

1 School details

Name of school	St. Cuthbert's School
DfES school reference no.	909 3328
Type of school	Catholic Primary
Number on roll	174
Number of staff (it is highly recommended that a supplementary Travel Plan for staff and other school users is developed)	14
Age range of pupils	4-11
School contact details	
Head teacher	Miss Paula Holden
Address	East End Wigton
Postcode	CA7 9HZ
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Website	www.st-cuthbertswigton.co.uk
Working group contact	
Name	Greg Tognarelli
Address (if different to above)	as above
Telephone number	as above
Email address	as above
School situation and use	
Description of school locality/ catchment area	<p>St. Cuthbert's is a Catholic Primary school located on the outskirts of Wigton. The catchment area covers the whole of Wigton and includes both private and council houses. Some children come from outside the designated area because their parents want them to have a Catholic education and support the Christian ethos of the school.</p> <p>Wigton is a small market town with a large rural (farming) hinterland ranging from the Solway coast to the Lake District National Park. Employment in the town is centred on the Innovia factory producing cellulose packaging to an international client base. Appendix 1.1 is a map showing the location of Wigton, with appendix 1.2 showing the location of the school within the town.</p>

Facilities (e.g. playground, car park, sports hall, community centre)	At the front of the school there are two small car parks with room for 8 cars. Each car park is capable of holding about ten cars each. There is a school hall which is used for assemblies, PE and dining. There is a large playground which is used by both Infants and Juniors. There is also an adventure playground and a smaller playground which is used by the Foundation stage. The breakfast club begins at 8.00am with the after school club finishing at 5.00pm.
Number of entrances vehicle/pedestrian	One pedestrian entrance and one vehicle entrance into the school.
Core school times	8.50 - 3.15
Other uses (e.g. extra curricular/community access)	After school club/Breakfast club

Aims

This Travel Plan specifically aims at reducing car journeys to and from school, and reducing/preventing casualties on these journeys.

We want to encourage more journeys to school by bike or by walking.

To promote safe cycling to school.

To improve safety awareness on the roads and when walking.

The majority of children cross the main road at the start and end of each school day, we would support and initiatives to improve safety along the route.

Objectives (see notes for examples)

The Objectives defined by the Working Group are:

- 1) We wish to promote safe cycling to school.
- 2) We need to provide somewhere which offers secure bike storage.
- 3) Provide affordable bike helmets and cycle training.
- 4) To extend the provision of pedestrian training.
- 5) To investigate the possibilities of taking part in Walk to School Week in May 2008.
- 6) Increase awareness of transport choices and the environmental and health benefits of increased walking and cycling.

2 Working party - to develop and implement the plan

Names of people in the working party could include:

Co-ordinator (main school contact), Pupils, Staff, Governors, Parents, BWTS Capita Contact, County/Local/Parish Councilors, Police, Outside Agencies, Local bus operator, Members of local community.

Names, Positions and Responsibilities of working party members
<p>Greg Tognarelli - Teacher & Travel Plan Co-ordinator and link to school staff and governors Betty Franklin - BWTS Advisor - advice and support Mrs Shaw - Staff Member & Friends of the School - John Crouch - County Councillor.- Support and link to the community Pat Ackred - CCC Neighbourhood Development Officer. Andrew Butler - CCC Area Engineer - Community Travel Plan and highways advice Ed Noble - Capita Engineer. - Advice Highways issues</p>

How were people consulted? (e.g. working party meetings, surveys of pupils and staff, newsletters)
<p>Working group meeting held at St. Cuthbert's on Monday 17th September. Those not able to make the meeting were given regular updates by either Betty or Greg.(see notes 2.1) School Newsletter 'Headteacher's News' See appendix 2.2 The School Governors discussed the plan and its progress - See Agenda item 13 Appendix 2.3 On-line Surveys (Infants, juniors and staff) - more detail in section 3 Route Plotting exercise - more detail in section 3.</p>

3 Survey & route plotting carried out

Please attach survey results and analysis from BWTS website and keep a record of survey/route plotting

Baseline Data Survey

How do you travel to and from school?																
Year	Date of Survey	No. of Pupils	Bus		Car/Van		Car Share		Cycling		Rail		Walk		Other	
			no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%		
2007	Sept 07	138			75	54.3	3	2.2	7	5.1			52	37.7	1	0.7

How would you like to travel to and from school?																
Year	Date of Survey	No. of Pupils	Bus		Car/Van		Car Share		Cycling		Rail		Walk		Other	
			no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%		
2007	Sept 07	96	3	4	9	9	1	1	50	52	5	5	22	23	6	6

Notes
<p>The children are keen to cycle and improve their cycling skills Summaries of the on-line surveys (infants, juniors and staff) can be found in Appendix 3.1.</p>

Route Plotting (Primary: Year 5 or Secondary: Year 7)			
Year	Date of route plotting	Year Groups	No. of Pupils
2007	July 2007	5	31

Route Plotting Notes (e.g. comments made by pupils / any results found)
<p>Children travel from all over Wigton. They are not confined to one specific area. There is a mixture of walking, biking and car travel to get to the school from all over Wigton. Those who live the shortest distance from school all walk. There are also examples of walking to school from the longest distance. There are four children who travel from outside of Wigton. All four of these travel seperately by car. No one travels by bus.</p>

Add any additional local information known to the school (e.g. where pupils travel in from, particularly if travelling in by bus)

Notes
<p>The train station is too far away from the school to make it a viable option. The school is situated on the eastern edge of Wigton. The majority of the pupils live either in the western or southern parts of the town. There is no convenient bus stop for the school, although several services run along King Street past the school. Of these times of the service 554, 38 and 39 do not coincide with school times Service 300 is every hour from 8:00am till 5:00pm - Monday to Friday - See appendix 3.2</p>

4 Summary of transport and road safety problems

(Current problems on routes to the school, and reasons preventing sustainable travel to school)

<p>Problems at beginning and end of the school day with car parking on the main road in front of the school. No safe and secure storage for bikes. Problems with speeding motorists outside the front of the school.</p>
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5 Working party recommendations for action

Measures the school would like to see happen e.g. cycle storage

N.B. There are no guarantees that these recommendations will be actioned. Advice should be taken from a BWTS adviser on completing this section.

The Working Group decided upon a number of actions to achieve the objectives of this Travel Plan:

- A) Safe and secure bike storage. (1,2)
- B) Offer children discounted cycle helmets. (1,3)
- C) Investigate the possibilities of taking part in walk to school week in May 2008. (5)
- D) Promote safe walking and cycling to school. (1,3)
- E) Work through the Healthy School initiative to increase knowledge of benefits to the environment and health. (6)
- F) Keep parents updated on Travel Plan progress through Headteachers Newsletter.(1,2,3,4,5,6)

The number in () denotes the objective(s) addressed by the action.

The provision of a pedestrian crossing in front of the school. — It was felt that this would benefit those accessing the school on foot, but as it is already identified and being promoted via Wigton Community Travel Plan, we have not included it in among our key actions but feel that the Plan must recognise the action and the benefit it would bring to the school.

6 Targets - specific % targets for modal shift by yearly review date

Year		
Mode of Travel	Baseline Data i.e. original survey %	Target percentage for following year
Bus	0%	sustain at 0%
Car/Van	54.3%	decrease to 40%
Car Share	2.2%	increase to/sustain at 5%
Cycle	5.1%	increase to 10%
Rail	0%	increase to/sustain at 0%
Walk	37.7	increase to/sustain at 45%

Notes

No bus stops close to school
 Train station nowhere near school.
 Walking/cycling is seasonally affected. More children walk/cycle during the summer months.

7 Action Plan

Education and training targets (e.g. Primary: pedestrian skills training / Secondary: teenage cycle training)					
Measure	Year group	Number	Date	Action by	Notes & comments
Pedestrian skills training	5	31	July 07	Morag Slee	All children enjoyed the training. (Working Group Action (WGA) D)
Cyclewise level one training	4	27	Sept 07	Cyclewise	All children achieved Level one and are looking forward to Level two. (WGA D)
Cycling Proficiency	6	5	Aug 07	Cyclewise	All children passed. School hosted four days of training for children from Wigton area. (WGA D)
Cycling Proficiency	6	18	June 08	Briget Stanley	Year six children have the opportunity to do Cycling Proficiency training after SAT's (WGA D)

7 Action Plan

School based engineering targets (e.g. cycle storage)					
Measure	Cost	Timescale	Action by	Completed? (month/year)	Notes & comments
Bike sheds	£2,700	Summer 2008	Greg Tognarelli	May 08	Contact Kirkbride school for information on their new cycle storage. See photos in 7.1 for current facility. (WGA A)
Cycle helmets	£50	2008	Greg Tognarelli	Ongoing	Investigate the need and look to provide cycle helmets at reduced prices to encourage use. (WGA B)

7 Action Plan

Promotional / Publicity targets (e.g. newsletters)			
Measure	Date	Action by	Notes & comment
Keep parents informed on Travel Plan through Headteachers Newsletter.	Half termly.	Head	Greg Tognarelli to inform Head of progress. A copy of the December newsletter with an article on the School Travel Plan is in appendix 2.2. (WGA E,F)

Additional targets / action taken by school (e.g. walking bus, walk to school week, increase car sharing)			
Actions / Activities	Date	Action by	Notes & comment
Walking Bus	May 08	Greg Tognarelli	To be researched and set up in time for summer term 08. (WGA D,E)
Walk to School Week	May 08	Greg Tognarelli	School to apply to take part in May 08. (WGA D,E)

8 Review of Targets

This Travel Plan will be a working document and will be reviewed and updated annually by the working group. The school will complete the survey annually to assess any modal shift which may have occurred.

Survey Results

How do you travel to and from school?														
	Date of survey	Total No. of Pupils	Bus		Car/Van		Car Share		Cycling		Rail		Walk	
			no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%
Baseline	Sept 07	138	138		75	54.3%	3	2.2%	7	5.1%			52	37.7%
Yearly target %														
Baseline	Sept 08													
Yearly target %														
Baseline	Sept 09													
Yearly target %														

9 Cycle count

Cycle Count				
Date of count before	Cycle count	Measure Implemented	Date of count after	Cycle count

11 Comments & notes

Please include any photographic or informal records of activities, and achievements; and include details of any publicity gained. Add details of relevant national awards given to / working towards.

Pedestrian Crossing

We have issues with parents parking in front of the school on the yellow zig zag lines. We also have problems with the residents of the houses opposite the school. There have been occasions when they have parked, making it extremely difficult for the Lollipop lady to carry out her duties. The police are aware of both of these situations and sometimes take appropriate action. The Wigton (North) Community Action Plan proposals 42 and 60 would address these issues and make access to the school on foot better. The Working Group therefore felt that the Travel Plan should express support for the Community Travel Plan initiative.

Appendix 11.1 - Wigton (North) community Travel Plan.

Appendix 11.2 - Photos taken of the crossing area outside the school.

Fantastic Fun Cycle Skills Courses

During the 2007 summer holidays the school hosted a week of 'Fantastic Fun Cycle Skills Courses'. These were organised by Safer Roads for Cumbria and included a mix of courses that catered for children between the age of 7 and 14 offering to children from Wigton and the surrounding area a variety of bike training to meet their differing skill levels. Appendix 11.3 is a poster advertising this event.

APPENDICES

1.1 Location of Wigton

1.2 School location within the town

2.1 Notes from the Working Group Meetings

2.2 School Newsletter

2.3 Agenda from a School Governors Meeting

3.1 On-line Surveys (infants, juniors and staff)

3.2 Bus Timetables

7.1 Current bike parking

7.2 Estimate for new bike sheds

11.1 Wigton (North) Community Travel Plan

11.2 Photos at the crossing point outside the school

11.3 Fantastic Fun Cycle Skills Courses Poster

12 Signed agreement



St. Cuthbert's

School

agrees to this School Travel Plan, to undertake its objectives, and to review the Travel Plan on an annual basis. This review will also consider pupil travel needs arising from new developments in education and transport provision, and the STP will be revised as necessary to take these in to account.

Signatures	
Headteacher	Name:
	Signed:
	Date:
Chair of Governors	Name:
	Signed:
	Date:
Director / Deputy Director of Highways	Name:
	Signed:
	Date:
Director / Deputy Director of Education	Name:
	Signed:
	Date:
BWTS Coordinator	Name:
	Signed:
	Date:

Thank you for completing this School Travel Plan.

Please give details of the nominated person who will be responsible for the annual review of the School Travel Plan:

Greg Tognarelli