

3.6 WENDOVER

ACCESSIBILITY		
<i>Name</i>	<i>Comment</i>	<i>Response</i>
E Richards	How were the major centres identified?	They were identified from a number of official classifications and sources including regional and sub-regional plans, and a classification of 'Areas of town Centre activity' developed by the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister. These major centres generally include a range of shopping, education, leisure, and health facilities and employment. For planning purposes, many of the larger ones are the focus for growth and infrastructure.
E Richards	Public transport is not sufficient for the elderly who have to use their cars to get anywhere and need parking.	Aylesbury Vale District Council is considering the parking issues within Wendover.
J Cobley	What facilities will be made available for the elderly and disabled in Bucks?	Travel concessionary schemes are the responsibility of Aylesbury Vale District Council. Free local bus travel is available across Buckinghamshire from April 2006, with a national scheme proposed from 2008.
J Cobley	What has been done to provide increased services for this demand?	We are working with bus companies to monitor the impact of the new scheme. Our Local Transport Plan recognises growth in older passenger numbers and we are working with Districts to ensure that adequate services are provided to meet the increased demand.
G Findlay	There is no train access to Stoke Mandeville hospital.	We are working closely with the health service to investigate improved access from Stoke Mandeville Station to the hospital.

CONGESTION		
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E Richards	There is increasing traffic travelling east to west, not north to South – this problem needs to be solved.	Our congestion strategy in the main Local Transport plan document sets out our approach to restraining traffic growth and tackling congestion in all areas.
B Bostock	Not happy about congestion – there have been no solutions are provided.	Our congestion strategy in the main Local Transport plan document sets out our approach to restraining traffic growth and tackling congestion in all areas.
B Bostock	Cycling has only been mentioned once throughout the AAP. Cyclists are not considered as ‘at risk’. Encouraging cycling would reduce congestion.	Aylesbury is now a ‘cycle demonstration town’ and has received funding to increase cycle use. A new Cycling and Walking team has been established to promote and improve provision for cycling around the county.
A Myers	How do we stop people parking on pavements and damaging them? How is this policed?	If there are no Traffic Regulation Orders (yellow lines) it is an obstruction issue and it a matter for the police. At present, parking attendants are unable to do anything.
I Pratt	Congestion charges – will this be introduced in Aylesbury?	Our congestion strategy in the main Local Transport plan document sets out our approach to restraining traffic growth and tackling congestion in all areas. Congestion charging or road pricing schemes are clearly not part of this strategy.

ENVIRONMENT		
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G Findlay	Noise pollution from Wendover bypass – there is a constant noise because it is badly surfaced. It needs surfacing like the M40.	We recognise noise pollution is an issue and all new schemes incorporate quiet surfacing. Unfortunately the bypass is unlikely to be resurfaced for approximately 20 years.
G Findlay	Will we get new street lighting to replace the bright orange lights?	Unless the system of street lighting is deemed to be structurally unsafe and / or beyond service life, priority will be given to the replacement of concrete columns. Where improvements are made modern lanterns with an alternative lamp source will be used. Please note that in Wendover the County Council is only responsible for the ownership and maintenance of street lighting along the B4009 and the A4011. In all other instances Wendover Town Council is the responsible authority.

ROAD SAFETY		
<i>Name</i>	<i>Comment</i>	<i>Response</i>
I Pratt	The proposals for the Speed Limit Review (SLR) are not good enough. There should be a 30mph limit from Halton House to The Crown.	Area 7 of the SLR is not yet implemented but will be subject to public consultation between 29 March 2006 and 26 April 2006. This is the opportunity for everyone to make their comments.

MAINTENANCE		
<i>Name</i>	<i>Comment</i>	<i>Response</i>
A Hughes	The maintenance map is all wrong. There are many places in the area that need maintaining.	The maps included in the draft Area Action Plan reflect the structural condition of roads and footways. This assessment does not include the appearance of 'bumpiness' of the route. We recognise that the public use other criteria to determine the standard of roads and footways.
J Cobley	Bus stops are not looked after enough. Are they really cleaned twice a year? You are not noting route numbers on flags.	We are currently visiting all bus stops in the County, and progressively replacing dangerous poles. We are developing a programme to clean each one twice a year, and are regularly changing flags. Route numbers have not always been added because some routes are subject to regular change.