

Working Paper: Consultation

A. Consultation

A.1 Regional Transport Strategy (RTS)

A.1.1 The production of the RTS involved extensive consultation and concluded that Park & Ride and Park & Choose were likely to form a part of the future picture in the TACTRAN region.

A.2 Consultation specific to this strategy

A.2.1 Consequently consultation at this stage has focussed on questions of site location, stop location and levels of car park usage with the objectives being to discover:

- where there are pressures on existing parking;
- where there are likely to be pressures on parking in future;
- how existing Park & Ride sites are operating;
- where future Park & Ride sites might be located; and,
- where future Park & Ride buses might stop.

A.2.2 All comments and suggestion received during the consultation process were considered and, where appropriate, incorporated into the strategy.

A.3 Stage 1 consultation – initial consultation

A.3.1 The first consultation stage consisted of contacting the organisations shown in Table A.1 directly for information and comment.

Table A.1: Specific Park & Ride consultees

Group	Organisation
Public bodies	Stirling Council
	Perth and Kinross Council
	Dundee City Council
	Angus Council
	Transport Scotland
	SEStran
	TACTRAN
NHS trusts	NHS Tayside
	NHS Forth Valley
Bus operators	First (Stirling)
	Stagecoach (Perth and Dundee)
	Travel Dundee
	Harlequin Classic Coaches (operators of the Stirling Park & Ride bus)
	Smith and Sons (operators of the Perth Park & Ride bus)
Rail operators	First Scotrail
	Network Rail
City centre management groups	Perth City Centre Management
	Dundee City Centre Action Group (City Centre Management)
	Stirling Council - City Centre Management
Business organisations	Dundee & Angus Chamber of Commerce
	Federation of Small Business (Northeast Scotland Region, Perth & Kinross Branch)
	Federation of Small Business (Northeast Scotland Region, Dundee and Angus Branch)
	Federation of Small Business (West of Scotland Region, Forth Valley Branch)
	Perthshire Chamber of Commerce
	Stirling Business Panel

A.4 Stage 1 consultation - consultation meeting

A.4.1 A consultation meeting was held on the 6th of February in relation to this and other strategies being prepared independently for TACTRAN. The work to date was presented to the meeting including the:

- Audit Report findings;
- Best Practice Review;
- initial consultation process, and
- a summary of the long list of preferred sites

A.4.2 Questions and comments were recorded. Attendees were also supplied with email addresses which could be used to send in more complete comments at a later date. Representatives of all of the groups shown in Table A.2 were present at this meeting.

Table A.2: Bus, CT, DRT, information and Park & Ride Strategy consultees

Group	Organisation	
Public bodies	Scottish Executive	
	TACTRAN	
	SEStran	
	HITRANS	
	Perth and Kinross Council	
	Dundee City Council	
	Stirling Council	
	Angus Council	
	Loch Lomond and Trossachs National Park	
Healthcare organisations	NHS Tayside	
	Scottish Ambulance Service	
Educational establishments	Dundee College	
Bus and rail operators	SPT	
	Travel Dundee	
	Stagecoach East Scotland	
	First	
	Scottish Citylink Coaches Ltd / Stagecoach	
	Crieff Travel	
	Kingshouse Travel Ltd	
Community transport and Demand responsive transport groups	Community Transport Association	
	Perth & Kinross Community Transport Group – also representing:	Angus Community Transport
		Dundee Accessible Transport Action Group
	Stirling - Dial a Journey	
	Perth and Kinross Council – Demand Responsive Transport	
Passenger groups	Passenger's View Scotland	
	Confederation of Passenger Transport / Passengers' view	
City centre management	Stirling Council - City Centre Management	
Other groups	Age Concern Scotland	
	Scottish Pensioners Forum	
	Angus Access Panel	

A.5 Stage 2 consultation – consultation on the draft strategy

A.5.1 The second consultation stage consisted of two focus group meetings held in Dundee and Stirling in the week beginning the 17th of March, 2008. All of the groups listed in Table A.1 were invited to these meetings along with a number of additional groups. A list of those attending is shown in Table A.3

Table A.3: Specific Park & Ride consultees – Stage 2

Group	Organisation
Public bodies	Angus Council
	Dundee City Council
	Perth and Kinross Council
	Stirling Council
	SEStran
	TACTRAN
NHS trusts	NHS Tayside
	NHS Forth Valley
Bus operators	Harlequins (Stirling P+R bus) (RA)
	Stagecoach (Dundee) (MH)
	Smith and Sons (Perth Park & Ride bus)
	Travel Dundee (JL)
	First (Stirling) (BP)
	Smith and Sons (Perth Park & Ride bus) (IS)
	Stagecoach (Perth) (SW)
Rail operators	First Scotrail
	Network Rail
City centre management groups	Dundee City Centre Action Group (City Centre Management)
	Stirling Council - City Centre Management

A.5.2 At these meetings the draft strategy was presented and discussed and all of the comments made were recorded and considered for inclusion in the final strategy.