



Green Travel Plan Annual Update

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Dear Jim,

Jordan Springs Public School Stage 1 - Green Travel Plan Annual Update

This report provides a status update to the Jordan Springs Public School Green Travel Plan first prepared in May 2020 by GTA Consultants. The update to the Green Travel Plan has been updated in accordance with SSD condition D12.

This update comprises a summary of the actions taken into implementing the Green Travel Plan at Jordan Springs Public School. We are encouraged to be able to demonstrate real action into implementing the Green Travel Plan.

Regards,

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1. Introduction

1.1 Purpose of this report

In accordance with *Conditions of Consent SSD 9354 – D12 – Green Travel Plan*, an annual update of the Green Travel Plan is required. This report provides an update on the implementation of the Sustainable Travel Actions outlined in the original Green Travel Plan (GTA Consultants, May 2020).

1.2 Scope and limitations

This report has been prepared by GHD for Department of Education and may only be used and relied on by Department of Education for the purpose agreed between GHD and Department of Education.

The services undertaken by GHD in connection with preparing this report are limited to providing an update against the activities of the Sustainable Travel Plan since the school's opening in July 2020.

1.3 Project background

GTA Consultants were commissioned to prepare a Green Travel Plan (refer to Attachment 1) for the Jordan Springs Public School Stage 1 Development.

Subsequent to the school opening, GHD was commissioned in July 2021 to provide the services of School Travel Coordinator as described in this Green Travel Plan. The School Travel Coordinator has carriage of implementing the Green Travel Plan in partnership with Department of Education, the School Principal and other stakeholders.

The next update to the Jordan Springs Public School is due in July 2022 and would involve updating the sustainable travel action plan and actions. We trust that this document meets the intent of the annual update of this plan, which focuses on a progress update to the activities that have been undertaken since the opening of the school. This includes a focus on the original plan of action (i.e., Table 1.6) in the form of a traffic light report.

1.4 Update to implementing the Green Travel Plan

Jordan Springs Public School opened in July 2020 and has since made progress in implementing the Sustainable Travel Actions outlined in the Green Travel Plan (refer to Attachment 1).

In summary, there has been good progress in implementing the actions as co-designed with the Jordan Springs School Principal. The Principal has been a strong advocate and has led the community in the discussion around transport mode shift from private vehicle to sustainable travel choices. Some highlights during the Jordan Springs Public School's first year of operation in implementing the Green Travel Plan include:

- School curriculum activity to give children the skills to travel independently is in progress
- Participation and celebration of the Ride to School Day, March 2021
- Participation and celebration of the Walk to School Day, May 2021
- Engagement of School Travel Coordinator to encourage sustainable transport to school activity.

The original plan of action together with a status of the actions is provided in Table 1 below. This has been modified with a new column 'Status as of July 2021' added to provide the update.

Table 1 Extract from Attachment 1, Green Travel Plan Table 1.6

Strategy	Action	Target Audience	Timeframe	Responsibility	Status as of July 2021
Educate children to give them the skills to travel actively, independently					
Educate Stage 1 students	Apply the curricula for Year K-2 students to educate Road Awareness using play-based learning	Students	Annual curriculum	School Principal	In progress and on track
Educate Stage 2 students	Apply the curricula for Year 3 students to learn Road Safety with a focus on walking independently to school. Action to include: Liaising with Penrith Council's Road Safety Officer Wendy Read	Students	Annual curriculum	School Principal	In progress and on track
Educate Stage 2 students	Apply the curricula for Year 4 students to learn Road Safety with a focus on cycling independently to school. This may include an experience like the St Marys CARES bicycle riding experience	Students	Annual curriculum	School Principal	In progress and on track
Educate Stage 3 students	Apply the curricula for Year 5-6 students to learn to travel independently on the public bus system in preparation for travelling to high school and other destinations	Students	Annual curriculum	School Principal	In progress and on track
Bike readiness program for Year 4 students with St Marys Community and Road Education Scheme	Year 4 students attend an excursion to CARES a purpose-built bicycle safety education facility in St Marys Further information https://www.penrithcity.nsw.gov.au/services/health-safety/road-safety/st-marys-community-and-road-education-scheme	Students	Annually	Travel Coordinator	In progress and on track
Enabling active travel through resourcing					
Travel Coordinator	Get a price from a service provider to promote, coordinate and monitor the implementation of the green travel initiatives. Estimate budget for Travel Coordinator assuming 10 weeks per term, 4 terms and 4 hours per week at a rate of \$80 per hour. Budget \$12,800.	N/A	By 15 May 2020	Department of Education led by Project Director	Some delays. Action implemented July 2021
Recurrent funding submission	Project team to submit a budget for recurrent funding to enable mode shift from car to active which would fund Travel Coordinator and associated program costs (communications, participation costs). Budget \$30,000 per year recurrent funding	N/A	By 22 May 2020	Department of Education led by Project Director	In progress. Budget provision for Term 3 2021 to end of Term 2 2022

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Programs to be coordinated by a Travel Coordinator					
Ride-to-School day	School participates in Ride-To-School day. This provides an opportunity for students, parents and teachers to try riding, walking, skating or scooting to school as well as celebrating the regular walkers and riders. Further information: www.bicyclenetwork.com.au	Staff, parents and students	March 2021 and then annually	Travel Coordinator	Ride to School day participation March 2021 complete and will be recurring
Walking buddy program	Pair older students (years 5&6) with younger students who live close together to walk to school as a pair or small group.	Parents and students	For school year 2021	Travel Coordinator	In progress with Travel Coordinator
Walking School Bus (WSB) scheme	Research a sustainable alternative to walking school buses as this is volunteer dependent and may not have ongoing support. The concept is an organised group who walk to schools guided by two adults.	Parents and students	July 2020	Travel Coordinator	In progress with Travel Coordinator
Walk safely to school day	Promote and take part in 'Walk Safely to School Day'. Further information: www.walk.com.au	Staff and students	May 2021 and then annually	Travel Coordinator	Walk to School Day participation in May 2021 completed and will recur
Infrastructure and environmental elements to encourage active travel to school					
Pedestrian and cycling infrastructure leading to school	Advocate Provision of safe footpaths and safe crossing facilities Separated cycleways where possible, safe crossing facilities, kerb ramps	Staff and students	30 May 2021	Project team to put a submission to Council for specific, targeted infrastructure upgrades required.	Not yet started
Better pedestrian amenities	Plant trees around the school	Staff and students	30 May 2021	Travel Coordinator to put a submission to DPIE as part of the 5,000,000 trees initiative.	Not yet started
Have asked ESD consultant Kazi to confirm – End of trip facilities	Provide bicycle parking, shower, locker room	Staff	Prior to opening	Department of Education	Completed
Well-being and student needs					
Promote use of public transport with OPAL card as a reward	Implement an award when a child has attended school in accordance with the plan set by the School Principal by active mode. For example, if a student walks or rides for 5 consecutive days that the student is rewarded.	Staff, students and parents	2021 School Year	Recommendation by Travel Coordinator to School	Not yet started

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Reduce car travel					
Staff Car pooling	Establish a car-pooling scheme that enables staff to share their car trip to the school with more than 1 person in the car, reducing cars travelling to the school.	All staff	2021 School Year then ongoing	Travel Coordinator	In progress. Tactics being developed by Travel Coordinator
Parents Car Pooling initiative	Discuss the idea of a car-pooling scheme for parents to share the transport of students to / from school and encouraging more than 1 student in the car for each drop-off and pick up	All parents	2021 School Year then ongoing	Travel Coordinator	In progress. Tactics being developed by Travel Coordinator
Car Parking Management Strategy	Consider the applicability of a parking management strategy that would discourage the use of single-occupant car travel to the site and incentivise employees to travel to the site by public or active transport. This could involve, for example, the charging of a fee for use of on-site parking, which could be hypothecated to fund incentives for those that travel by more sustainable modes / other travel plan initiatives	Staff	2021 School Year then ongoing	Travel Coordinator codedigned with the School Principal and Staff	In progress. Tactics being developed by Travel Coordinator
Parking restrictions	Introduction and enforcement of parking restrictions around the school and promotion of this in collaboration with the Road Safety Officer Penrith	Staff and students	Term 4 2021	Travel Coordinator in consult with Penrith Council	In progress. Tactics being developed by Travel Coordinator
Seek assistance from Transport for NSW for bus in the southwest catchment of the School					
Bus service for students living beyond 1200m	Request Transport for NSW, Sydney Coordination Office to look at feasibility and viability of bus service for students >1200m radius from school. Request made to TfNSW SCO by GTA Consultants on 10 April 2020	Students	By 30 June 2020	David Surplice, Sydney Coordination Office TfNSW	To be progressed
Bus service for students living beyond 1200m catchment	Request Transport for NSW, Sydney Coordination Office to explore alternate transport options including a small format bus. Request made to TfNSW SCO by GTA Consultants on 10 April 2020.	Students	By 30 June 2020	David Surplice, Sydney Coordination Office TfNSW	To be progressed
Additional actions					
Inspire the school community towards active transport to school as a vision for the school and its community	Communicate to Staff and Students the key messages including targets and actions outlined in the Green Travel Plan. Positively inspire positive action. Travel Coordinator to prepare messaging for School Principal	Staff, students and parents	Per communication plan	School Principal	In progress.
Transport Access Guide (TAG)	Publish the transport access guide to Jordan Springs Public School on the school website so that it is easy to understand the options to travel to school using active modes or public transport.	Staff, students and parents	Per communication plan	Travel Coordinator using the TAG prepared by Project team	To be updated August 2021 with Dept of Education new format.

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Attachments

Attachment 1

**Jordan Springs Public School,
Green Travel Plan**

prepared by GTA Consultants in May 2020

Attachment 1: Jordan Springs Public School, Green Travel Plan prepared by GTA Consultants

A copy of the Jordan Springs Public School Green Travel Plan prepared by GTA Consultants in May 2020 is embedded below.



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