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Dear Sir / Madam,

Draft Local Transport Plan 5, to 2030

Railfuture is Britain's leading, longest-established, national independent voluntary organisation campaigning exclusively for a better railway across a bigger network for passenger and freight users, to support economic (housing and productivity) growth, environmental improvement and better-connected communities.

We seek to influence decision makers at local, regional and national levels to implement pro-rail policies in transport and development planning.

Your travel

1. Which method of travel do you use MOST for each of the following journey purposes?

Our organisation's members, and their families, will between them use all of the methods for all of the described journey purposes and, depending on journey length, with a bias towards train especially for Commuting to / from work, Travel as part of work, Getting to school / college / university or training, Visiting parks, playgrounds or green spaces, Visiting health facilities, Visiting leisure / sports facilities, Meeting friends or relatives / socialising.

2. Which method of travel do you MOST use for each of the following journeys?

Our organisation's members, and their families, will between them use all of the methods for all of the described journey types and, depending on journey length, with a bias towards train especially for Into the city centre, Getting across the city, and leaving the city to neighbouring areas.

Your concerns and ease of travel

3. How concerned are you about each of the following in the city?

Traffic congestion - extremely concerned
Journey times (general traffic) - extremely concerned
Journey times (buses) - extremely concerned
Air pollution - extremely concerned
Noise pollution - extremely concerned
Road safety - extremely concerned
Climate change - extremely concerned
Personal safety - extremely concerned

This is a reflection of individual members' and the organisation's views.

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4. How easy do you find making the following journeys by methods OTHER than driving (eg public transport, walking, cycling)?

Around the local neighbourhood – easy
Into the city centre – neither easy nor difficult
Getting across the city – difficult
Leaving the city to neighbouring areas – difficult.

Your views on our LTP5 consultation document

5. How important do you think our transport priority areas are?

~ Create an inclusive and integrated transport system – Very important
~ Develop streets and places that encourage and enable active travel - Very important
~ Increase public transport use - Very important
~ Reduce car use - Very important
~ Promote and facilitate the use of low and zero emission vehicles - Very important
~ Promote and use technology to reduce and manage travel - eg remote working / video conferencing - Very important.

6. Which of these key principles could you easily contribute to?

~ Avoid or reduce the length of trips made by car or van – Our members already do / have done this
~ Change some / more of my short journeys to walking, wheeling or cycling - Our members already do / have done this
~ Make some / more of my longer journeys by public transport - Our members already do / have done this
~ Change my car or van to a zero or low emission vehicle - Our members already do / have done this.

7. To what extent do you agree with each of the following for the city?

~ Local neighbourhood mobility hubs – Strongly agree
~ Strategic mobility hubs – Strongly agree
~ Liveable City Centre – Strongly agree
~ Expanded Ultra-Low Emission Zone (ULEZ) – Strongly agree
~ Low Traffic Neighbourhoods – Neither agree nor disagree
~ School Streets – Strongly agree
~ Behaviour change programmes – Strongly agree.

There is a full list of proposed interventions in the chapter "Proposed interventions" on our webpage or on pages 36-38 of the PDF version of our LTP5 consultation document.

8. Considering these and your responses so far, what else could the council and transport providers do to help you travel more safely, sustainably, and easily?

As walking and cycling are essential parts of the 'first mile / last mile' component of sustainable journeys by rail, there is in our view a central need to make those parts as safe, convenient and otherwise attractive as practically possible. In practical terms that means attention to all the details of a quality public realm, such as footways and carriageways maintained to a consistently high standard including flush dropped kerbs at all street corners and other pedestrian crossing-points, footways with minimal obstructions, excellent levels of street lighting, provision of safe and secure cycle parking.

Your views on walking and cycling in your local area

9. How satisfied are you with the current walking environment in your local area?

10. If you answered SATISFIED or VERY SATISFIED why do you feel this way about the walking environment in your local area?

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11. If you answered DISSATISFIED or VERY DISSATISFIED why do you feel this way about the current walking environment in your local area?

12. How satisfied are you with the current cycling environment in the city?

13. If you answered SATISFIED or VERY SATISFIED why do you feel this way about the current cycling environment in the city?

14. If you have answered DISSATISFIED or VERY DISSATISFIED why do you feel this way about the current cycling environment in the city?

9 – 14 – Our organisation’s members, and their families, will all have their own individual responses, which they have been asked to contribute direct.

Your views on our draft LCWIP document

15. To what extent do you agree that improving the proposed routes and areas identified in the draft LCWIP will make your journey safer?

16. Would improving the proposed routes and areas outlined in the draft LCWIP encourage you to walk or cycle more?

17. Do the proposed routes and areas outlined for improvement in the draft LCWIP provide direct walking and cycling links to your everyday destinations?

18. Do you have any other comments on the proposed routes or areas identified for improvement?

19. Do you have any additional comments on the draft LCWIP?

We have no brief to offer specific views on the LCWIP. We earlier made the general observation that walking and cycling are essential parts of the ‘first mile / last mile’ component of sustainable journeys by rail, highlighting the need to make those parts as safe, convenient and otherwise attractive as practicable.

About you

20. How did you hear about this consultation?

Other – via Brighton Transport Partnership.

21. How are you responding to this consultation?

As a representative of a business, organisation or group – Railfuture Ltd.

22. What is your postcode?

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Equalities information

23 - 27 – to be advised by individual members in their own personal consultation responses.

Yours faithfully,

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