

Active Travel Action Plan List of Projects

The Active Travel Action Plan must align with national, regional, and local strategies and policies as noted in the policy context chapter earlier. However, it is also important that the feedback and comments provided during the consultation process are also taken into consideration and are represented in the list of projects that will be taken forward during the lifetime of the action plan. A number of other sources of information and feedback have also been drawn upon to develop the list of projects within this Action Plan, namely an [Origin-Destination study](#) looking at the most common movements to, from and within Aberdeen for work and education, and comments received in response to our Spaces for People engagement activities. A number of actions from the last Plan have also been carried forward.

We know that the city centre remains a key priority for active travel improvements, and we have already set out detailed plans for addressing this area in our [City Centre Masterplan](#) and [Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan](#). This Action Plan does not therefore set out new projects for the city centre area, although progress on delivering these will be communicated in future progress reports and updates.

Likewise, the key radial corridors to and from the city centre remain priorities for active travel improvements. The 2019 Roads Hierarchy review identified the following network of priority and secondary corridors, recommending that improvements be made to these to support safe and efficient travel by all modes, including active travel:

Priority radial routes:

- AWPR / Blackdog junction to King Street / Mounthooly Way junction (A92/A956 north).
- AWPR / Parkhill junction to Inverurie Road junction (A947).
- AWPR / Craibstone junction to Mounthooly Roundabout (A96).
- AWPR / Kingswells South junction to Mounthooly Roundabout (A944).
- A944 / Skene Road junction to Woolmanhill Roundabout (previously B9119, now A9119).
- AWPR / Deeside junction to Holburn Street (A93).
- AWPR / Charleston junction to Leggart Terrace (A92 South).
- AWPR / Charleston junction to North Esplanade West (A956 Wellington Road); and
- Berryden Corridor

Secondary orbital route:

- Parkway / Ellon Road to Bridge of Dee via Anderson Drive (A92).

Secondary radial routes:

- Mounthooly Way to King Street (A96 West North Street).
- King Street / Mounthooly Way to North Esplanade West / Palmerston Place (A956).
- Woolmanhill Roundabout to North Esplanade West (B983).
- Craibstone Roundabout to Dyce Drive (B984 Airport Road).
- Great Southern Road to Coast Road (B985 West Tullos Road and Hareness Road).
- Parkway / Gordon Brae junction to Tillydrone Avenue / St. Machar Drive junction (B988 Diamond Bridge).
- Mounthooly Roundabout to King Street (B990 Mounthooly Way).
- Great Northern Road to King Street (B991 St Machar Drive).
- AWPR to Murcar Roundabout (B999).

- Scotstown Road to Ellon Road junction, with alignment changing from Balgownie Road to North Donside Road (B997); and
- AWPR to Holburn Street (B9077 South Deeside Road and Great Southern Road).

As part of the delivery of the revised hierarchy, these corridors will be subject to improvement strategies on a prioritised basis. Currently underway are:

- A944/A9119 Westhill to Aberdeen multimodal corridor study - Preliminary Appraisal complete.
- A956 Wellington Road multimodal corridor study – Detailed Appraisal due for completion summer 2021.
- External Transport Connections to Aberdeen South Harbour study (which considers the B985 Hareness Road) - Detailed Appraisal now complete;
- Ellon Park and Ride to Garthdee corridor study (which includes the A92/A956 north) - due for completion in summer 2021; and
- A96 Inverurie to Aberdeen corridor study – due for completion late 2021.

It is likely that delivery of some of the active travel elements of these studies will commence during the life of the Action Plan, and further priority and secondary corridor strategies brought forward.

It is therefore the role of the Action Plan to complement these existing plans and consider what else may be required beyond the city centre and main transport corridors to ensure a coherent and holistic active travel network can be developed throughout the city.

The lists below are divided into infrastructure projects, behaviour change projects and complimentary measures.

Infrastructure Projects

Project	Lead	Timescale	Current Status
Spaces for People	Transport Strategy and Programmes (TSAP)	2020-2021	Ongoing programme of temporary active travel infrastructure measures to help facilitate social distancing in response to Covid pandemic. Will be monitored and reviewed as the situation with the pandemic evolves.
Union Terrace Gardens redevelopment	Economic Development (ED)	2021	Work is ongoing to redevelop this area including installation of active travel infrastructure.
Continue to ensure active travel infrastructure is upgraded or	TSAP/Development Management (DM)	Ongoing	Ongoing

introduced in all new developments			
Continue winter maintenance regime	Roads Maintenance	Ongoing	Ongoing
Annual programme of footway and cycleway maintenance	Roads Maintenance	Ongoing	Ongoing
Craigshaw Drive segregated cycle route	Roads Projects	2021	Construction programmed 2021
Marywell to Aberdeen cycle route	Roads Projects	2021-2022	Design programmed 2021, construction 2022
Bridge of Don to City Centre cycle route(s) study	TSAP	2021-2026	Five options have been identified from the appraisal report as priority routes to be taken forward for further analysis. These are detailed below
Golf Road/Park Road Active Travel Improvements	TSAP	2021+	New active travel route east of King St, using a mix of existing carriageway and new segregated routes, with new river bridge at northern extent. Park Road has been identified as a route that ACC are considering for a HGV ban and was therefore identified as being suitable for a cycle route.
Industrial Estate to city centre via Esplanade Active Travel Improvements	TSAP	2021+	New active travel route from the A92 Parkway roundabout to the city centre via the Esplanade, using existing alignments with increased segregation, shared-use paths, and footway improvements. This route makes use of the considerable road and footway space available on the

			Esplanade and aims to serve the leisure facilities from both the city centre and from Bridge of Don.
King Street Active Travel Improvements	TSAP	2021+	New active travel route along King Street from just south of the Bridge of Don to Castle Street, with significant segregation, junction upgrades and full resurfacing. This route looks to improve upon the main corridor from the city centre to Bridge of Don while considering that King Street will remain as a Primary Route in terms of the Roads Hierarchy and will be the main HGV route north from the city centre.
Whitestripes to city centre Active Travel Improvements	TSAP	2021+	An alternative route option would use St Machar Road between Tillydrone Road and Great Northern Road where it would follow the Berryden Corridor Improvement Project south to Ashgrove Road. This would be in lieu of routeing along Bedford Road and Powis Terrace.
Haudagain to city centre Active Travel Improvements	TSAP	2021+	New active travel route from Whitestripes Road (by Grandhome development) to the city centre via Tillydrone and Old Aberdeen, incorporating existing segregated and off-road active travel paths, including the

			NCN 1 and the Tillydrone Road and Gordon Brae facilities. The route also identifies improvements on the NCN 1 within the city centre.
Outcomes from North Dee, South Dee, and Dyce travel planning work	TSAP	2021-2026	<p>Footway widening Howe Moss Drive; new cycle path routes at Wellheads Drive to A947, also at Sclattie Allotments; toucan crossing A947; dropped kerbs and tactile paving at 37 locations across Dyce.</p> <p>North Dee – Some infrastructure improvements identified split into long and short term Short terms includes dropped kerbs and long term includes speed limit changes, more active travel provision. No programme but acknowledges this may be delivered through the SUMP,</p> <p>South Dee – Longer term recommendations includes speed limit changes, more active travel provision. No programme but acknowledges some items may be delivered through the Wellington Road/ ASH projects</p>
Bridge of Dee West	TSAP	2021-2026	Phased delivery identified, first phase

			design 2021, construction 2022
Continued expansion of River Don path network	Think this is Core Paths leading	2021-2026	
Bridge of Dee Study – ped/cycle bridge	TSAP	2021-2026	
Anderson Drive/Lang Stracht/Westburn Drive crossing improvement	Roads Projects	2021-2022	Construction programmed 2022
King Street / St. Machar Drive roundabout removal	Traffic Management	2021+	Currently considering designs for replacement of roundabout with a signalised junction. Active travel options being considered include advanced stop lines and two stage right turns, cycle bypasses with toucan crossing and a 'Dutch style' junction. The current end date for this stage of the project is Mid-March.
Torry to City Centre active travel improvements	TSAP	2021-2026	This corridor was identified through the Origin and Destination (O&D) survey and will be prioritised in line with the criteria set out in the O&D survey. Feasibility and appraisal work will commence during the life of the plan.
Mastrick to ARI and Tillydrone active travel improvements	TSAP	2021-2026	Identified as a major health corridor as part of Origin and Destination survey. Will require feasibility and appraisal work.
Holburn Street corridor	TSAP	2021-2026	

			Included within the Ellon to Garthdee multimodal corridor study, due to be reported in July 2021.
King Street corridor	TSAP	2021-2026	Identified as a major route especially between Mounthooly and the River Don and between Seaton and Powis. Included within the Ellon to Garthdee multimodal corridor study, due to be reported in July 2021.
Bedford Road-St Machar Drive corridor	TSAP	2021-2026	Identified as busiest movement in the city in Origin and Destination survey. Will require feasibility and appraisal work.
Midsocket Road	TSAP	2021-2026	Identified as a major route in Origin and Destination survey. Will require feasibility and appraisal work.
College Street	TSAP	2021-2026	Active travel improvements form part of Phase 1 of the South College Street Junction Improvements, due to be operational from summer 2022.
Queens Road (A9119)	TSAP	2021-2026	Identified as a major route in Origin and Destination survey. Forms part of A944/A9119 corridor study, Preliminary Appraisal of which is now complete.
Traffic calming / 20mph zones roll out	Traffic Management and Road Safety (TM&RS)	Ongoing	

Cross City Connections	TSAP	Ongoing	A large number of potential active travel schemes were identified through the Cross City Connections study. These schemes are currently subject to further work to identify those that provide significant benefits and are suitable for development in the short term. A delivery programme of the schemes identified will be developed as part of this process.
A92 Murcar North	TSAP	2021	Construction of shared use path programmed for summer 2021
A92 parkway	TSAP	2022	Construction of shared used path programmed early 2022
Airport Road to Dyce Drive	TSAP	2022	Construction of shared use path programmed early 2022
Wayfinding	TSAP	2021	Review completed and new signage being installed. 16 Wayfinding totems now installed with a further 2 manufactured but awaiting installation at Aberdeen South Harbour and Aberdeen Rail Station. Delayed due to other works in both locations but should be delivered in the life of the plan
Cycle Signage Audit and Action Plan	TSAP	2021+	Undertake cycle signage audit and develop and deliver

			action plan to improve cycle signage provision throughout the city
Improve and increase cycle Parking	TSAP	Ongoing	Ongoing programme of improvements to cycle parking provision throughout the city

Behaviour Change Projects

Project	Lead	Timescale	Current Status
Bike Hire Scheme	TSAP	2020-2021	Tenders invited to run scheme on a commercial basis
I Bike Scheme	TSAP	Ongoing	Ongoing, subject to continued funding
Smarter Choices, Smarter Places (SCSP)	TSAP	Ongoing	Continue with SCSP projects subject to funding stream continuing.
School Travel Plan Guidance	TSAP	2021-22	Update guidance to reflect current national policies and guidance
Promotion of Getabout brand	Getabout partnership	Ongoing	Continue to work with partners to promote Getabout brand and promote active travel.
Bike Life	Sustrans	2021-2022	TSAP data collection exercise underway
Aberdeen Cycle Map	TSAP	Annually	Updated annually to show changes to routes and available as hard copy and online
Go Abz Discover – Walking trail maps via Go Abz App	TSAP/ Communications Team	2021	Design
Travel Information Leaflets for North and South Dee	NESTRANS/ TSAP	2021	Produced and awaiting distribution when people return to workplaces
Origin and Destination workshop –	TSAP	2021	To be booked for 2021

Information dissemination for stakeholders			
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Complementary Measures

Project	Lead	Timescale	Current Status
Refresh of Regional Transport Strategy (RTS)	Nestrans	2021	Refresh has been completed and work will now progress to deliver the strategy.
Refresh of Local Transport Strategy (LTS)	TSAP	2021-22	The LTS will be reviewed and updated to reflect current national, regional, and local policies and strategies.
Prepare supplementary Guidance on accessibility for new developments for new Local Development Plan (LDP)	TSAP	2021	New supplementary guidance to be produced to take into account new national and regional policies and aims and objectives of new ATAP
Low Emission Zone (LEZ)	TSAP	2018-2022+	The Council is working towards the delivery of a LEZ in Aberdeen, an area where the most polluting vehicles will be restricted from entering. This will support aspirations of the CCMP and the SUMP in terms of developing a more pleasant city centre environment for walking and cycling. Detailed traffic modelling and public and stakeholder engagement on options is taking place in 2020, with a view to

			identifying a preferred option in 2021.
Renewal of hydrogen bus fleet	Economic Development (ED)	Ongoing	New low carbon hydrogen buses on key city route to improve air quality and encourage more sustainable and active transport journeys
Develop and deliver Electric Vehicle (EV) Framework	TSAP	2021+	Develop and implement an EV Framework which will help to encourage sustainable transport journeys and help to improve air quality within the city, thus creating a greater sense of place.
Develop Car Parking Framework	TSAP	2021+	As part of the LTS review, develop and deliver a Car Parking Framework that allows for short journeys particularly within the city centre to be made by active travel, whilst still providing an appropriate level of parking provision within the city.
A Road Safety Plan for Aberdeen City 2019-2022	TM&RS	2019-2022	Ongoing
Undertake Active Travel Network Review	TSAP	2021+	Undertake a thorough active travel network review and gap analysis as part of the review of the Local Transport Strategy, incorporating the findings of the Bike Life project, and ensure this is reflected in future

			iterations of the ATAP.
Aberdeen Car Club expansion	TSAP	2021+	Continue to implement more vehicles as Developer Contributions become available and in line with car club demand. Car club users are proven to also use active travel more often so its promotion and expansion can assist with active travel uptake
Bus Lane Enforcement	TSAP/ Roads Operations	Ongoing	Enforcement continues to encourage less misuse of bus lanes (which cyclists can also use) and monies generated can help fund transport schemes including active travel