

Wellington Road Multi-Modal Corridor Study

The purpose of this event is to seek your views on proposed options for responding to problems/issues identified on the Wellington Road Corridor. The options being presented have been developed in consultation with a wide range of stakeholders. This stage of consultation will be very helpful in providing assurance that the key messages have been correctly picked up from the community and will enable finalisation of this part of work.

Please take time to consider the information presented in this Exhibition and provide any comments you may have by 20 December 2017.

Comments can be made on the feedback forms provided and placed in the box at this exhibition or sent by email or post. Please email your comments to transportstrategy@aberdeencity.gov.uk or alternatively post to:

AECOM, 22 Centurion Court, North Esplanade West, Aberdeen, AB11 5QH

You can also visit the Consultation Hub on the Aberdeen City Council website to provide comments.

Background to the Study

Study Purpose:

To define and assess the options for improving strategic transport connections and active travel along the Wellington Road Corridor in Aberdeen.

This study is being informed using the nationally recognised option assessment method, Scottish Transport Appraisal Guidance (STAG). It considers all modes of transport including walking, cycling, public transport and roads-based measures.

STAG follows an objective-led process involving:

- Ø Identification of problems and opportunities
- Ø Setting of Transport Planning Objectives to help address the identified problems and opportunities
- Ø Generation of options with the potential to meet the study objectives
- Ø An assessment of the options generated against:
 - § The study Transport Planning Objectives
 - § Aspects of implementability (feasibility, affordability and public acceptability)
 - § The five Scottish Government STAG appraisal criteria (Environment, Safety, Economy, Integration and Accessibility & Social Inclusion)



Study Process & Timeline

- Ø Pre-Appraisal Study (2014/15) to understand problems and opportunities on the corridor based on data analysis and consultation.
- Ø Current work (2017) is focussing on a STAG Part 1 Study:
 - § Further Data Analysis and Consultation, including Online Survey (spring 2017), to confirm problems and opportunities, and study Transport Planning Objectives
 - § Option Generation
 - § Option Appraisal
 - § **This event will be used to help finalise the outcomes of the STAG Part 1 Study**
- Ø Future work (STAG 2) will focus on a more detailed assessment of options for delivery.



You Told Us...

Traffic congestion along the route

Right-turning traffic holds up vehicles travelling on Wellington Road

Long journey times

Air quality problems

Lack of (quality) cycle links – exclusive use lanes should be provided

Approx. 200 surveys completed in spring 2017

Difficulties accessing parts of the Corridor from side roads at peak times of the day

Lack of (quality) pedestrian links

Bus lane causes problems by requiring other vehicles to queue back

Roundabouts on the route should be improved

Additional road lanes should be provided

More/better pedestrian and cycle crossings required to address safety concerns on route

Concern over the number of development proposals on the Corridor and their potential impacts

Transport Planning Objectives

Transport Planning Objectives (TPOs) have been developed based on analysis of existing problems, issues, constraints and opportunities and outcomes of consultation.

These are used to assess how well options developed for the study perform.

TPO1 – Provide greater priority to sustainable modes of transport on the Corridor and facilitate locking in of the benefits of the AWPR.

TPO2 – Facilitate efficient movement of freight on the Corridor.

TPO3 – Reduce and manage traffic demands at key pinch points on the Corridor, taking cognisance of the framework provided by the Roads Hierarchy.

TPO4 – Improve accessibility to employment and education areas on the Corridor.

TPO5 – Promote a Corridor which is safe for all users.

TPO6 – Promote a transport corridor which supports air quality improvement strategies and improves public health.

Option Sifting Process



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options generated at
Pre-Appraisal stage,
2014/15



Sifted Options	
1	Pedestrian Improvements
2	Segregated Cycle Lanes
3	Off-Road Dual Use Cycleways
4	Craigshaw Drive Dual Use Cycleway
5	Toucan Crossing, Abbotswell Road
6	Toucan Crossing, Langdykes Road
7	More / Better Crossings at Southerhead and Hareness Roundabouts
8	Shared Bus / HGV Priority Lane
9	Southerhead Roundabout Improvements
10	Hareness Roundabout Improvements
11	Additional capacity between Southerhead and Hareness Roundabouts
12	Upgrade to dual carriageway at former HM Craiginches Prison Site
13	Closure / Access Restriction at the Redmoss Road / West Tullos Road Central Reserve
14	Variable Message Signs (VMS)
15	Wellington Road Corridor Sustainability Package
16	Wellington Road Corridor Bus Quality Package
17	Wellington Road Corridor LEZ Package
18	Wellington Road Corridor Right Turn / Traffic Signal Priorities Review Package
19	Directional Signage Review

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options retained after initial sift of the longer-list of 47 options taking into account evidence base, and broad consideration of likely impacts and aspects of deliverability



STAG Part 1 Appraisal Options	
1	Strategic Cycle Improvements (Segregated Cycle Lane or Off-Road Dual Use Cycleways) + Toucan Crossing, Langdykes Road
2	Shared Bus / HGV Priority Lane
3	Southerhead Roundabout Improvements + More/Better Crossings at Southerhead Roundabout
4	Hareness Roundabout Improvements + More/Better Crossings at Hareness Roundabout
5	Additional capacity between Southerhead and Hareness Roundabouts
6	Upgrade to dual carriageway at former HM Craiginches Prison Site
7	Wellington Road Bus Quality Package
8	Wellington Road Corridor Right-Turn / Traffic Signals Priorities Review Package

As part of current study, further option development and packaging undertaken based on review of updated evidence base, public and stakeholder consultation, and on-site audits

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options retained

Next Steps

- Ø The feedback from this Public Exhibition will be used by the study team to finalise the STAG Part 1 Appraisal for the Wellington Road Multi-Modal Corridor Study.
- Ø The outcomes of the study will be considered by Aberdeen City Council by summer 2018.
- Ø Aberdeen City Council will issue further Wellington Road Study updates during 2018.

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Thank you!