



To: **GREENER RENFREWSHIRE THEMATIC BOARD**

On: **3 JUNE 2015**

Report by:  
Greener Transport Sub-Group

## **GREENER TRANSPORT UPDATE ON PROGRESS**

### **1. Summary**

- 1.1 This report records progress made so far in delivering actions endorsed by the March Greener Thematic Board meeting and the details of the first Greener Transport sub-group meeting.

### **2. Recommendations**

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Greener Thematic Board notes the update on progress of the Greener Transport Sub-Group.

### **3. Sub-Group Meeting**

- 3.1 After the last Greener Board meeting, the members of the Greener Transport Sub-Group were finalised and a meeting was organised. The inaugural meeting was held on 13 May at Glasgow Airport. Members included representatives from Glasgow Airport, Renfrewshire Council, Sustrans, SPT and West College Scotland.
- 3.2 Electric vehicles and their charging points were discussed in item one of the agenda. West College Scotland have two electric charging points but they are not very often used. SPT have a fleet of 100 buses and are on track to meet the carbon emissions standards set by the Scottish Government and their vision, in time, will be to have all electric buses, but this will take many years. Glasgow Airport have installed new low emission buses and looked into their routes to shorten them.

The main concern that the public has about electric vehicles is the reliability of them. As the technology is very new, many are unsure and fear that an electric vehicle will not last their total journey time. As a result of this the group decided it could be useful to have a map of electric vehicle charging points in and around Renfrewshire, to reassure those travelling by electric vehicle that they will pass a charging point on their travels.



- 3.3 Renfrewshire Council's cycling strategy was discussed and Alastair Scott from Planning and Transport will be giving a presentation on it at the group's next meeting. He will explain what was found out from their cycling survey, which partner organisations can take away from, and also the plans for implementing the strategy will be explained.
- 3.4 The WorkBus scheme was discussed and there is an opportunity at Glasgow Airport for a WorkBus route. With 4,500 staff members on site, many of who work shift patterns at irregular hours, there is the potential for participation from Glasgow Airport. They cannot buy a bus themselves and run it, but they can support it through funding. Ross Nimmo is going to talk with Graham Dunn, Stuart Graham and David Burnie to bring plans for a WorkBus back into action.
- 3.5 The Greener Transport action plan and scorecard will form agenda points for the next meeting, where each group representative can give an update, if relevant, to what they are doing towards achieving that action.
- 3.6 The next sub-group meeting will be held on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2015.

## **4. Electric Vehicle Charging Points**

- 4.1 An audit of electric vehicle charging points within Renfrewshire has been completed. These included points installed by Renfrewshire Council and the Community Planning Partnership (CPP), as well as privately installed points by businesses in Renfrewshire.
- 4.2 In total, there is 75 electric vehicle charging points within Renfrewshire that we know of, 18 installed by the council/CPP and 57 by private businesses. Out of the total 75, the public can use only 21, and 54 are for private/company use. These numbers are not an extensive list as there may be others which we do not know about.



## APPENDIX 1

### RENFREWSHIRE COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP MINUTE OF THE MEETING OF GREENER TRANSPORT SUB GROUP HELD ON 13 MAY 2015

#### IN ATTENDANCE

Ross Nimmo (Chair), Glasgow Airport; Alastair Scott, April Shaw, Kate Cuthbert, Shona Fraser and Sofija Tkacenko, all Renfrewshire Council; John Binning, SPT; Allan Dick, West College Scotland; Shona Rawlings, Sustrans

#### APOLOGIES

Gillian Brown, Royal Alexandra Hospital NHS; Thomas Stirling and David Burnie, Renfrewshire Council

1.	<p><b>INTRODUCTIONS</b></p> <p>R Nimmo welcomed all attendees to introduce themselves and explained the groups' purpose.</p> <p><b><u>DECIDED:</u></b></p> <p>(a) purpose is to come together in order to work in collaboration ensuring that improved communication and information sharing takes place.</p> <p>(b) this will lead to improved transport service delivery which is contributing to Greener Renfrewshire action plan.</p>	<p><b>Agreed</b></p> <p><b>Agreed</b></p>
2.	<p><b>ELECTRIC VEHICLES &amp; CHARGING POINTS IN RENFREWSHIRE</b></p> <p>Part of Greener Renfrewshire audit includes establishing baseline of number of electric vehicle charging points in Renfrewshire.</p> <p>Group members were made aware of it and were asked if their organisations have any electric vehicle charging points.</p> <p>A Dick stated that West College Scotland have 2 electric vehicle charging points however, they are not in demand and he would like to outline that the group should consider how to promote existing charging points in Renfrewshire.</p> <p>SPT have a fleet of 100 buses and are on track to meet the carbon emissions standards set by the Scottish Government and their vision, in time, will be to have all electric buses, but this will take many years.</p>	



	<p>Glasgow Airport has installed new low emission buses and has looked into their routes to shorten them. The bus that takes passengers to the long stay car parks could possibly be changed to an electric vehicle in the future.</p> <p>The main concern that the public has about electric vehicles is the reliability of them. As the technology is very new, many are unsure and fear that an electric vehicle will not last their total journey time. As a result of this the group decided it could be useful to have a map of electric vehicle charging points in and around Renfrewshire, to reassure those travelling by electric vehicle that they will pass a charging point on their travels.</p> <p><b><u>DECIDED:</u></b></p> <p>Contact Zap-map to enquire where they get their information on charging points from.</p>	<b>S Tkacenko</b>
3.	<p><b>CYCLING STRATEGY IN RENFREWSHIRE</b></p> <p>Alastair Scott informed the group that Cycling Strategy will be published in couple of week's time.</p> <p>He informed the group that common themes that affected people's choice to cycle were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Weather</li> <li>• Lack of showering and storage facilities at the workplace</li> </ul> <p><b><u>DECIDED:</u></b></p> <p>A presentation on the Renfrewshire Cycling strategy to be given at the next Greener Transport Sub Group meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup> July 2015. The results of the cycling survey that was distributed will be explained to the group.</p>	<b>A Scott</b>
4.	<p><b>WORKBUS SCHEME</b></p> <p>A Dick outlined that City Deal should be the catalyst for improvements and sustainability of current transport links, including WorkBus Schemes.</p> <p>J Binning from SPT informed the group that SPT has had involvement in the scheme but it is not the easiest initiative to run and has proved difficult to get commitment but will continue to look into it.</p> <p>The WorkBus scheme was discussed and there is an opportunity at Glasgow Airport for a WorkBus route. With 4,500 staff members on site, many of who work shift patterns at irregular hours, there is the potential for participation from Glasgow Airport. They cannot buy a bus themselves and run it, but they can support it through funding.</p>	



	<p>The group also felt that community busses could be coordinated more efficiently and participate in Work Bus scheme.</p> <p>Employers which have staff on shift patterns such as Glasgow Airport and the RAH, would be ideal candidates for a WorkBus scheme.</p> <p><b><u>DECIDED:</u></b></p> <p>Ross Nimmo to talk with Graham Dunn, Stuart Graham and David Burnie to bring plans for a WorkBus back into action.</p>	<b>R Nimmo</b>
5.	<p><b>AOCB</b></p> <p>SPT's Renfrewshire Transport Outcomes Report 2015/16 will be finalised by end of July in discussion with the Council.</p> <p>Greener Transport Action Plan was discussed during the meeting.</p> <p><b><u>DECIDED:</u></b></p> <p>Group to decide on action plan targets achievability, explain and justify why the target is not appropriate and suggest a better target and feed it back to <a href="mailto:sofija.tkacenko@renfrewshire.gov.uk">sofija.tkacenko@renfrewshire.gov.uk</a></p>	<b>Agreed</b>
6.	<p><b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b></p> <p>A schedule of meetings up until September 2016 was given out at the group.</p> <p><b><u>DECIDED:</u></b></p> <p>The next Greener Transport Sub Group meeting will be held on Tuesday 14 July 2015, time and location to be confirmed.</p>	<b>Agreed</b>