

Teviot & Liddesdale Area Partnership

Transport related discussion output to date

Issues:

Impact of roadworks on businesses

Poor transport corridors – North, South, East and West

Road deterioration – HGVs, bridges etc

People need to travel for learning but cost of travelling is expensive

Transport to BGH is rare and expensive

People didn't use the small bus scheme transporting people to the BGH

Lack of transport to Langholm High School for young people in Newcastleton

Transport needs to be improved for housing in the countryside

Solutions

Improved communication between SBC and D&G (roadworks etc)

Extension of railway line will draw people in to the area

Litter bins needed in laybys

Future technologies – ie electric vehicles

Parking on Hawick High Street needs to be policed as cars parked all day

Development of cycle pathways

Rural Transport Discussion Points	Comments	Suggestions
<p>Rural bus network How could rural bus networks better meet the needs of users?</p> <p>What role could technology have in providing a better service?</p> <p>Examples of good rural networks?</p>	<p>What is the need in the area for public transport? Connectivity is a real issue – very difficult to travel from A-B-C</p> <p>Review possibility of smaller buses being used to pick up passengers and transport them to main buses</p> <p>What is the sustainability of initiatives Who would need to invest in IT Infrastructure?</p> <p>The number of people using the feeder bus services has dropped due to the certainty of whether there will be space for them on the X95.</p>	<p>Ask Border Buses what take up there is of local and borders wide routes and get feedback from passengers on what their transport needs are.</p> <p>Could set up passenger groups using IT platforms to plan journeys/ use of local transport.</p> <p>Online booking system could drive/determine what size of transport is needed for the journey ie a taxi, small bus etc.</p> <p>Use of technology/smart bus signs that show when next bus is due/minutes to wait</p> <p>Flexibility in school service to go further than just as ‘far as the last pupil’s stop.’</p>
<p>Community transport Examples or ideas of flexible and innovative community transport solutions?</p> <p>Could communities play more of a role in providing transport solutions / opportunities?</p> <p>Are there other transport schemes we could learn from?</p>	<p>Post buses provided transport opportunities- could they be re-instated?</p> <p>Yorkshire community transport model</p> <p>Liability can make community transport difficult</p> <p>Is there sustainability of funded transport programmes</p> <p>Pembroke Association of Community Transport Pacto</p> <p>Dial a bus</p> <p>G Bike scheme- more funding required- use windfarm money?</p> <p>There is community operated transport in Newcastleton</p>	<p>Use smart boards in shops to inform people when the next bus is.</p> <p>NHS scheduling could be more flexible to group patient appointments based on where they live.</p>

	<p>Community transport undertook 31,000 passenger journeys in the Borders last year.</p> <p>Need to expand the consultation to a wider audience – not just current users but also those that want to use passenger transport but can't (for whatever reason) inc. school children. It should be a CPP consultation (not just SBC). Frontline staff can engage with their clients.</p>	
<p><i>Other transport solutions</i> What role could the new SBC E-Car club scheme & other car club schemes, and South of Scotland Economic Partnership, play in improving transport opportunities in the area?</p>	<p>Car clubs could be set up but what liability of transporting people as a community scheme? Need a facility for people to share what journey they need to make and ask for a car scheme share</p> <p>E Car club to be routed on to rural areas? Explore energy points Scotland model. Not enough charging points in rural locations</p>	<p>Is there any opportunities from businesses driving in the area to carry passengers Encourage incentives for sharing cars to work, using cycle schemes etc</p> <p>Base e-cars at village halls, community could establish a pool of volunteer drivers.</p> <p>Private bus companies could take (paying) passengers on the first and last journeys of the day i.e. outward and inward journey from/to the depot.</p>