

WIGAN BOROUGH CYCLING ACTION PLAN
ACTION PLAN 2005/06 – 2006/07

No.	Policy	Proposals	Progress	Responsibility
C1	Cycle Route Development and Maintenance			
C1.1	Review of existing network to assess potential against priorities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Produce maps to show existing network @ April 2000 baseline, and update annually. ➤ Key Routes and places mapped for Greater Manchester LTP 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Maps produced showing network. Need to be checked on ground (including signage). ➤ Completed May 2003 	<p>Planning & Regeneration</p> <p>Planning & Regeneration / Engineering Services</p>
C1.2	Development of quality network on highway - major routes/ safe routes to school/ to journey attractors	<p>Schemes:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mesnes Road / Kenyon Road / Bridgeman Terrace / Wigan Lane Cycle Lane ➤ Wigan Road Toucan ➤ Whitley Traffic Calming ➤ Standish QBC ➤ Spencer Road / Beech Hill Ave ➤ Link to Hindley Town Centre <p>See also C3.1</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Expected completion (first phase) March 2006. ➤ Expected completion 2005/06 ➤ Completed in 2005/06 ➤ Expected completion 2006/07 ➤ Expected completion 2006/07 	Engineering Services
	Development of quality network off highway. Links to regional / national network and neighbouring Local Authorities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Whelley – Amberswood (and associated links to Wigan Town Centre) part of the National Cycle Network Route 55. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ LTP 2 funding secured for 2006/07 – 125k 2007/08 – 150k 2008/09 – 250k 2009/10 - 350k 2010/11 – 350k <p>Discussions with Sustrans for possible match funding with LTP2 and also possible match funding from EDZ.</p>	Engineering Services

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C1.3	Cycle audits of new developments and highway schemes	➤ Introduce checklist system for assessing new developments in Development Control consultations	➤ Checklist produced by Engineering Services	Engineering Services
		➤ Introduce checklist system for assessing new highway schemes through safety audit	➤ Checklist produced by Engineering Services	Engineering Services
C1.4	Facilitate full integration with public transport	➤ Discuss with GMPTE and Rail representatives	➤ Continuing discussions. Provision of secure lockers at Public Transport Interchanges, (Atherton, Wigan Wallgate)	Engineering Services / Planning & Regeneration
		➤ Cycle routes to rail stations infrastructure improvements and promotion complementary to GMPTE station development zone work.	➤ Improvements to infrastructure and promotion of routes to Atherton, Hag Fold and Hindley rail stations expected in 2006/07.	Engineering Services
C1.5	Avoidance of increased cycle casualties	➤ Monitor accident statistics	➤ Annual Report produced	Engineering Services
C1.6	Review of highway maintenance regime	➤ All schemes included in programme to be assessed through checklist system for inclusion of cycling measures.	➤ Checklist produced by Engineering Services	Engineering Services

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C2	Cycle Security			
C2.1	Adequate cycle parking at education, estates, retail centres, public transport interchanges, leisure facilities, major attractions and workplaces	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Allocation of Local Transport Plan funding for development of programme for cycle stand provision in town centres and other key places 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Sheffield type stands to be located in 2005/06:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mesnes Park ➤ Wigan Town Centre ➤ Leigh Town Centre ➤ Platt Bridge Town Centre ➤ Tyldesley Town Centre ➤ Sheffield Stands provided in 2004/05:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Wigan town centre ➤ Golborne town centre ➤ Leyland Park ➤ Lee Lane Park ➤ Astley Street Park ➤ Lilford park 	Planning & Regeneration / Engineering Services / Wigan Leisure and Cultural Trust
C2.2	Adoption of cycle parking standards in new developments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Revised standards will be adopted along with the Replacement UDP (Policy A1E) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Adoption anticipated early 2006 	Planning & Regeneration
C2.3	Develop cycle theft reduction strategy with Greater Manchester Police	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Programme of security marking 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Regular events produced by Greater Manchester Police 	Greater Manchester Police
C3	Promotion and Encouragement			
C3.1	Develop a "Schools Travel Plan" (STP) to encourage reduced car use, increased cycling / walking and improve children's safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ School Travel Plan Strategy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Accepted by Cabinet. ➤ All schools are encouraged to include cycling initiatives where feasible within their school travel plan. ➤ 30 schools now involved in STP programme. Continuing consultation in 2005/6, including revisiting previous schemes for evaluation. 	Engineering Services

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C3.2	Establish a programme of “cycle friendly” employer initiatives; the Council to set an example and WBP to be requested to support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Cycling Policy adopted by the Council ➤ Participation in Regional Benchmarking 	<p>Cycling Policy adopted by Council – April 2003. Provides:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Cycle loans to employees ➤ Lockers for employees at council buildings – expansion programme being set out ➤ Mileage allowance for business-use cyclists ➤ Cycle promotion days and tie-in with national promotions ➤ Investigating provision of council staff cycle training ➤ Staff attendance at series of workshops to establish best practice, including hosting of workshop 	Corporate Group – Engineering Services (LTP Delivery Group) / Planning & Regeneration
C3.3	Provision of training for cyclists	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Year 3 pupils – playground programme available through schools – basic balance and cycle skills are taught ➤ 10 yrs + - On Road Training (10 hours per course) for children at primary schools and through the holiday scheme. Cyclist Workbooks for all children are provided. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Started with Year 6 pupils. Offered to all schools – on a first come first served basis and then on a rolling programme. ➤ Summer Courses available at various locations in the borough, for all young cyclists aged 10+ ➤ 449 children trained in 2005 ➤ 340 children trained in 2004 	Engineering Services - Road Safety

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C3.3	Provision of training for cyclists	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Module 1 - Training Cyclist Workbooks for all children ➤ Module 2 - On Road Training for children at schools with STP developed and at centres in summer holidays ➤ Participation in Neighbourhood Road Safety Initiative. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Started with Year 5 / 6 in STP Schools in Autumn Term. 17 School Courses with Year 6 Pupils. 7 summer courses over holidays with children over 10 years old. ➤ Participation in pilot initiative aimed at reducing road traffic casualties in deprived areas. 	Engineering Services - Road Safety
C3.4	Support development of links between cycle organisations to encourage more usage, particularly utility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Identify links with National Cycle Network 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Initial contact with Sustrans. Link with C1.2 	Planning & Regeneration

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C3.5	Sustained programme of publicity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ National Bike Week June 2005 ➤ Publicise progress made so far ➤ Focused cycling promotion ➤ Green Cycling' initiative to encourage 'environment-friendly cyclists' - self guided routes ➤ Develop publicity and promotion programme ➤ Strategy & Action Plan to be available on Web Site ➤ Publication of Strategy ➤ Strategies on display in cycle shops ➤ Production of Greater Manchester Cycle Network Map both for viewing on the Internet and on paper maps. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Ride for Health Bike Ride held June 2005 ➤ Get cycling roadshow held in Leigh June 2005 ➤ Press releases to be issued when required ➤ Promotion under development ➤ Promotion of all sustainable travel modes being considered by Wigan Sustainable Transport Partnership to tie in with WBP goals ➤ Route guides being developed from town centres to parks and countryside ➤ Being developed by Working Group to be launched when some of network is in place ➤ Strategy Pages and Action Plan added June 2002 ➤ Completed October 2003 ➤ Autumn 2004 ➤ Being developed Greater Manchester Transportation Unit in conjunction with other districts in Greater Manchester. Expected to be published in 2006/07. 	<p>Engineering Services</p> <p>Engineering Services</p> <p>Planning & Regeneration / Engineering Services / Leisure & Cultural Trust</p> <p>Planning & Regeneration / Engineers / Leisure and Cultural Trust - Parks and Countryside Service</p> <p>Engineering Services</p> <p>Planning & Regeneration</p> <p>Planning & Regeneration</p> <p>Planning & Regeneration Engineering Services</p> <p>Engineering Services</p>

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C4	Liaison with the Cycling Community and Community Involvement			
C4.1	Continue to serve Cycle Forum.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Cycle Forum replaced with Highway User Group. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Attendance at Highway User Group ➤ Consultation held with Highway User Group in 2005 as part of LTP2 process. Schemes put forward considered for inclusion in LTP2 programme. 	<p>Engineering Services / Leisure & Cultural Trust / Planning & Regeneration</p> <p>Engineering Services</p>
C4.2	Promote wider Community consultation and involvement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Liaison with general community ➤ Commission 'Wheels for all' initiative to undertake a feasibility study to establish a possible cycle project at Leigh Sports Village (including disability project, cycling for health, youth project, etc) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Links with Township Forums to be investigated. ➤ Consultation held with Township Forums in 2005 as part of LTP2 process. Schemes put forward considered for inclusion in LTP2 programme. ➤ Scope of study agreed with 'Wheels for all' ➤ Study to be undertaken between August and December 2005 	<p>Planning & Regeneration / Engineering Services</p> <p>Engineering Services</p> <p>Wigan Leisure and Culture Trust</p>

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C5	Resources			
C5.1	Seek resources to develop and implement programmes of work against each of the objectives / policies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ LTP allocations in future ➤ Various other Capital Programmes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Development of Network (See C1.2) & Provision of Sheffield Stands (See C2.1) ➤ NWDA /NEW LEAF Funding 	Planning & Regeneration