

Draft framework for Darlington's Local Implementation Plan			APPENDIX 1
Darlington ambitions	Links to Tees Valley STP	Objectives	Actions
<b>Support economic growth</b> – by providing access to new development sites for employment and housing; - by providing better access to jobs and a larger pool of labour for employers through better transport connections; and - by providing attractive alternatives to single occupancy car use	National Rail	1a Improve connectivity to, from and within Darlington by public transport	<u>Rail</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deliver Darlington Station master plan</li> <li>• Deliver improvements at North Road Station to support the Rail Heritage Quarter Masterplan</li> <li>• Work with the Bishop Line CRP and local community to identify improvements at Dinsdale Station</li> </ul>
	Major Roads		<u>Bus</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support the development of the new Bus Partnership Agreement</li> <li>• Deliver bus corridor improvements to maintain / improve bus punctuality and reliability</li> </ul>
	Connecting Economic Centres	1b Utilise the Local Plan and planning and transport policies to deliver sustainable development.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop policies to be included within the Local Plan to encourage sustainable travel choices</li> </ul>
	Unlocking Key Sites	1c Support the growth of passenger and freight at Teesside Airport as an International and national gateway to the Tees Valley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide improved connectivity to Teesside Airport by all modes.</li> <li>• Improve bus and rail interchange at the Airport</li> </ul>
		1d Improve the Strategic Road Network within the Borough to improve the efficiency of local roads	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development of a business case and funding pathway in support of TVCA for the Northern Link Road</li> <li>• Work with Highways England to identify improvement schemes to improve the efficiency of the SRN around Darlington with benefits to local roads (increasing capacity on A66)</li> </ul>

		2a Focus on maintenance schemes that support Darlington's economy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Efficient use of resource to maintain the existing highway network using asset condition data</li> <li>● Prioritise the KRN and links to transport hubs including the airport, rail stations, bus routes and coach stops</li> </ul>
		2b Minimise the impact of highway maintenance on climate change	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Adopt design principles and standards that minimise maintenance liabilities and reduce the contribution to climate change</li> <li>● Inspect and maintain sustainable and public transport assets to agreed standards</li> </ul>
		3a <b>Manage the highway</b> network to ensure that all traffic can move efficiently around, in and out of the borough in line with the Network Management Duty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Implement measures to balance the needs of all road users including pedestrians                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Urban Traffic Management Control</li> <li>- Enforcement</li> <li>- Parking strategy</li> <li>- Provide bus priority measures to support travel by bus and reduce single occupancy car travel</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Continue to support Darlington Punctuality Improvement Partnership</li> </ul>
		3b Provide an efficient road system through physical improvements to the highway network, at pinch points on the Key Road Network	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Deliver improvement schemes:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A68 corridor</li> <li>- Eastern Growth Zone</li> <li>- A167 / A1150 corridor</li> <li>- Individual junction improvements</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
		Ensure that traffic to all new housing, retail and commercial developments is minimised and/or mitigated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Provision and promotion of sustainable travel options</li> <li>● Provision of transport infrastructure subject to assessments, to ensure that the developments are economically, socially and environmentally sustainable.</li> </ul>

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<p><b>Create opportunity</b> – by helping people (whether they have access to a car or not) to access employment or training opportunities both in the borough and across the wider region.</p>	<p>Local Journeys</p>	<p>Increase travel to work and training by public transport</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue to work in partnership with Train Operating Companies and Community Rail Partnership to promote rail travel</li> <li>• Delivery of new, high quality bus passenger waiting facilities</li> <li>• Through the Bus Partnership develop a fares structure to support regular commuting by bus</li> </ul>
	<p>Deliver Social Equity and Protect and Enhance the Environment</p>	<p>Improve accessibility to employment and training where there is poor access to public transport, particularly to better meet the needs of disabled people</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Travel Plans</li> <li>• Wheels to work projects</li> <li>• Demand Responsive Transport</li> <li>• Car sharing schemes with employers</li> </ul>
		<p>Residents and employees to have access to information to make informed travel choices</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deliver Personalised Travel Planning in a range of settings including job centres and colleges</li> <li>• To deliver a bus and rail marketing and information strategy</li> </ul>

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<p><b>To acknowledge the impact of transport on the environment and climate change</b> and to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- monitor the impact of traffic and seek to improve air quality</li> <li>– reduce reliance on the car through encouraging the use of public transport, walking and cycling; and</li> <li>- encourage the use of lower emission vehicles.</li> </ul>	National Rail	To Support the growth in the use of no or low emission vehicles to transport people and goods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• End of journey deliveries by alternative modes of transport (cargo bikes / electric vehicles)</li> <li>• Increased number of appropriate electric vehicle charging points</li> <li>• Review and update Parking Strategy</li> <li>• Car share schemes</li> <li>• Car clubs</li> </ul>
	Major Roads	To minimise the negative impact of transport on the built and natural environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Travel Plans for residential developments and workplaces</li> <li>• Review design and construction standards for planning, maintenance and construction</li> </ul>
	Connecting Economic Centres  Local Journeys	To promote and support zero emission transport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan</li> <li>• Walking and Cycling Strategy</li> <li>• To develop an Active Travel Strategy</li> </ul>

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<p>To <b>improve public health</b> – by encouraging healthy, active travel; and -by maintaining a good road safety record through engineering, education, encouragement and enforcement.</p>	<p>Local Journeys</p> <p>Deliver Social Equity and Protect and Enhance the Environment</p>	<p>To <b>increase levels</b> of walking and cycling for short local trips</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● To Inform local residents of the travel choices in their communities to encourage increased physical activity</li> <li>● To implement a travel behaviour change programme for short trips, travel to work and the journey to school</li> <li>● Promotion and marketing of sustainable modes through Let’s Go Tees Valley</li> </ul>
		<p>a. To <b>provide a safe highway network</b> and reduce the incidents of road traffic collisions</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Monitor and analyse road traffic collision data to identify local safety schemes</li> <li>● Speed management and 20mph zones extended across residential streets</li> <li>● Better maintained and safer footways – lighting, CCTV</li> </ul>
		<p>b. To reduce the risk to vulnerable road users being involved in road traffic collisions through a programme of enforcement, road safety education, training and publicity</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Pedestrian (KS1) and cycle training (Year 5/6) offered to all school children in Darlington</li> <li>● Road safety publicity</li> <li>● Enforcement – particularly around schools</li> </ul>
		<p>c. To <b>develop transport</b> in accordance with the Healthy Town principles</p>	<p>Local Plan – walkable communities</p>