Integrated Transport Policy

Vice-Chancellor's Statement

"The mission of the University is to maintain the highest standards of excellence as a research-led institution, whose staff work at the frontiers of academic enquiry and educate students in a research environment."

In support of its commitment to sustainable development The University of Sheffield introduced its first Integrated Transport Policy in September 1997. Following a review of the Policy in 2003 it is now based on the following general principles and will:

- Encourage and promote sustainable travel and, in particular, alternatives to one-person, one-car commuter travel;
- Seek to reduce the need to travel;
- Develop and implement, within this over-arching policy, site-specific travel plans that reflect local circumstances across the University's estate;
- Address the access needs of all user groups and to be sensitive to the local neighbourhood;
- Work in partnership with neighbouring organisations, the Local Authority, the South Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executive and public transport operators to enhance and promote the provision of public transport services, walking and cycling;
- Provide car parking facilities that meet the reasonable needs of the University and which help to diminish residential street-parking;
- Promote efficient management and effective use of the University's own transport fleet;
- Actively encourage our suppliers and contractors to use sustainable methods of transport and distribution where possible;
- Be consistent with the University's Development Strategy and the Local Authority's Development Plan; and
- Ensure that all income generated through the Policy is protected and used only to promote the Policy and relevant environmental improvements and developments.

We shall publish our objectives, quantified targets and annual progress in order that the success of our corporate commitment is open to public scrutiny.

Vice-Chancellor

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