

**REPORT TO:** CITY GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE – 27 FEBRUARY 2025

**REPORT ON:** CITY DEVELOPMENT – SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT

**REPORT BY:** EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CITY DEVELOPMENT

**REPORT NO:** 79-2025

## **1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.0 To inform committee of the savings proposed for financial year 2025-26 regarding sustainable transport promotional and educational activities.

## **2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Committee:
- a. approves a reduction in the sustainable transport revenue budget from 2025/26; and
  - b. remits the Head of Sustainable Transport & Roads to liaise with the Regional Transport Partnership on inclusion of local sustainable transport priorities in the regional behavioural change programme.

## **3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 3.1 The proposals outlined in this report would result in a recurring saving of £37,000 per annum within the City Development Revenue Budget from 2025/26 and onwards.

## **4.0 MAIN TEXT**

- 4.1 The Council provides promotional and educational initiatives to support the use of public transport, shared transport, and active travel.
- 4.2 In recent years additional central government grant funding has been made available to undertake these forms of activity. Due to single year budget settlements, it is not known how long external grant funding for sustainable transport activities will continue, however funding has been confirmed for 2025/26.
- 4.3 The regional behavioural change programme and investment prioritises are approved by the Regional Transport Partnership's Board, of which Dundee City Council is a member. At present the local, regional, and national strategic prioritises around sustainable transport behavioural change align, however the Council has no control as to the stipulated activities eligible under grants which may be available. Accordingly, the national funders priority investment areas may differ from the Council's locally determined priorities in future years.

## **5.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 This report has been subject to an Integrated Impact Assessment to identify impacts on Equality & Diversity, Fairness & Poverty, Environment and Corporate Risk. An impact, positive or negative, on one or more of these issues was identified. An appropriate senior manager has checked and agreed with this assessment. A copy of the Integrated Impact Assessment showing the impacts and accompanying benefits of / mitigating factors for them is included as an Appendix to this report.

## **6.0 CONSULTATIONS**

- 6.1 The Council Leadership Team have been consulted in the preparation of this report and are in agreement with its content.

## **7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS**

7.1 None.

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## Integrated Impact Assessment

Committee Report Number: 79-2025

Document Title: Sustainable Transport

Document Type: Other

Description:

Report to inform committee of the savings proposed for financial year 2025-26 regarding reduction of sustainable transport promotional and educational expenditure.

Intended Outcome:

Reduction of Dundee City Council revenue funding allocated to sustainable transport initiatives.

Period Covered: 01/04/2025 to 31/03/2026

Monitoring:

N/A

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## **Equality, Diversity and Human Rights**

### **Impacts & Implications**

Age: No Impact

Disability: No Impact

Gender Reassignment: No Impact

Marriage & Civil Partnership: No Impact

Pregnancy & Maternity: No Impact

Race / Ethnicity: No Impact

Religion or Belief: No Impact

Sex: No Impact

Sexual Orientation: No Impact

Are any Human Rights not covered by the Equalities questions above impacted by this report?

No

### **Fairness & Poverty**

### **Geographic Impacts & Implications**

Strathmartine:	Negative
Lochee:	Negative
Coldside:	Negative
Maryfield:	Negative
North East:	Negative
East End:	Negative
The Ferry:	Negative
West End:	Negative

Reduction in resource allocation may lead to less awareness of sustainable transport options.

Mitigation – External grant funding is currently available to continue work initiatives.

### **Household Group Impacts and Implications**

Looked After Children & Care Leavers: No Impact

Carers: No Impact

Lone Parent Families: No Impact

Single Female Households with Children: No Impact

Greater number of children and/or young children: No Impact

Pensioners - single / couple: No Impact

Unskilled workers or unemployed: No Impact

Serious & enduring mental health problems: No Impact

Homeless: No Impact

Drug and/or alcohol problems: No Impact

Offenders & Ex-offenders: No Impact

## **Socio Economic Disadvantage Impacts & Implications**

Employment Status: No Impact

Education & Skills: No Impact

Income: No Impact

Caring Responsibilities (including Childcare): No Impact

Affordability and accessibility of services: No Impact

Fuel Poverty: No Impact

Cost of Living / Poverty Premium: No Impact

Connectivity / Internet Access: No Impact

Income / Benefit Advice / Income Maximisation: No Impact

Employment Opportunities: No Impact

Education: No Impact

Health: No Impact

Life Expectancy: No Impact

Mental Health: No Impact

Overweight / Obesity: No Impact

Child Health: No Impact

Neighbourhood Satisfaction: No Impact

Transport: Negative

The 2025/26 Council Budget consultation identified concern that reduction in sustainable transport behavioural change funding may negatively impact the demand and uptake of sustainable forms of travel.

Mitigation - Currently national grant funding administered at a regional level is available to continue the Council's programme of priority areas.

## **Environment**

### **Climate Change Impacts**

Mitigating Greenhouse Gases: No Impact

Adapting to the effects of climate change: No Impact

### **Resource Use Impacts**

Energy efficiency & consumption: No Impact

Prevention, reduction, re-use, recovery or recycling of waste: No Impact

Sustainable Procurement: No Impact

### **Transport Impacts**

Accessible transport provision: No Impact

Sustainable modes of transport: Negative

Responders to the 2025/26 Council Budget consultation identified that reducing sustainable transport behavioural change funding may negatively impact on the provision of sustainable forms of transport.

Mitigation – External grant funding is currently available to enable continuation of the behavioural change initiatives identified by the Council.

### **Natural Environment Impacts**

Air, land & water quality: No Impact

Biodiversity: No Impact

Open & green spaces: No Impact

### **Built Environment Impacts**

Built Heritage: No Impact

Housing: No Impact

Is the proposal subject to a Strategic  
Environmental Assessment (SEA)?

No further action is required as it does not qualify as a Plan,  
Programme or Strategy as defined by the Environment Assessment  
(Scotland) Act 2005.

## **Corporate Risk**

### **Corporate Risk Impacts**

Political Reputational Risk: No Impact

Economic/Financial Sustainability / Security & Equipment: No Impact

Social Impact / Safety of Staff & Clients: No Impact

Technological / Business or Service Interruption: No Impact

Environmental: No Impact

Legal / Statutory Obligations: No Impact

Organisational / Staffing & Competence: No Impact

#### **Corporate Risk Implications & Mitigation:**

The risk implications associated with the subject matter of this report are "business as normal" risks and any increase to the level of risk to the Council is minimal. This is due either to the risk being inherently low or as a result of the risk being transferred in full or in part to another party on a fair and equitable basis. The subject matter is routine and has happened many times before without significant impact.