Hereford Transport Package (HTP) Walking, Cycling, Bus and Public

Space Improvements

Public Consultation

This consultation runs for six weeks, from 29 January to 11 March 2019



Easy Read

Hereford Transport Package



We would like to know what you think about the improvements we want to make to walking, cycling, buses and public space in Hereford.

Improvement means making something better.

These improvements are part of the Hereford Transport Package.

This aims to make the way we travel around Hereford better.



The Hereford Transport Package also includes a new road called a bypass.

This is still being designed and we will ask you about this later in 2019.

As part of the package we would like to lower traffic, cut pollution and give people more choice about how they travel.

An important part of this package is the things we can do to make access to public transport better, to make cycling and walking easier and safer.



We would like to encourage people to walk, cycle or travel by bus more often and make it easier so people don't have to use their car for short journeys.

Building a bypass will help us to make improvements in the city to help people to do this.

87% of people who responded to the last Hereford Transport Package consultation told us they liked the plans to improve walking, cycling, buses and public space.

We would like to hear your opinions on these proposals and to learn more about what would encourage and help you to walk, cycle or use the bus more often.

Overview



The Hereford Transport Package includes a bypass and improvements to walking, cycling, buses and public spaces.



The bypass will help reduce traffic and free up space on roads in the city.



This means we can have better walking, cycling, buses and public spaces.



The Hereford Transport Package aims to:

 Shorten the time it takes people to get to work









 Improve how the area is connected by creating more reliable journeys for people travelling through Hereford

 Look after and improve roads so accidents and breakdowns cause less problems for other people getting around Hereford



- Encourage healthier lifestyles by supporting walking, cycling and taking the bus (this is called active travel)
- Make the air cleaner and lower noise by lowering the number of vehicles in the city

 Join up walking and cycling routes

 Make it safer for all road users



Benefits



The walking, cycling, bus and public space improvements will work with the bypass and help meet the aims of the Hereford Transport Package.





Here are the benefits of these improvements:

Make better ways for people to travel around Hereford, instead of using a car

The routes will be connected and reliable so people find it easier to walk or cycle around the city.

Encourage healthier lifestyles

The routes will give more people the confidence to walk, cycle and travel by bus, keeping us healthier for longer.



Create a safer travel environment

We will look at making routes safer for walkers and cyclists in the city.



Make the air cleaner and lower noise

We will encourage people to use their car less, lowering noise and pollution.



Create better routes across roads, railways and the River Wye

The routes will link people with jobs and help people move more easily across the city.

Did you know?



49% of journeys to work in Hereford which are less than 3 miles are made by a motor vehicle.

Only **20%**

of journeys into Hereford are on foot (walking).

The air along the A49 through the centre of Hereford has more **harmful chemicals** than it should.

> **38%** of commuting trips in Hereford which are less than 1 mile are made by a motor vehicle.



People are becoming less active in Herefordshire. An inactive person spends **38%** more days in hospital than an active person.

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How we made the walking, cycling, bus and public space plans



Stage 1

In the first consultation we asked you what problems were most important.

We then made a set of aims for the Hereford Transport Package (HTP).



Stage 2

After that we found things we could make better about walking, cycling, bus and public space.

Making these things better supports the HTP aims.



Stage 3

The second consultation asked you to think of how we can make traffic, junctions and traffic free paths better, and how we can better use public space.

Stage 4

After looking at what you said we made plans to make walking, cycling, buses and public space better.

We would now like to hear what you think about these plans and what would encourage you to walk, cycle or use the bus more.

Stage 5

We will think about what you have said in this consultation and make more plans.

Stage 6

After we make these plans we will ask you what you think about them.

What you told us at our last consultation

57% wanted more space for walking, cycling and bus journeys



70% supported making junctions better for people who are walking, cycling or using the bus

64% agreed on making crossings better along and across main roads

64% supported traffic management measures including 20mph speed limits

63% liked the suggestion of improvements to traffic free paths for walking and cycling







Next steps





Old Market

You can let us know your views by: Filling out a questionnaire online at **www.herefordshire. gov.uk/HTP**

Or you can get support to fill it out at one of our consultation exhibitions, which are being held at:

 Left Bank on Tuesday 29 -Thursday 31 January 2019 between 11am-8pm

 Old Market kiosk on Monday 4 - Thursday 7 February 2019 between 10am-6pm





You can also fill out a copy of the questionnaire and return it to the freepost address:

FREEPOST: RTHL-BBZH-JATH (Hereford Consultation) Balfour Beatty Living Places Unit 3, Thorn Business Park, Rotherwas, Hereford, HR2 6JT

Your comments will be be kept confidential.



The closing date for responses is Monday 11 March 2019.



The exhibition will be on display from **Tuesday 12 February -Saturday 9 March 2019** (during opening hours) in the Hereford Library entrance space.

Hereford Transport Package Timeline



Further information









www.herefordshire.gov.uk /HTP

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