

Summary Document

# Christchurch Transport Plan

2012 – 2042

*Keep Christchurch moving  
by providing transport choices to connect people and places*



# Introduction

*The draft Christchurch Transport Plan is a 30-year vision aimed at keeping Christchurch moving forward by providing transport choice to connect people and places.*

An effective transport system in Christchurch is critical for the city to recover from the earthquakes and to grow and attract new business, investment and people.

Following the earthquakes, the Council is presented with a unique opportunity to transform Christchurch's transport system as the city is rebuilt. The draft Plan recognises that the earthquakes have had a severe impact on the city's transport system and that there will need to be significant investment during the next decade to repair and recover the city's transport infrastructure but also to improve it. The city has an opportunity to enhance Christchurch's reputation as a cycle city by increasing the importance of cycling in the rebuild.

Creating a city that is easy to move around will not only improve access and provide travel choice but it also supports a vibrant economy, creates stronger communities and helps to improve the health and wellbeing of residents.

The Council will work with the community to develop more detailed options for the transport networks identified in this Plan. Funding for preferred options will be part of the Council's next Long Term Plan (LTP).

This summary is a guide to the draft Christchurch Transport Plan 2012-42. The Plan outlines four goals:

- Improve access and choice
- Create safe, healthy and liveable communities
- Support economic vitality, and
- Create opportunities for enhancing the environment.

There is also a number of actions to help deliver those goals, which are outlined throughout this document.

Comments are invited from 18 July to 5pm on 23 August 2012, followed by hearings in September / October. The Council will then meet to consider public input and make decisions on the plan.

*Tell us what you think.  
We want to know what  
you think of our plans  
for the future.*

## How to find out more

Copies of the full draft Christchurch Transport Plan are available:

- online at [ccc.govt.govt.nz/HaveYourSay](http://ccc.govt.govt.nz/HaveYourSay)
- Or at open service centres and Council libraries or the Civic Offices, 53 Hereford Street.

Come along to one of our community drop-in sessions and talk to staff about the plan:

### Saturday 28 July

10am-4pm  
South City Mall  
555 Colombo Street

### Tuesday 31 July

4pm-7pm  
Cotswold School Hall  
50 Cotswold Avenue, Bishopdale

### Wednesday 1 August

4pm-7pm  
Wigram Manor  
14 Henry Wigram Drive, Wigram

### Thursday 2 August

4pm-7pm  
North Beach Community Centre  
93 Marine Parade, New Brighton

### Tuesday 7 August

5pm-7pm  
Lyttelton Club  
23 Dublin Street, Lyttelton

## Have your say

You can make a submission online, by email or in writing. A submission form is on the back of this document.

Public hearings will be held in September /October 2012. Please indicate in your submission if you would like to be heard.

*Below: Illustrative concept of the Christchurch Transport 30 Year Vision.*



## The four goals

Four goals have been identified which will help to achieve the vision of the draft Christchurch Transport Plan.

### Goal 1.

#### **Improve access and choice**

by delivering resilient transport networks with an emphasis on efficient road use, cycling, public transport and walking. Key to this goal is introducing a new road classification which will guide the design and management of streets to reflect the local environment and place emphasis on balancing both people and vehicle movement. The goal supports the development of a safe cycle network, to make it easier for Christchurch residents to cycle. This will include creating shared footpaths, developing dedicated major cycleways and key flagship cycleways that will support Christchurch to become a cycle city.



### Goal 2.

#### **Create safe, healthy and liveable communities**

highlights transport's role in supporting the recovery of the Central City, suburban centres and new growth areas. The integration of land use and transport planning will also be strengthened through District Plan changes. The goal supports a safer systems approach to improve the safety of the entire transport system.



### Goal 3.

#### **Support economic vitality**

by developing local freight routes to improve access to the Christchurch International Airport, Lyttelton Port and freight hubs. Parking and congestion management will support the growth of commercial centres.



### Goal 4.

#### **Create opportunities for environment enhancements**

by building green infrastructure and adapting the network for climate change and peak oil, investing in new technology and infrastructure enhancements.



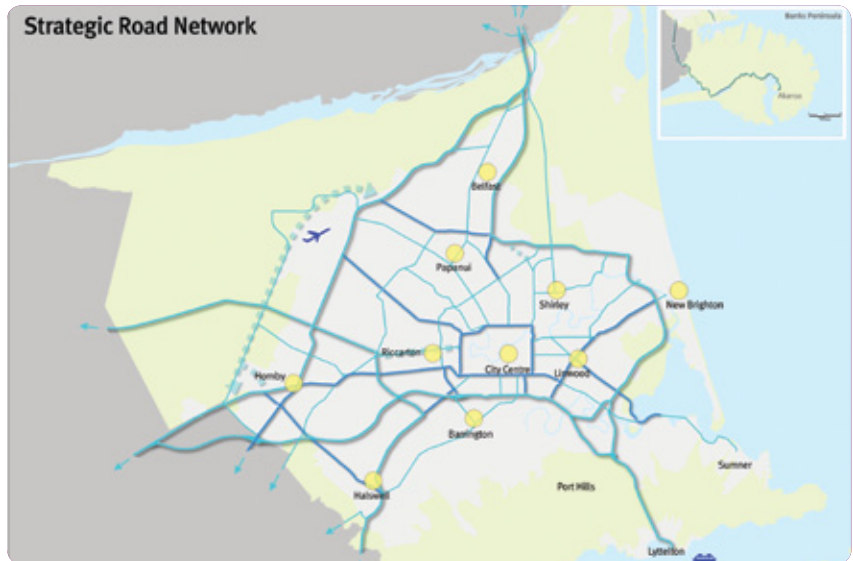
# Goal 1. Improve access and choice

*The Council will aim to provide residents with more connected, accessible transport options across all networks – freight, road, walking, cycling and public transport.*

These will ensure better use is made of the road space, easing congestion and will help to support economic vitality.

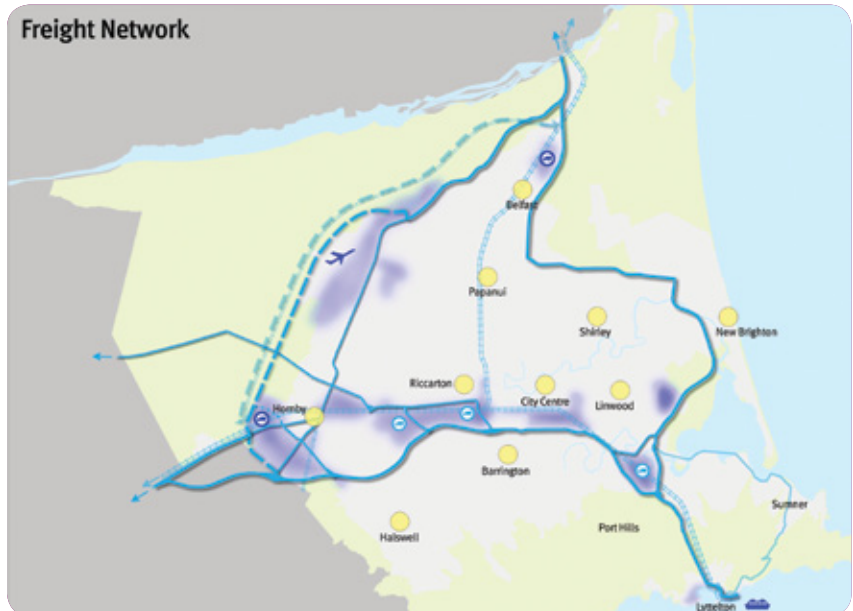
**The transport actions are to:**

- Develop a new road classification system: This will change the way the Council uses road space and will guide how the transport system should function. It will replace the road classification in the District Plan, guiding the design of streets to reflect the local environment and placing emphasis on the way people and vehicles move around.
- Develop a new road priority tool: to support the road classification system, which aims to identify a priority transport option (freight, public transport, general vehicles, walking or cycling) for individual roads. This will, in turn, reduce competing demands for road space.
- Protect and enhance the strategic road and freight network: A network of major arterial routes will help to improve access to key activity centres. Dedicated freight routes, along with local road and intersection improvements will ensure good connections to the Roads of National Significance (state highways) and maximise journey efficiency and reliability. The Council will also work with neighbouring districts to improve connections between Christchurch, Selwyn and Waimakariri by vehicle, public transport, cycle and walking. There will be a programme of measures, including education, to manage the demand and use of strategic roads, along with improved signage to make it easier to move around the city.



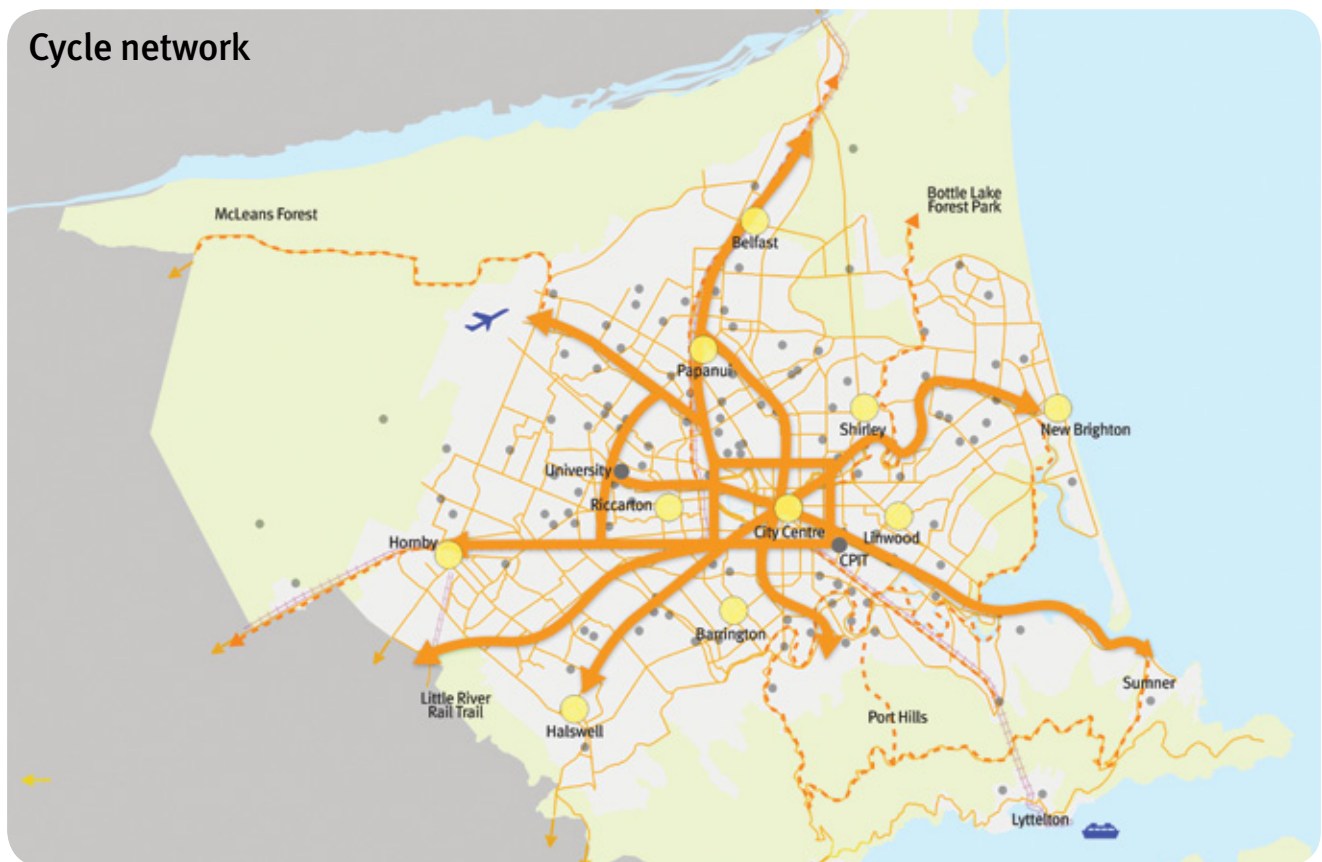
**Legend**

- State Highways
- District Arterial routes
- Minor Arterial routes
- Key activity areas
- Neighbouring Districts
- Future Christchurch urban limits
- Future route to be investigated













**Legend**

- Strategic Freight route
- Potential Strategic Freight route
- Local Freight route
- Potential Strategic Freight route
- Freight-supporting route
- Existing rail
- Potential Future Freight route (rail)
- Existing/Future industrial area
- Existing freight hub
- Future freight hub
- Key activity areas
- Neighbouring Districts
- Future Christchurch urban limits

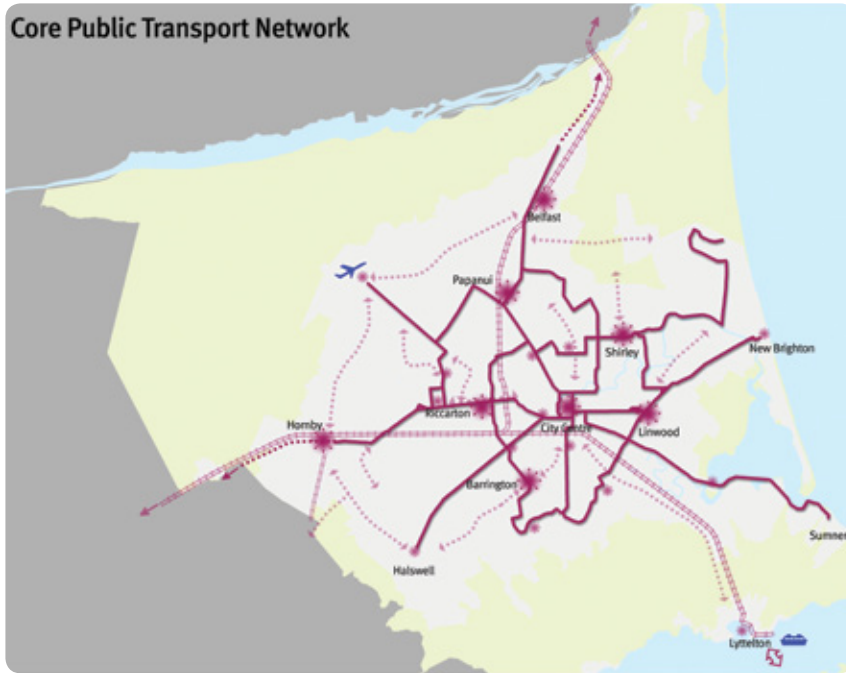


**Legend**

	Major cycleways		Key activity areas
	Local cycleways		Neighbouring Districts
	Key recreational cycleways		Future Christchurch urban limits
	Education		Connecting to neighbours
	Existing rail		University and CPIT

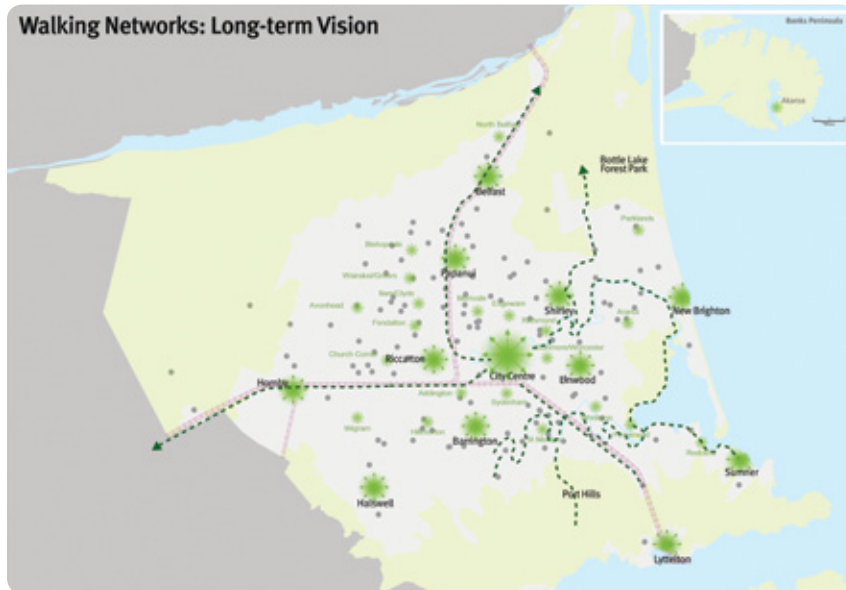
- Develop a cycle network that makes Christchurch a cycle city: The Council will embrace the opportunity to develop a safe, connected cycle network during the city's rebuild, which will make cycling a more attractive, safe and accessible transport option for residents of all cycling abilities. This will include the creation of three types of cycleways – major, local and recreational cycleways. The Council will look for opportunities to create shared footpaths, which could be used by a number of users, including people cycling and walking. A number of major cycleways will be identified as 'flagship cycleways' and will make a strong statement about Christchurch's commitment to cycling during the recovery.

# Goal 1. Improve access and choice



**Legend**

- Core Public Transport routes  
*These are the routes that provide higher-frequency services (not all public transport routes have been shown, for clarity)*
- Possible Future routes  
*(subject to investigation)*
- Connections to neighbours
- Existing rail
- Ferry connection
- Regional services
- Neighbouring Districts
- Future Christchurch urban limits
- Connection points



**Legend**

- Walkable centres
- Recreational routes
- Education
- Existing rail
- Future Christchurch urban limits
- Neighbouring Districts

- Develop attractive and efficient public transport corridors: To make public transport a more attractive and reliable transport choice, options for rapid transit will be investigated and future public transport corridors will be protected. There will be an emphasis on providing quality public transport infrastructure, including priority measures on core public transport corridors and improved infrastructure at connection points (bus stops and interchanges) to make transfer between services easy. Options for Park and Ride will be investigated and implemented.
- Develop attractive and safe street environments for walking: There will be a focus on creating vibrant commercial centres that are attractive to spend time in. Streetscapes will be attractive and safe, traffic will be slowed and people will be encouraged to linger and relax. A network of core walking routes will connect commercial centres, greenspaces, parks and urban spaces. There will be an improved level of safety on local walking routes.
- Deliver high quality information and education: The Council will make it easier for residents to move around the city by increasing travel information, wayfinding and travel planning advice.

## Goal 2. Create safe, healthy and liveable communities

*Transport can shape communities by providing safe, attractive streets, accessible travel options.*



The planning and building of new communities and the recovery and revitalisation of existing communities needs to be well connected and integrated into the transport system to improve safety, reduce car dependence and to reduce environmental effects. A connected and healthy population is key to a productive economy.

**The transport actions are to:**

- Support recovery: As earthquake-damaged streets are repaired, improvements can be made to make them more attractive. Transport improvements will support the recovery programmes for the Central City, suburban centres and new growth areas across the city in the short to medium term.
- Implement effective and integrated land-use policy and plans: At all stages of the land and infrastructure development process, decisions will have a crucial role in providing a variety of transport choices and managing network efficiency and resilience. The right design, location and function of buildings, subdivisions and streets will improve access to housing, jobs, schools and services by walking, cycling and public transport. This will increase access to more affordable travel options and reduce the need to travel by car for long distances.
- Deliver a safer system: A safer transport system saves lives, reduces injuries and helps to improve the efficiency of the network. A safer systems approach focusses on safer road use, safer speeds, safer roads and roadsides and safer vehicles. The priority safety issues for Christchurch during the next three to five years will focus on improving the safety of intersections, of young drivers and of cycling and motor biking.

## Goal 3. Support economic vitality

*Christchurch’s transport infrastructure must be able to grow with the city’s economy. Easy movement of and access to goods and services will support the economic recovery and growth of the city.*



Christchurch’s role as the economic hub and tourist gateway to the South Island will be strengthened by reliable transport connections. The rebuild presents a unique opportunity for the city to strengthen the roles of the airport and port for providing vital international connections. Transport can support economic growth by making it easier for people, visitors and organisations to be connected with each other.

While all transport options support economic vitality, this goal focuses on the role of freight movement and parking.

**The transport actions are for:**

- Freight reliability: The freight network will provide more reliable connections between freight hubs, the port and airport, using defined and well signposted routes to reduce the movement of trucks on local streets and in local neighbourhoods. Freight management plans will improve access for freight vehicles servicing commercial centres. The movement of goods by rail and cleaner fuels for freight vehicles will also be encouraged.
- Freight hubs: Freight hubs play a key role in the regional and local freight network and have the potential to enable better freight management.
- Accessible freight hubs are important for the efficient transfer of goods. The Council will look to identify and protect new freight hubs and the infrastructure from encroaching urban development and other land uses.
- Parking: A good supply of convenient, secure, well-placed parking will support the economic recovery and future prosperity of the city. Parking management will investigate the re-allocation of on-street parking where road space may be needed for public transport, active transport or landscaping. Where there remains a need for parking, convenient off-street locations will be identified. Parking management plans will help manage parking in commercial and residential areas.

# Goal 4. Create opportunities for environmental enhancements

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*The rebuild and design of transport networks and infrastructure presents opportunities for the transport system to enhance the environment.*



Investing in green transport infrastructure can reduce emissions, enhance water quality, biodiversity and landscapes. The draft Plan will create opportunities for environmental enhancements by reducing emissions, investing in green infrastructure and planning for future changes in the climate.

***The transport actions are to:***

- Re-shape travel demand and reduce emissions: By increasing the emphasis on vehicle occupancy (car pooling with priority parking), encouraging energy innovation, developing intelligent transport systems and investing in technology and attractive networks to increase the number of those walking, cycling and using public transport.

- Invest in green infrastructure: The repair and future replacement of streets provides an opportunity to implement new green infrastructure. Streets will be designed with people and the environment in mind, making use of recycle materials, rain gardens, street trees and environmentally sensitive stormwater management. Green transport corridors will create opportunities to conserve and restore biodiversity whilst improving access to open spaces, rivers and parks.

# Submission Form

**PLEASE READ BEFORE COMPLETING YOUR SUBMISSION**

The public consultation period is from Wednesday 18 July 2012 – Thursday 23 August 2012. A public hearings process will follow.

**It will help us if in your submission you:**

- Refer to the specific chapter(s) (and goal if appropriate) of the Draft Transport Plan.

Please note: We are legally required to make all written or electronic submissions available to the public and to Councillors, including the name and address of the submitter. The submissions may be posted electronically on the Council's website. Information will be available to the public subject to the provisions of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987. If you consider there to be compelling reasons why your contact details and/or submission should be kept confidential, you should contact the Council's Communication's Consultation Team Leader, telephone 941 8999.

**You may send us your submission:**

**On the internet**

You may enter your submission using the form provided on the Council's website at [www.ccc.govt.nz/HaveYourSay](http://www.ccc.govt.nz/HaveYourSay). Please follow all the instructions on the website.

**By email**

Please email your submission to [CTP@ccc.govt.nz](mailto:CTP@ccc.govt.nz)

Please make sure that your full name and address is included with your submission.

**By mail**

(no stamp is required) to:

Freepost 178  
Draft Christchurch Transport Plan Submission  
Christchurch City Council  
PO Box 73012  
Christchurch 8154

No anonymous submissions will be accepted. Whether you use this form or not, you must provide your full name, address and telephone number. If you are submitting on behalf of an organisation, please state this and your role within that organisation.

Submissions must be received (NOT postmarked) at the Hereford Street Civic Offices no later than 5pm on Thursday 23 August 2012. To ensure receipt, hand deliver last-minute submissions to the Civic Offices, 53 Hereford Street.

## Your submission

If you wish, you can present your submission at a hearing. If that is the case, please tick the appropriate box below. The hearings will be held during September/October 2012. Five to ten minutes will be allocated for speaking to your submission, including time for questions from the Councillors. The Council will confirm the date and time of your hearing in writing, by email or by telephone call.

TICK ONE

I do NOT wish to discuss my submission at the hearing, and ask that this written submission be considered

OR

I wish to discuss the main points in my written submission at the hearings to be held during September/October 2012

I am completing this submission:  For myself  On behalf of a group or organisation

If you are representing a group or organisation, how many people do you represent?

My submission refers to Chapter(s):  Goal (if appropriate):

Your Name:

Organisation name (if applicable):

Organisation role (if applicable):

Contact Address:

Postcode:

Phone No (day):  Phone No (evening):

Email (if applicable):

Signature:  Date:

# Submission Form

1. Overall, do you support the direction of the draft Christchurch Transport Plan?

Yes  No

2. How much do you agree or disagree with the 30 year vision and goals for transport in Christchurch?

Strongly agree  Agree  Neither agree nor disagree  Disagree  Strongly disagree

3. How much do you agree or disagree with the main challenges identified for the transport system in Christchurch? The challenges can be found in chapter 4 of the draft Plan.

Strongly agree  Agree  Neither agree nor disagree  Disagree  Strongly disagree

4a. How much do you agree or disagree with the core routes identified on the proposed network maps for strategic roads, freight, public transport, cycling and walking?

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
Strategic roads	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Freight routes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Public Transport routes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cycling routes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Walking routes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

4b. Where would you like the major cycleways to be?

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5. How much do you agree or disagree with the introduction of a new road classification that aims to create roads and streets that will better cater for both people and vehicle movement?

Strongly agree  Agree  Neither agree nor disagree  Disagree  Strongly disagree



