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Reword from e onwards.

e) ensuring that all new developments provide facilities such as secure accessible bicycle parking and (for non-residential developments) changing facilities on site. All major developments must demonstrate how they can be made sustainable and how trips generated by the development will be balanced in favour of sustainable transport modes, giving people a real choice about how they will travel¹.

All major developments should demonstrate how they will maximise connectivity within and through the development to surrounding areas and likely destinations through the provision of high quality cycle routes² which are both safe and perceived to be safe taking into account different categories of cyclists⁵.

Transport Assessments and Transport Statements

Major development proposals must include a Transport Assessment and Travel Plan, smaller developments will require a Transport Statement. both Transport Assessments and Statements must include an assessment of public transport capacity, walking/cycling capacity and measures to promote sustainable transport³ detailing how sustainable modes of transport can be maximised.

Supporting text

The Transport Assessment and Statements must contain an origin/destination⁴ analysis for walking and cycling, identifying how the network can be made more attractive for walking and cycling to and from the development site. For each route identified, particular reference should be made to:

1. convenience
2. accessibility
3. safety (and perceptions of safety)
4. comfort and attractiveness⁵.

Transport Assessments and Statements must utilise established methodologies, such as the London Cycle Design Standard Cycle Level of Service Assessment Matrix and Junction Assessment tool or the LCWIP⁶, to assess the existing provision and prioritise where improvements would have the greatest impact. The use of such a tool would enable the Transport Assessment or Statement to clearly identify where improvements, either onsite or off site, would lead to the greatest gains in levels of cycling to and from the development site and therefore maximise the shift to a more sustainable form of transport.

The Transport Assessment or Statement should detail the infrastructure that would lead to the greatest shift to more sustainable transport options and that will be delivered within the site and/or the surrounding area. This infrastructure provision would form the basis of the Travel Plan where a Travel Plan is a requirement.

As part of the assessment process developers should engage with parish councils to better understand local circumstances and have regard to any local walking and cycling studies and local school travel plans.

¹ NPPF29

² Local Plan Policy GEN 2

³ Guidance -Travel Plans, Transport Assessments and Statements Paragraph:014 Reference ID: 42-014-20140306

⁴ Destinations could include destinations such as town centre, high schools, leisure centre, transport hubs.

⁵ Local Transport Note 2/08

⁶ Department of Transport Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plans, Technical Guidance 2017