12. Smarter choices

12.1 Workplace travel

12.1.1 Workplace travel plans

At the end of March 2009 there were travel plans at 140 workplaces in Nottinghamshire, including the County Council. This total is made up of travel plans which were required as part of planning consent on new developments as well as travel plans at existing developments.

A review of travel plans in the county is to be undertaken to establish the number of active plans and the numbers of employees covered by a travel plan.

12.1.2 How workers are travelling to work

Tables 90 and 91 below show the distance people travel to work and how people usually travel to work respectively. The most recent complete data that is available is from the 2001 Census. Car use was by far the most popular form of transport. At that time 43% of work journeys were under 5km (or 3.1 miles), and 60% were under 10km (or 6.2 miles), yet 64% of people drove to work.

Table 90: Distance travelled to work

	Distance travelled to work (percentage)					
District	Under 2km	2-4.99km	5-9.99km	10-19.99km	20-29.99km	Over 30km
Ashfield	25%	21%	20%	13%	4%	4%
Bassetlaw	25%	15%	16%	18%	7%	7%
Broxtowe	23%	21%	19%	12%	3%	5%
Gedling	25%	19%	17%	13%	3%	3%
Mansfield	23%	27%	18%	11%	5%	3%
Newark & Sherwood	25%	16%	12%	16%	8%	5%
Rushcliffe	19%	14%	21%	15%	6%	5%
Nottinghamshire	24%	19%	17%	14%	5%	5%
East Midlands	22%	21%	18%	14%	5%	6%
England	20%	20%	18%	15%	5%	7%

Source: 2001 Census data

Table 91: Usual mode of travel to work

	Usual mode of travel to work (percentage)							
District	Walking	Bicycle	Bus	Train	Motor- cycle	Car or van	Other	Work at home
Ashfield	11%	3%	7%	1%	1%	70%	0.5%	7%
Bassetlaw	11%	3%	3%	1%	1%	71%	0.5%	9%
Broxtowe	9%	4%	11%	1%	1%	66%	0.3%	8%
Gedling	8%	2%	15%	1%	1%	65%	0.3%	8%
Mansfield	10%	2%	7%	1%	1%	71%	0.4%	7%
Newark & Sherwood	9%	5%	4%	1%	1%	68%	0.4%	11%
Rushcliffe	7%	3%	10%	1%	1%	69%	0.3%	10%
Nottinghamshire	10%	3%	11%	1%	1%	64%	0.4%	8%
East Midlands	10%	3%	7%	1%	1%	68%	0.4%	9%
England	10%	3%	8%	4%	1%	62%	3.5%	9%

Source: 2001 Census data

12.1.3 Car share take-up

Nottinghamshire supports an online countywide car share database called Nottinghamshare. There are currently 1,899 registered members on the database. An additional 584 members have been removed since 2006 due to inactive accounts. Table 92 below details the numbers of new members who signed up each year since 2006.

Table 92: Numbers of new Nottinghamshare members since 2006

Year	No. of new members
2006	164
2007	248
2008	392
2009	438
2010 (up to August)	122

12.2 School travel

12.2.1 School travel plans

83% of all schools in Nottinghamshire had an approved school travel plan at the end of March 2010. Mansfield only has one school without an approved plan and table 93 details the numbers of schools with travel plans in the county.

Table 93: Numbers of approved school travel plans in Nottinghamshire

District	No. of schools	No. of schools with a travel plan	% of schools with a travel plan
Ashfield	48	38	79%
Bassetlaw	58	44	76%
Broxtowe	43	34	79%
Gedling	50	38	76%
Mansfield	42	41	98%
Newark	52	46	88%
Rushcliffe	46	40	89%
Nottinghamshire	339	281	83%

Source: Nottinghamshire County Council

Over 77% of school pupils in the county attended a school with an approved travel plan at the end of March 2010. The numbers of primary aged pupils with an approved plan is far greater than secondary aged pupils with a plan as seen in table 94 below.

Table 94: School pupils covered by a travel plan

	Primary	Secondary	All pupils
Percentage of pupils in Nottinghamshire with a travel plan	85%	67%	77%

Source: DfT School Census data January 2010, mode of travel to school

12.2.2 How pupils are travelling to school

When comparing 2006/07 with 2009/10, the percentage of school pupils travelling to school by car in Nottinghamshire has decreased slightly, by 1.5%. This decrease, however, is amongst the 5-10 age group and hides an increase of almost 1% amongst the 11-15 age group. This reflects that 85% of pupils at primary schools have a travel plan, whereas only 67% of pupils at secondary school have a travel plan. How all pupils travel to school is shown in table 95 below. Table 96 shows how pupils at schools with a travel plan travel to school; whilst table 97 shows how pupils at schools with no travel plan travel to school. 6.5% of pupils travelling to school by car are travelling less than 0.5miles and a further 13% are travelling less than a mile by car. Comparisons between schools with a travel plan and those without a travel plan in 2009/10 show that there is very little difference in how pupils travel to these schools.

Table 95: How all pupils travel to school

	Usual mode of transport							
	Walking	Cycling	Public transport	Car (including vans and taxis)	Car share	Other		
2006/07 data								
Aged 5-10	56.3%	1.0%	3.9%	35.9%	2.8%	0.1%		
Aged 11-15	55.8%	2.9%	26.6%	13.6%	1.0%	0.1%		
All Ages	56.1%	1.8%	13.3%	26.7%	2.0%	0.1%		
2007/08 data								
Aged 5-10	57.2%	0.8%	3.5%	35.3%	3.0%	0.2%		
Aged 11-15	53.3%	2.8%	30.0%	12.4%	1.1%	0.5%		
All Ages	55.4%	1.7%	15.6%	24.9%	2.2%	0.3%		
2008/09 data								
Aged 5-10	57.9%	0.8%	3.2%	34.6%	3.2%	0.3%		
Aged 11-15	52.2%	3.0%	28.4%	14.1%	1.2%	1.2%		
All Ages	55.3%	1.8%	14.9%	25.1%	2.2%	0.7%		
2009/10 data								
Aged 5-10	58.5%	0.9%	2.8%	34.7%	3.0%	0.2%		
Aged 11-15	52.6%	2.8%	27.3%	14.5%	1.2%	1.7%		
All Ages	55.7%	1.8%	14.3%	25.2%	2.1%	0.9%		

Source: DfES survey data

Table 96: How pupils at schools with a travel plan travel to school

	Mode of travel							
	Walking	Cycling	Public transport	Car (including vans and taxis)	Car share	Other		
2006/07 data								
Aged 5-10	57.0%	1.1%	3.3%	35.4%	3.0%	0.1%		
Aged 11-15	51.3%	2.0%	31.7%	14.5%	0.4%	0.2%		
All Ages	55.5%	1.3%	10.9%	29.8%	2.3%	0.1%		
2007/08 data								
Aged 5-10	57.6%	0.8%	3.0%	35.0%	3.4%	0.2%		
Aged 11-15	47.3%	2.6%	36.4%	12.9%	0.6%	0.2%		
All Ages	54.3%	1.4%	13.5%	28.1%	2.5%	0.2%		
2008/09 data								
Aged 5-10	58.1%	0.8%	2.9%	34.6%	3.4%	0.2%		
Aged 11-15	51.7%	3.4%	28.8%	15.1%	0.9%	0.2%		
All Ages	55.7%	1.8%	12.5%	27.4%	2.5%	0.2%		
2009/10 data								
Aged 5-10	59.1%	0.9%	2.6%	34.1%	3.1%	0.2%		
Aged 11-15	51.8%	3.1%	28.1%	14.9%	1.2%	0.9%		
All Ages	56.0%	1.8%	13.3%	26.0%	2.3%	0.5%		

Source: DfT School Census data January 2010, mode of travel to school

Table 97: How pupils at schools with no travel plan travel to school

	Mode of travel							
	Walking	Cycling	Public transport	Car (including vans and taxis)	Car share	Other		
2006/07 data								
Aged 5-10	53.0%	0.4%	6.6%	38.4%	1.5%	0.0%		
Aged 11-15	59.2%	3.7%	22.8%	12.9%	1.4%	0.1%		
All Ages	57.4%	2.7%	18.0%	20.5%	1.4%	0.0%		
2007/08 data								
Aged 5-10	55.5%	0.5%	5.5%	36.8%	1.6%	0.1%		
Aged 11-15	58.2%	2.9%	24.7%	11.9%	1.5%	0.7%		
All Ages	57.4%	2.2%	19.3%	18.9%	1.5%	0.5%		
2008/09 data								
Aged 5-10	56.9%	0.6%	4.9%	34.4%	1.8%	1.4%		
Aged 11-15	53.0%	2.4%	27.8%	12.7%	1.5%	2.6%		
All Ages	54.1%	1.9%	21.3%	18.9%	1.6%	2.3%		
2009/10 data								
Aged 5-10	54.3%	0.6%	4.2%	39.0%	1.8%	0.0%		
Aged 11-15	54.6%	2.1%	25.2%	13.3%	1.3%	3.5%		
All Ages	54.5%	1.6%	18.2%	21.9%	1.5%	2.3%		

Source: DfT School Census data January 2010, mode of travel to school