network to support demographic changes, including increasing			



SA15 To maintain economic vitality, enable well paid employment and education across the district through provision of reliable transport networks, including with neighbouring areas  Comments  s there anything you, or your organisation where applicable, could do to help us to his draft Local Transport Plan, including any of the additional priorities or associat objectives you may have suggested above?	SA15 To maintain economic vitality, enable well paid employment and education across the district through provision of reliable transport networks, including with neighbouring areas  Comments  sthere anything you, or your organisation where applicable, could do to help us to his draft Local Transport Plan, including any of the additional priorities or associatiblectives you may have suggested above?  Yes (Go to Q19)  No (Go to Q20)	SA15 To maintain economic vitality, enable well paid employment and education across the district through provision of reliable transport networks, including with neighbouring areas  Comments  s there anything you, or your organisation where applicable, could do to help us to his draft Local Transport Plan, including any of the additional priorities or associatiblectives you may have suggested above?  Yes (Go to Q19)  No (Go to Q20)	SA15 To maintain economic vitality, enable well paid employment and education across the district through provision of reliable transport networks, including with neighbouring areas  Comments  s there anything you, or your organisation where applicable, could do to help us to his draft Local Transport Plan, including any of the additional priorities or associate objectives you may have suggested above?  Yes (Go to Q19)	ς Λ 1 <b>5</b>	l trans	el by active and sustainable modes o sport	וכ			
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20.	Do you have any further comments?					
Abou	t you					
21.	What	t is your gender?				
		Male				
		Female				
		Other				
		Prefer not to say				
22.	How	old are you?				
		Under 18				
		18 – 24				
		25 – 34				
		35 – 44				
		45 – 54				
		55 – 64				
		65 – 74				
		75 and over				
		Prefer not to say				
23.	Pleas	se tell us your postcode, excluding the last two letters, e.g. RG14 5				
24.	Are y	ou the primary carer for an elderly or disabled person?				
		Yes				
		No				
		Prefer not to say				



The following 'About You' questions invite you to provide "special category" data in terms of data protection, e.g. your ethnicity and health. As such, we need your explicit consent to collect and process your responses to these questions. They are not mandatory, and you are free to skip any or all of them if you wish. To read more about this, please consult our privacy notice.

25.	I consent to the council collecting and processing special category data according to th purposes outlined in its privacy notice.					
		Yes	(Go to Q26)			
		No	(End of survey)			
26.	What	is you	r ethnic group?			
	Categ	gories a	re based on those asked at the Census 2021			
		White	English, Welsh, Scottish, Northern Irish or British			
		White	e Irish			
		White	other			
		Gyps	y, Irish Traveller or Roma			
		Mixed	d or Multiple ethnic groups			
		Asian	or Asian British			
		Black	, Black British, Caribbean or African			
		Other	ethnic group – please specify:			
		Prefe	r not to say			
27.	Do yo	ou have	e a disability, long-term illness, or health condition?			
		Yes				
		No				
		Prefe	r not to say			

West Berkshire Council's Community Panel



If you're a resident of West Berkshire, and would like to be invited to participate in any of our future consultation or engagement exercises, you can apply to join our Community Panel via our online form -

https://www.westberks.gov.uk/community-panel-apply - or by calling or emailing the Performance, Research and Risk team on 01635 503043 / rcpteam@westberks.gov.uk



Thank you for taking the time to provide your feedback. Please return your completed survey to:

Draft Local Transport Plan 2025-2040 Consultation
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West Berkshire Council
Council Offices
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Newbury
RG14 5LD