



What support is available?

Hampshire County Council has a dedicated team of School Travel Plan Advisers who work with schools across the county to support them in developing and implementing a travel plan. By working with the School Travel Planning Team the school can gain the benefit of free advice from the Safer Routes to School Engineer. The Engineer will visit the school to advise on what measures could be implemented to address any concerns identified, both on and off the school site.

The first step is to contact the School Travel Planning Team and arrange for an adviser to visit your school and meet with any interested parties. This may be the Headteacher, a staff member (e.g. Bursar, Site Manager), a governor or interested parent. As well as talking through the process, the adviser will explain the ongoing help and guidance the school receives, provide a range of materials for the school to use in developing their travel plan and introduce some of the initiatives available.

To arrange a meeting with a School Travel Plan Adviser or if you have any questions and would like to contact a member of the team please e-mail

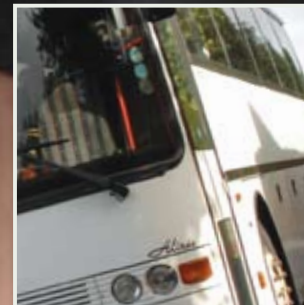
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Useful links

Hampshire County Council's Passenger Transport Group website
www.hants.gov.uk/passengertransport

Hampshire County Council's Road Safety Team website
www.hants.gov.uk/roadsafety



How will travel planning benefit my school?

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What is a School Travel Plan?

School Travel Planning is the process by which the whole school community is involved in identifying and developing ways to make journeys to and from school safer, healthier and more environmentally sustainable. Journeys made during the school day can also be looked at. The process results in the production of a School Travel Plan (STP) which is a document designed to evolve with the changing needs of the school and its pupils.



Why develop a School Travel Plan?

There are a range of reasons Independent Schools develop a STP. Some of these are listed below but your school may have other motivations to put one in place.

- Ways to **reduce car use and congestion** can be considered, for example, car sharing, park and stride, school buses or shuttle buses.
- To enable schools to bid for Hampshire County Council's Safer Routes to School **funding**.
- Developing a STP creates opportunities for pupils to prepare for life beyond full time education by learning essential **road safety skills**.
- Pupils gain an **increased awareness** of their travel options and understanding of the environmental impact of their choices.
- A STP helps to promote a school's positive ethos by demonstrating its commitment to the immediate health and safety of the pupils and to **fostering independence** for their future.
- To promote the benefits of active travel for pupils and **encourage healthier lifestyles**.
- For certain changes or extensions on the school site, where a **planning application** is required, production of a STP may be a condition. If the school intend to make changes in the future it may be useful to develop one while the help is available from Hampshire County Council.
- The process can help schools develop links with the **local community**.

There will be other benefits your school community will derive from travel planning including curriculum links, pupil voice and evidence toward the Inspection Schedule.