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Section 1 - About You

1.1 Where do you live?

I live in the Dorset Council area

1.2 Where do you work or study?

I work or study in the Dorset Council area

1.3 I am responding as...

A Parish or Town Council Member (optional: please tell us the name of the council)

Other:
Sherborne Town Council

Section 2 – Our Transport Strategy Vision

2 How much do you agree or disagree with the vision for the transport strategy?

Strongly Agree

Section 3 – Objectives

3 How much do you agree or disagree with each objective of our transport strategy?

Objective A - Objective A:
Agree

Objective B - Objective B:
Strongly Agree

Objective C - Objective C:
Strongly Agree

Objective D - Objective D:
Strongly Agree

Objective E - Objective E:
Strongly Agree

Objective F - Objective F:
Strongly Agree

Section 4 – Policies

4.1 How much do you agree or disagree with each policy in Objective A?

Objective A Policies - Policy A1: Reduce transport carbon emissions on a pathway compatible with national, regional and local budgets and net zero commitments:
Strongly Agree

Objective A Policies - Policy A2: Accelerate the uptake of zero-emission vehicles through the delivery of supporting infrastructure:
Strongly Agree

Objective A Policies - Policy A3: Improve local air quality and reduce key sources of pollution from transport to protect our health and the natural and historic environment:
Strongly Agree

Objective A Policies - Policy A4: Take a nature positive approach to transport design, delivery and maintenance to boost biodiversity:
Strongly Agree

4.2 How much do you agree or disagree with each policy in Objective B?

Objective B Policies - Policy B1: Establish a joined up, safe and attractive active travel network supported by appropriate infrastructure:
Strongly Agree

Objective B Policies - Policy B2: Promote the benefits of travelling actively within our communities:
Strongly Agree

Objective B Policies - Policy B3: Improve local access to health and leisure opportunities, green spaces, public rights of way, tourist destinations and heritage assets In other words: make it easier to reach parks, playgrounds, sports areas, and places to visit:
Strongly Agree

Objective B Policies - Policy B4: Active Travel Infrastructure for sustainable development:
Strongly Agree

4.3 How much do you agree or disagree with each policy in Objective C?

Objective C Policies - Policy C1: Improve sustainable access to our key tourism areas and manage the seasonal peaks in travel demand:
Strongly Agree

Objective C Policies - Policy C2: Maintain and improve connectivity and sustainable access for goods and people to local, regional, national and international gateways:
Strongly Agree

Objective C Policies - Policy C3: Improve access to education, training, employment and leisure/visitor destinations:
Strongly Agree

Objective C Policies - Policy C4: Promote sustainable and cost effective travel options and provision of local facilities in new developments using a 'vision led' approach:
Strongly Agree

Objective C Policies - Policy C5: Deliver and support residential and business behaviour change initiatives to encourage safe, healthy and greener travel:
Strongly Agree

4.4 How much do you agree or disagree with each policy in Objective D?

Objective D Policies - Policy D1: Improve the safety of all road users in accordance with the Dorset Road Safety Partnership Strategy and support its vision of zero road casualties by 2050:
Strongly Agree

Objective D Policies - Policy D2: Promote and co-ordinate road safety initiatives around schools to encourage sustainable forms of travel:
Strongly Agree

Objective D Policies - Policy D3: Improve personal safety for all journeys to ensure everyone can travel safely and go about their daily lives with comfort and ease:
Strongly Agree

4.5 How much do you agree or disagree with each policy in Objective E?

Objective E Policies - Policy E1: Maintain and enhance a resilient transport network that is adaptable and can withstand the impacts of more frequent and extreme weather events and climate change:
Strongly Agree

Objective E Policies - Policy E2: Manage our highway infrastructure and make the best use of road space to manage congestion, minimise traffic disruption, and improve journey time reliability for all journeys:
Strongly Agree

Objective E Policies - Policy E3: Embrace innovations in technology and materials to reduce carbon emissions and improve the effectiveness of network management and monitoring:
Strongly Agree

4.6 How much do you agree or disagree with each policy in Objective F?

Objective F Policies - Policy F1: Work with partner organisations to improve the connectivity within and between rural and urban areas and attractiveness of public transport as a travel choice:
Strongly Agree

Objective F Policies - Policy F2: Prioritise local bus services to make journeys quicker and more reliable:
Strongly Agree

Objective F Policies - Policy F3: Embrace new technologies, digital data and shared mobility models to transform how people access and use public transport:

Strongly Agree

Objective F Policies - Policy F4: Deliver high quality transport interchanges and clear passenger information to improve journeys involving more than one form of transport:

Strongly Agree

Objective F Policies - Policy F5: Deliver inclusive design that improves the travel experience of people with specific needs:

Strongly Agree

Section 5 – Implementation Plan

5.1 How much do you agree or disagree with the schemes / interventions included within the Bournemouth Christchurch and Poole (BCP) Area Plan?

BCP Area Plan - Bournemouth Christchurch and Poole (BCP) Area Plan:

Not sure

5.2 How much do you agree or disagree with the schemes / interventions included within the South Eastern Dorset Area Plan?

South Eastern Dorset Area Plan - South Eastern Dorset Area Plan:

Not sure

5.3 How much do you agree or disagree with the schemes / interventions included within the Central Dorset Area Plan?

Central Dorset Area Plan - Central Dorset Area Plan:

Not sure

5.4 How much do you agree or disagree with the schemes / interventions included within the Northern Dorset Area Plan?

Northern Dorset Area Plan - Northern Dorset Area Plan:

Strongly Agree

5.5 How much do you agree or disagree with the schemes / interventions included within the Western Dorset Area Plan?

Western Dorset Area Plan - Western Dorset Area Plan:

Not sure

Section 6 – Your opinion and additional comments

6.1 To what extent do you support the transport strategy?

Strongly support

6.2 What single thing would assist you most to meet your travel needs?

What single thing would assist you most to meet your travel needs?:

Greater flexibility with bus timetables to accommodate both early and late commuters during weekdays and at weekends.

6.3 Do you have any other comments that you wish to make related to the questions in this survey on our transport strategy and Implementation Plan?

Add your comments here:

I am writing to provide our feedback on the current Dorset Transport Plan as part of the ongoing consultation process. We appreciate the efforts made to enhance public transportation within this consultation and to promote sustainable travel within our town. Below are some detailed suggestions and observations that we believe could significantly improve the public transport experience for our community:

Review of Bus Stop Locations: A comprehensive review of bus stop locations throughout the town should be undertaken. This review should prioritise accessibility and convenience for passengers, ensuring that stops are strategically placed near residential areas, commercial hubs, and other key destinations. By optimising the placement of bus stops, we can enhance the overall usability of the public transport system.

Introduction of Electronic Bus Timetables: Implementing electronic bus timetables at our main bus stops will be a vital step towards modernising our transport infrastructure. Real-time updates will provide passengers with timely information regarding bus arrivals and departures, thereby reducing wait times and improving the overall travel experience. This innovation will also contribute to better planning and reduced congestion at bus stops.

Enhanced Bus Provision: To ensure that all areas of the town are adequately served, it is crucial to improve bus service frequencies and expand routes to connect the wider town effectively. Comprehensive bus provision will not only facilitate increased mobility for residents but will also support local businesses by ensuring easy access to commercial areas.

Consideration of a Hub Bus Stop: Establishing a central hub bus stop could significantly streamline connections between various routes and enhance the

interchange experience for passengers. This hub would serve as a focal point for transfers and connections, fostering a more integrated transport network.

Improved Weekend Timetables: Many residents rely on public transport during weekends for leisure and other activities. Therefore, enhancing weekend timetables to provide more frequent and accessible services will be beneficial. This enhancement will encourage greater use of public transport and reduce reliance on private vehicles.

Connectivity to Northern Dorset: Strengthening transport links to Northern Dorset is essential for fostering regional connectivity. By enhancing these links, we can facilitate access to critical services and opportunities, making our town a more attractive place to live and work.

Public Information Enhancement: We must improve the dissemination of public transport information both digitally and in hard copy formats. Clear signage, updated brochures, and an engaging online presence will help inform the public about routes, schedules, and fare structures, ultimately encouraging greater use of public transport.

No Idling Policy: To combat air pollution and promote sustainability, implementing a no idling policy for buses and other vehicles at bus stops is essential. This initiative will contribute to a cleaner environment and improve the overall health of our community.

Reducing Travel Miles and Decarbonising Journeys: We must explore innovative strategies aimed at reducing the miles travelled by individuals and goods within the region. Decarbonising essential journeys should be a priority, and we should consider options such as incentivising electric vehicles, promoting car sharing, and expanding both pedestrian and cycling infrastructure.

In conclusion, the implementation of these measures will contribute significantly to an efficient, user-friendly, and sustainable public transport system. I am grateful for the opportunity to provide feedback and look forward to seeing positive changes in our town's transport policies.

Section 7 - Your preferred mode of transport

7.1 Please select your most often used methods of transport over the last 12 months.

Transport Modes - Walking or wheeling:
Second most used

Transport Modes - Pedal bike:

Transport Modes - E-bike:

Transport Modes - Beryl bike or e-scooter hire:

Transport Modes - Mobility scooter:

Transport Modes - Bus:

Transport Modes - Train:
Third most used

Transport Modes - Taxi:

Transport Modes - Car or van as a driver:
Most used

Transport Modes - Car or van as a passenger:

Transport Modes - Motorcycle or moped:

Transport Modes - Other:

Other:

Section 8 - About You (Additional Details)

8.1 Please tell us your postcode. This will help us understand if there are different views from residents in different areas.

Postcode:
DT9 3JL

8.2 Please select your age group.

40 to 49

8.3 Do you consider yourself to be disabled as set out in the Equality Act 2010?

No

8.4 What is your sex?

Male

8.5 Is your gender the same as the sex you were registered at birth?

Yes

If you answered no, please enter the term you use to describe your gender. This is voluntary, so you can leave it blank if you prefer.:

8.6 What is your sexual orientation?

Heterosexual or straight

Other - please specify:

8.7 What is your ethnic group?

White: British

Other :

8.8 Please provide your email address if you would like to be contacted for any follow-up questions to your responses.

Email Address:

townclerk@sherborne-tc.gov.uk