

Summary of Active Travel Board

15th June 2017

Consideration of Active Travel in the Governance & Delivery of Major Projects

The Board was given an overview on how Active Travel is considered throughout the delivery of major projects. The Board discussed various aspects of the process and how active travel is taken into consideration with discussion on the WeITAG review, potential linking with Health Impact Assessments (HIAs) and effective engagement with outside bodies. The Board also discussed improvements to communication between the projects team and active travel groups.

Active Travel Strategy in Powys

There was a presentation on how Powys County Council are trying to encourage people to walk more through signposting one mile long walking routes and distributing promotional material about these. The intention is that this will also develop into increased use of active travel. The Board heard how the Council aims to improve walking and cycling routes whilst also addressing behaviour change through campaigns and information. This work was originally aimed at Council staff and is now being extended to schools. The Board discussed how this initiative links with the Daily Mile programme and how evaluation will be carried out to determine the effectiveness. The Board also discussed how to encourage school involvement through engagement on a variety of measures and schemes.

Cycling UK's Toolkit

The Board was given a presentation on Cycling UK's Space for Cycling toolkit. This incorporates the Propensity to Cycle Tool which allows users to select different scenarios for growth in cycling and the likely distribution of journeys, along with the Cycle Environment Assessment Tool which can be used by members of the public to help inform local authorities on prioritising future routes.

Welsh Government Update

The Board was provided with an update on Welsh Government activity which included planning for the next active travel conference in spring 2018 and webinars with LAs in preparation for their Integrated Network Maps.

AOB**i. Active Travel to School Advisory Group**

An update was provided from this group including progress on the Doorstep to Desk Infographic, which is being finalised.

ii. School Route Review Toolkit

The Board was given a brief update on the School Route Review Toolkit which was launched by the Minister in May and also an update on Living Streets' School Travel Tracker.

iii. Board Members Updates

It was proposed that Board members provide a short update for each of their respective areas which will be circulated before each future meeting.

Date of next meeting: 19th October 2017