



## Sir Harry Smith Community College

Travel Plan, produced 08/08/24

**Current Accreditation Level Approved TP**

**Accreditation Expiry Date 08/08/2034**

### Introduction

#### Site Details

Type of Site	School
URN	138053
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#### Site Introduction

The College is an 11 to 18 comprehensive school with the majority of its students from a catchment area that is comprised of the town of Whittlesey and the surrounding villages of Coates, Eastrea, Turves and Pondersbridge. Although in recent years the number of students travelling from outside this immediate area has increased and we now have students travelling to the College from areas further afield such as Wisbech, March, Ramsey, Peterborough, Thorney and Guyhirn. Whittlesey is a small market town with a population of about 17,000. It lies on the

## Site Details

A605 some 8 miles east of the City of Peterborough and some 12 miles west of the town of March. The major access road, the A605, joins directly to the parkway (dual carriage way) system that rings Peterborough and therefore straight onto the A1 and A1M. The town has access via the B1040 from Thorney and the A47 to the north across the Whittlesey Washes, which is prone to closure when the river Nene is in flood. To the south the B1040 links to the town of Ramsey, some 12 miles away. To the east is access to the A141, some 10 miles away, linking to March and also Wisbech. There is a regular bus service during the day that links Whittlesey to Peterborough and less frequent services to Ramsey and March. The town railway station is situated on the south eastern edge of the town about 1 mile from the College. Rail services linking to Peterborough, March, Ely and Cambridge are infrequent.

### Location Type

Predominantly Urban

### Local Amenities

Whittlesey is a town with many strengths. It is a popular and attractive place to live, with a strong community spirit. We have good and continuously improving schools. There is a programme of annual events, including the Straw Bear festival, attracts people from far and wide. There have some excellent restaurants and shops that draw people into the town. The town is always looking to improve and make necessary changes to thrive. Most recently, for example, the relocation of the bus station has brought new life to the centre of town and creates more opportunities for sustainable travel in the area for families. The relocation of the bus station to Grosvenor Road has also given the opportunity to do even more with the square, the area in which it was previously located. We also benefit from our proximity to Peterborough. As reflected in the CPIER, Whittlesey is considered much more a part of the Greater Peterborough economic geography, compared to the rest of Fenland. This creates opportunities for residents to work, study, and shopping, but the town also has an independent identity and distinct local culture. there is a strong sense of community, the close proximity to the countryside offered by a market town good walking and cycling routes, alongside the benefits of proximity to a city, with everything that it has to offer makes the town an attractive place to live and work. Active travel is easy as there is a good bus network and regular bus services. Most of the local services in the town including library and the shops can all be accessed on foot or by bike.

### Type of School

Secondary

### Education Level

Key Stage 3,Key Stage 4

### Head Teacher

Dawn White

## Student Information

### Age Range of Students

11-18

### Number of Students

1107

## Staff and Volunteer Information

Number of Full Time Employees	109
Number of Part Time Employees	55
Number of Volunteers	0

Volunteers who have been involved in the delivery of your Travel Plan

Currently there have been no volunteers involved in the travel plan but it is hoped that the school will be able to take part in the new Youth Travel Ambassador scheme being offered in the county and if our application to take part is successful, we would look to involve the YTA as volunteers to help monitor the travel plan.

	Opening times	Closing times
Monday	08:40:00	15:00:00
Tuesday	08:40:00	15:00:00
Wednesday	08:40:00	15:00:00
Thursday	08:40:00	15:00:00
Friday	08:45:00	15:00:00
Saturday	00:00:00	00:00:00
Sunday	00:00:00	00:00:00
Students' Official Start Time	08:40:00	
Students' Official Finish Time	15:00:00	
Breakfast Club Starts	08:00:00	
Breakfast Club Finishes	08:40:00	
After School Club Starts	15:00:00	
After School Club Finishes	17:00:00	

Other Timings

The College is regularly used by affiliated clubs and groups that in the main use the sporting facilities situated toward the northern side (rear) of the college. As a result they usually park in either the 3 designated bays beside the gym or on the playground. Sessions are usually booked from 17:30 to 22:00:00 (Little impact as most of these activities use the car parks when staff have left or park on the playground at the rear of the building)

## Site Details

Site Occupation

Site Ownership

## Site Details

Site Size

Other site details

## Additional Information

Local Authority Officer Working at Site      No

Other Information

There are regular after school clubs that students can attend and this does ease congestion at end times.

## Aims and Objectives

### Aims & Objectives of Travel Plan

Aim	Sir Harry Smith Community College wish to improve travel options for both students and staff and reduce congestion around the school site at peaks times.
Objectives	To reduce amount of journeys made by car and encourage sustainable travel options to all. Car sharing will be actively encouraged as is healthy options such as walking and scooting/biking to and from school. Road safety is taught in school and reminded to all regularly. The school Site Manager regularly reports on any requirements to support these initiatives.

## Working Group & STP Summary

Name	Role
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### Working Group Actions

## Site Audit

### Transportation Links

Does the school have a School Street in place?	No
Details of Walking Access to site	Pathways to school entrance and from exit this access is not shared by motor vehicles
Details of Cycling access to site	Use of pathways this access is not shared by motor vehicles
Details of Bus access to site	Via entrance to car park, one way system.
Details of Rail access to site	Whittlesey Railway station is approximately a 20 minute walk to school however students do not come by rail and although there are rail services to Peterborough and March approximately 12 trains per day stop at Whittlesey from March and Peterborough and the rail journey is a quick one of 8 - 11 minutes.
Details of Road Access to site	Via entrance to car park, one way system.

### Facilities

Description	Numbers
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## Facilities

	Total Student Cycle Spaces	250
Cycle Parking	Total Staff Cycle Spaces	10
	Total Visitor Cycle Spaces	0
	Details of on-site Cycle Parking	
Scooter Parking	Scooter Parking Spaces	100
Storage Lockers	Storage lockers for equipment	1129
Parent Shelter	Number of Parent Waiting Shelters	0
Shower Facilities	Showers available	38
Motorcycle/scooter	Parking facilities	There are no dedicated facilities but there are spaces for motorcycles and scooters within the staff car park area
Coach Parking	Facilities for coaches to park	0
Details of coach parking facilities	At the front of the school, to the left hand side. there is no formal drop off area, so capacity is difficult to quantify at present.	

## Car Travel

Accessible parking spaces	3
Car Share Parking Bays	0

## Car Travel

Car Club Parking Bays	0
Electric Vehicle Parking Bays	0
Electric Vehicle Charging Points	0
Staff Parking Bays	135
Visitors parking spaces	3
Other car parking details	141 parking bays for use by staff and visitors.

## Fleet Vehicles

Bus/Minibus	1
Pool Bicycles	0
Other	0
Further Information	the school does not have fleet vehicles

## STARS (Sustainable Travel and Road Safety) Audit

Name of road (outside main entrance)	Eastrea Road
Name of other roads surrounding the site	Coronation Avenue Drybread Road Cemetery Road
Date of assessment	15/10/2021
Speed limit of the road outside main entrance	30mph
Speed limit on other roads surrounding your site	

## How many of the following crossing facilities are present within 500m of your site?

Pelican Crossing	1
Puffin Crossing	0
Toucan Crossing	0
Zebra Crossing	0
School Crossing Patrol	0
Pedestrian Refuge	0

## Further Questions

Is there any traffic calming within 500m of the site, e.g. speed bumps, build outs	No
Are there railings present outside or near the main entrance?	Yes
Is the main vehicular entrance used for pedestrians/cyclists as well as cars?	Yes
Are there any dedicated cycle lanes leading to the site?	No
What is the quality of the pavements like within 500m of the site?	Average

Any other obstacles or road layout issues within 500 metres	The main road outside the school gates Eastrea Road is a busy commuter route but there are dedicated crossing places and students are encouraged to use them. There are also speed cameras on the road and this ensures fairly good compliance with the 30mph speed limit.
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## Engineering & Planning Measures

Cost

Date From

## Engineering & Planning Measures

Date To

Details of Measure



## Surveys, Modal Shift & Targets

### Student Travel Modal Shift

Modal Split	Walk	Cycle	Scoot	Bus (Public)	Bus (School)	Park & Stride	Train/Metro	Car Share	Car	Motorbike	Total
2021/2 Number	373.00	83.00	34.00	37.00	42.00	12.00	5.00	39.00	165.00	0	790.00
022 %	47.22	5.32	4.3	4.68	5.32	1.52	0.63	4.94	20.89	0	

### Staff Travel Modal Shift

Modal Split	Walk	Cycle	Scoot	Bus (Public)	Bus (School)	Park & Stride	Train/Metro	Car Share	Car	Motorbike	Total
2021/2 Number	10.00	4.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.00	81.00	1.03	99.00
022 %	10.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3.03	81.82	0	

## Targets

Status	Type	Mode of Travel	This Year's %	Preferred %	Target %	% Change	Percentage Points	Due Date	Target
Registered	Student Mode of Travel	Cycle	0	8.77	9	0	9	2025 / 2026	To increase % of students arriving at school on cycles. Provide additional , secure storage for cycles, undercover.
Registered	Staff Mode of Travel	Car Share	1.75	5.26	2.75	57.14	1	2025 / 2026	Promote car sharing to staff and encourage this mode of transport once Covid restrictions have eased. Look to provide assigned parking spaces for car sharing.
Registered	Staff Mode of Travel	Train/Metro /Tube	0	0	0.5	0	0.5	2025 / 2026	to promote the use of the rail network to those staff who travel from nearby cities and towns, Information and timetables to be readily available for staff. Promote

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the use of the train for staff going to meetings and for commuting.



## Consultations

Status	Type	Action	Responsible	Target Completion	Reporting	Completion Date
Completed - No Evidence	Local Authority	LA1 School is engaged with the LA with regards to implementing the School Travel Plan and STARS	Rachel Mason	15/10/2021	discuss revised travel plan and go through Modeshift system.	12/10/2021
Completed - No Evidence	Local Authority	LA1 School is engaged with the LA with regards to implementing the School Travel Plan and STARS	Rachel Mason	02/11/2021	Meeting to go over final elements of travel plan.	02/11/2021
Completed - No Evidence	Local Authority	LA1 School is engaged with the LA with regards to implementing the School Travel Plan and STARS	R Mason	06/06/2023	Consult with R Mullins on revising SHS travel plan to reflect up to date pupil numbers and initiatives following and during expansion from 6 form to 8 form entry.	06/06/2023
Completed - No Evidence	Pupils	P6	Clair Meadows	21/10/2021	All students will be surveyed to confirm their mode of travel to and from school to allow for analysis of this and to identify areas that can be improved upon for purpose of sustainable travel and healthy choices.	20/10/2021

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## Travel & Transport Issues

### Current Travel & Transport Issues

Status	Details of Issue / concern	Date of Issue	Category
Current	Lack of cycle paths	19/07/2021	Cycling

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## Travel Initiatives

Status	Type	Action	Person Responsible	Target Completion	Reporting	Completion date
Completed - No Evidence	Air Quality	AQ1 School promotes car sharing	Headteacher	21/12/2021	Staff will be actively encouraged to car share but this has been halted due to the current pandemic. Once it is safe to do so the school will again begin this initiative.	01/05/2023
Completed - No Evidence	Cycling	C2 Cycle parking installed	Site Manager	15/10/2021	Bike sheds built on school site with shelter to provide safe and dry storage for bikes.	15/10/2021
Completed - No Evidence	Public Transportation	PT3 School promotes responsible behaviour on public transport / has bus behaviour policy	Headteacher	15/10/2021	School behaviour policy clearly defines expectations on students.	15/10/2021
Completed - No Evidence	Public Transportation	PT4 Private coaches for school trips pick up and set down in safe / accessible places	Site Manager	15/10/2021	Coaches are directed to the side of the school near the entrance where they park safely to allow children on/off the buses and straight onto a pedestrian pathway.	15/10/2021
Completed - No Evidence	Public Transportation	PT5 School promotes young person's travel card scheme	Headteacher	21/12/2021	School to advertise travel card options and advise students/parents/carers	01/02/2022
Completed - No Evidence	Road Safety & Training	R13 Use of transition resources	Head of year 7 and Headteacher	21/07/2022	Information in prospectus/literature for new parents on active travel. Transition events took place and included speaking about travel options and road safety	11/11/2022
Completed - No Evidence	Road Safety & Training	R18 Road Safety Day/Week	Senior Leadership Team	26/11/2022	Lesson plans/examples of works/posters placed around school	13/06/2023
Completed - No Evidence	Road Safety & Training	R19 Other road safety & training initiative 1	Headteacher	15/10/2021	Form time can be used to increase road safety awareness in addition to R9.	15/10/2021
Completed - No Evidence	Road Safety & Training	R9 Road Safety assembly/presentation	Headteacher	15/10/2021	Headteacher confirmed assemblies include this at least once a year.	15/10/2021
Completed - No Evidence	Walking & Scooting	W12 Scooter storage installed	Site Manager	15/10/2021	Sheltered scooter storage with bike sheds installed.	15/10/2021
Completed - No Evidence	Walking & Scooting	W12 Scooter storage installed	Site Manager	09/08/2022	Student storage is available.	05/01/2023

## Supporting Initiatives

Status	Type	Action	Person Responsible	Target Completion	Reporting	Completion date
Completed	Curriculum	CU12 Other curriculum work 3	School Travel Plan champion and Class Teachers	05/10/2021	There was no charge for us to have the film which was created by our Road Safety Education Team in the County. This film consists of 4 short scenarios covering various road safety situations that young people encounter. The film was written and acted by students who had felt that the road safety messages in such films from government departments were unconvincing as they were using actors to portray students and lacked authenticity.	08/10/2021
Completed - No Evidence	Curriculum	CU8 Pupils use school travel survey data from STARS in lessons	Head of PE	21/12/2021	Completion of lesson plans to include this data as a learning tool.	23/03/2022
Completed - No Evidence	Promotion	PR10 Social Media Campaign	Office	04/02/2022	Copies/screenshots of tweets/social media posts	05/10/2022
Completed - No Evidence	Promotion	PR13 Information on website	Office	21/12/2021	Website	01/02/2022
Completed - No Evidence	Promotion	PR2 Info sent to residents / school communicates with residents	Headteacher	21/12/2021	Website/Social media/School newsletters updated to include action points. Website updated	08/06/2022
Planned	Promotion	PR9 Assembly	Headteacher	04/02/2022	Lesson plan for assembly.	

## Gold Standard Initiatives

Status	Type	Action	Reporting	Completion date
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## Excellent/Outstanding Standard Testimony

Testimony

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## Sign off and Formal Approval

Title	Signoff
Senior Management Team - Name	Rachel Mason
Senior Management Statement of Endorsement	SHS Travel plan has been effectively written and updated following expansion plans for the College. The school works hard to promote better modes of transport to avoid congestion and parking concerns, and have checked travel as part of the expansion.
Senior Management Team Sign Off	Y
Local Authority - Name	
Local Authority Sign Off	N

# Planning Applications

## Planning Application

Planning Application Number

Date of Application

Development Name

Date Application Approved

Proposed Date of Occupation

Outline timescales for occupation and details of any phasing of development

Occupation Status

Date of Occupation

Development Overview

Planning Status

Development Proposal

Please specify

Secured by Condition

Monitoring Fee

Monitoring Proposals

Date of Annual Monitoring Visit

Length of Application (YEARS)

Sanctions/ Performance Bonds

Travel Plan Champion

Travel Plan Author

Contact details for the Travel Plan Author

Objectives of the Travel Plan

Transportation Summary

S106 Summary

Details of SEN Students (number) and if They Have A Transportation Statement

PTAL Input

Baseline survey information

Planning Application

Future Development Likely to Increase  
Traffic Levels or Influence Travel Patterns

## Site Changes

Current      New

Full-Time Staff Roll

Part-Time Staff Roll

Description of changes to accesses (e.g. pedestrian, cyclist, vehicle

Electric Vehicle Car Parking Bays

Visitor Car Parking Space(s)

Staff Car Parking Space(s)

Accessible Car Parking Space(s)

Student Cycle Space(s)

Staff Cycle Space(s)

Visitors Cycle Parking Space(s)

Scooter Parking Space(s)

## Site Changes

Public Transport Drop off Arrangements

Motorcycle/Scooter parking facilities

Storage Lockers

Shower Facilities

## Opening/Closing Times

Current Opening/Closing Times

Opening Times

Closing Times

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Sunday

## Opening/Closing Times

Details of opening and closing times

Proposed Opening/Closing Times

Opening Times

Closing Times

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Sunday

Student

Breakfast Clubs

After School Clubs

Other

## Opening/Closing Times

Details of opening and closing times