



Travel Plan

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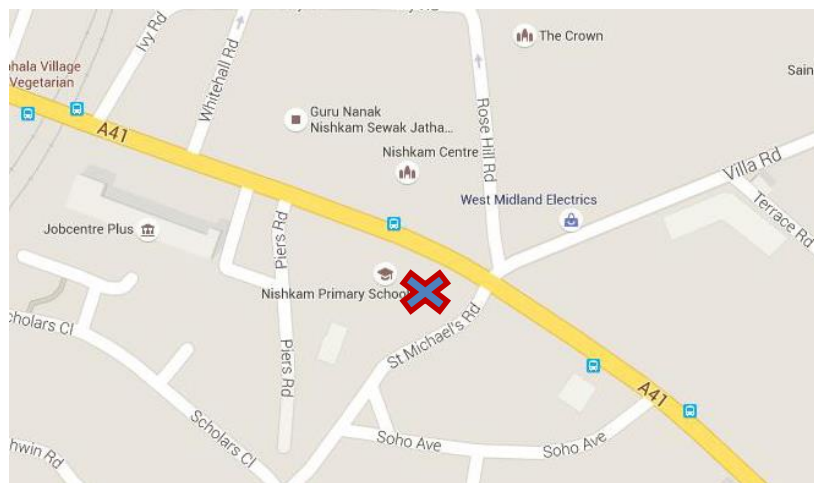
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School Profile

- Nishkam Primary School is a primary free school which opened in September 2011 and which currently accommodates 366 children. The school is two form entry and will accommodate up to 420 children when it is full. Nishkam Primary School is located next to Nishkam Nursery which is a feeder nursery to the school.
- The school day operates between 8:30am and 4pm Monday – Friday so it does not conflict with the adjacent St Michael's C of E Junior School, whose start and finish times are 8:55am and 3:15pm respectively
- There are currently 57 members of staff of which 32 are teaching staff who are on-site all day

School Location

- The school is located on the corner of Soho Road and St Michaels Road in Handsworth.



- Nishkam Primary School is a school with Faith Designation. 50% of pupils are chosen on 'faith criteria' and 50% are chosen randomly through Birmingham City Council admissions. 42% of pupils live within 2 miles of the school and 87% of pupils live within 3 miles of the school.
- The catchment area of pupils is shown in Appendix 1.

Existing Sustainable Travel Options

Walking and Cycling

- Walking is the most important mode of travel at the local level and offers the greatest potential to replace short car trips, particularly under 2 km. There are significant areas of housing within a 2 km radius of the site. All roads adjacent and leading to the site have footways and street lighting.
- Cycling has the potential to substitute for short car trips particularly under 5km. There are no designated cycle routes on the roads in the immediate vicinity of the site.

Bus Services

- The site is well served by public transport with two services using Soho Road and Villa Road (40X and 123), and two services using Soho Road and Soho Hill (74 and 79).
- There are bus stops with shelters on Soho Road, located 100m from the site for westbound services and 20m from the site for eastbound services.
- There are stops on Soho Hill within 150m of the site, the westbound stop having a shelter. Bus stops are also situated on Villa Road within 90m of the site.

Car Park Management

Pupil drop-off and pick-up

- The school is directly opposite a place of worship with a large car park which is used a park and stride site.
- In the morning parents enter the car park through the entrance off Soho Road as pupils alight from their parents' vehicles they are met and collected into small groups by school assistants.
- The groups of children are escorted to the traffic signals at the junction of Soho Road with St Michael's Road and cross Soho Road under the supervision of the school staff..
- Parents are encouraged to park in available spaces on the car park, collect their children from an assembly point in front of the building and immediately leave the car park.
- Staff of the school ensure that parents' cars do not block access into the site or egress from the site.

Staff Parking

- There are currently 57 staff of which 32 are teaching staff. The current recommended parking allocation is one space for three staff which would give a maximum of 19 spaces.
- A total of 20 designated off-street parking spaces are available for staff parking across Soho road in a secure car park
- Disabled staff will have priority use of the on-site spaces.
- The spaces are prioritised for staff members who are car share users
- Enforcement measures are in place to prevent unauthorised use.

Travel Plan Aims & Objectives

The aim of the Travel Plan is to encourage staff, parents and pupils to use environmentally friendly and sustainable modes of travel to access the site.

The following initial objectives are proposed to meet the aim of the Travel Plan:

- To incorporate facilities within the design and construction of the development to aid and promote sustainable travel to the site.
- To develop commitment to the Travel Plan from staff, parents and pupils.
- To promote measures that will encourage staff, parents and pupils to access the site by sustainable modes of travel or by multi-occupied vehicles.
- To reduce unnecessary travel.
- To ensure that all staff, parents and pupils are made aware of the Travel Plan and the measures it contains to promote sustainability.
- To set agreed targets with the City Council.
- To establish regular monitoring and review procedures for implementing and updating the Travel Plan.

Travel Plan Initiatives

Walking

- Walking to school is actively promoted within the school curriculum. In order to ensure safety for pupils crossing roads school staff monitor the entrances in the mornings and evenings.

- The school takes part in 'Walk to School' days.

Cycling

- The demand for cycle parking is also monitored on site. Currently only two members of staff travel to school by bicycle and keep their cycles inside the building as there are no external cycle facilities.

School Bus

- The school reviews annually demand for school bus options but currently there is not enough demand. This is reviewed on an ongoing basis.

Parents

- The travel charter is discussed with parents when children are admitted to the school
- Travel news and letters are conveyed to parents regarding traveling to school safely and using sustainable modes of transport

Travel Co-coordinator's Responsibilities

The school has a Travel Plan Coordinator (TPC) who leads activities to encourage sustainable modes of travel. The TPC responsibilities include:

- Development, implementation, review and monitoring of the Travel Plan.
- Affiliation to the City Council's, Community Travel Wise and/or other appropriate travel schemes.
- Promotion of modes of travel other than by the car.
- Promoting and organising a car share scheme for staff
- Establishing measures to promote cycling and walking.
- Carrying out regular surveys of usage of the car park.

School Travel statistics

The distance that pupils live from school (based on 366 pupils):

Distance	Percentage	Cumulative Distance	Cumulative %
within 1 mile	24%	Within 1 mile	24%
1 to 2 miles	18%	Within 2 miles	42%
2 to 3 miles	45%	Within 3 miles	87%
> 3 miles	13%	Within 10 miles	100%

Modal Shifts over time:

	Car	Car share	Bus (public)	School bus	Train	Bicycle	Walking
2011	36%	5%	26%	0%	0%	2%	31%
2012	31%	6%	24%	0%	0%	0%	39%
2013	26%	9%	26%	0%	0%	1%	38%
2014	29%	11%	24%	0%	0%	1%	35%

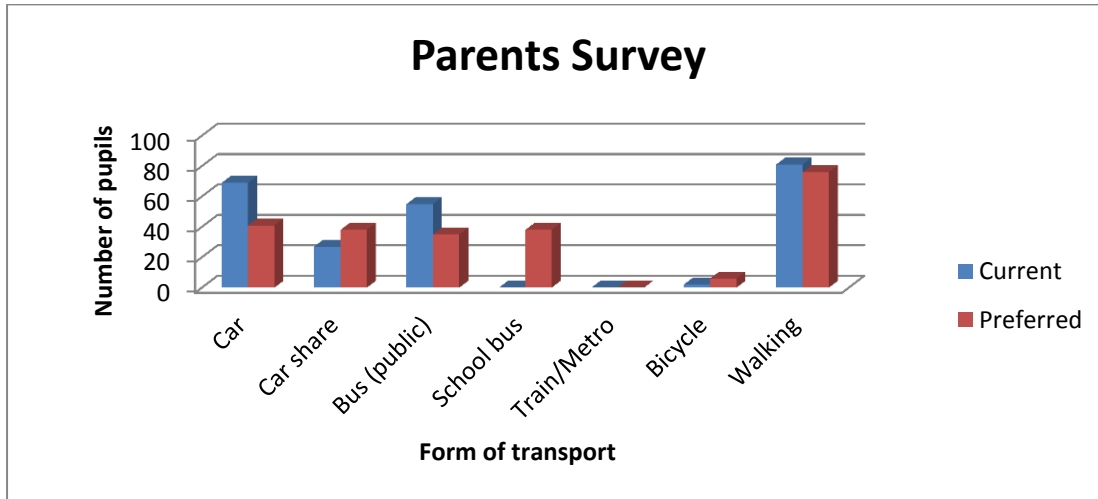
Travel Survey

Parents Survey:

Responses: 301

Response rate: 82%

Survey undertaken: February 2015

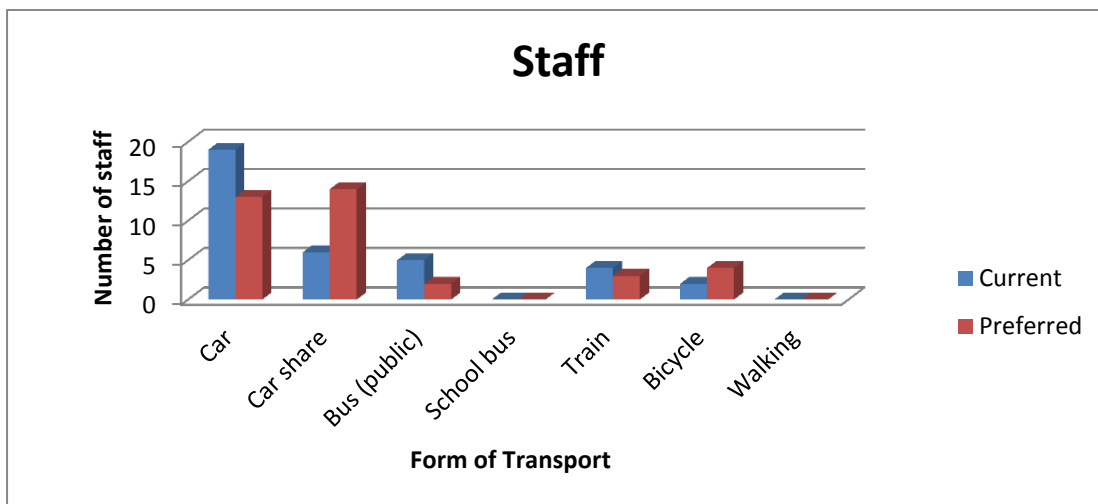


Staff:

Responses: 46

Response rate: 82%

Survey undertaken: February 2015



Targets

- ◇ Increase pupils who walk to school
- ◇ The school will continue to promote car sharing amongst parents.
- ◇ Further promote car sharing to school staff
- ◇ Have onsite facilities for external parking of cycles as well as shower facilities for staff who wish to cycle to school.

Action Plan

Action	Timeline	Staff Responsible	Success Criteria	Monitoring & Evaluation
To provide extensive information to all pupils and parents on public transport availability and how to make the best use of it	Induction meetings for all Reception pupils in July	School Safer Travel Co-ordinator	For current levels of bus use to be maintained if not increased by 2018	Bus usage monitored on take up levels and annually through School Travel Survey
Encourage staff to car share or use sustainable modes of transport by increasing awareness of options and benefits	Termly at staff meetings	School Safer Travel Co-ordinator	An increase staff sharing cars to get to school	Annually monitoring through Travel Survey
Work towards national accreditation for the Modeshift STARS starting with Bronze.	Bronze - Sep 2017	School Safer Travel Co-ordinator	Accreditation at Bronze level	Monitor progress with Birmingham City Council Travel Plan Advisor
Hold 'Walk to School days' to promote the sustainable travel to pupils	Annually	School Safer Travel Co-ordinator	Increased participation of pupils in 'walk to school'	Monitor number of pupils participating in these activities based on current levels
A number of covered secure cycle stands are to be provided on the site, the number and location to be agreed with the LPA.	September 2018	TPC, Building Services and LPA	Cycle stands to be installed	Annually monitoring of cycle use through Travel Survey
Shower and changing facilities will also be provided.	September 2018	TPC, Building Services and LPA	Shower and changing facilities to be installed	Annually monitoring of cycle use through Travel Survey

Monitoring & Review

The TPC will undertake a comprehensive review of the travel plan annually and the school is committed to:

- ◇ Completing travel surveys with parents and staff annually. This will offer the opportunity to gain new information about attitudes to travel and will enable changes in travel patterns, such as modal share, to be compared with the data collected at the start of the travel plan.
- ◇ Issue a new action plan within the travel plan annually and review and highlight any successes and obstacle following previous actions taken
- ◇ The TPC will be responsible for undertaking the review and for producing an annual report which will feed into the school travel plan.
- ◇ The TPC will assess the progress towards improved modal share targets and these will be reviewed in consultation with the authority as part of the review process.
- ◇ The review process with a Travel Advisor from the Council (BCC) and consider amendments proposed where necessary. The travel plan will be agreed with the Travel Advisor.

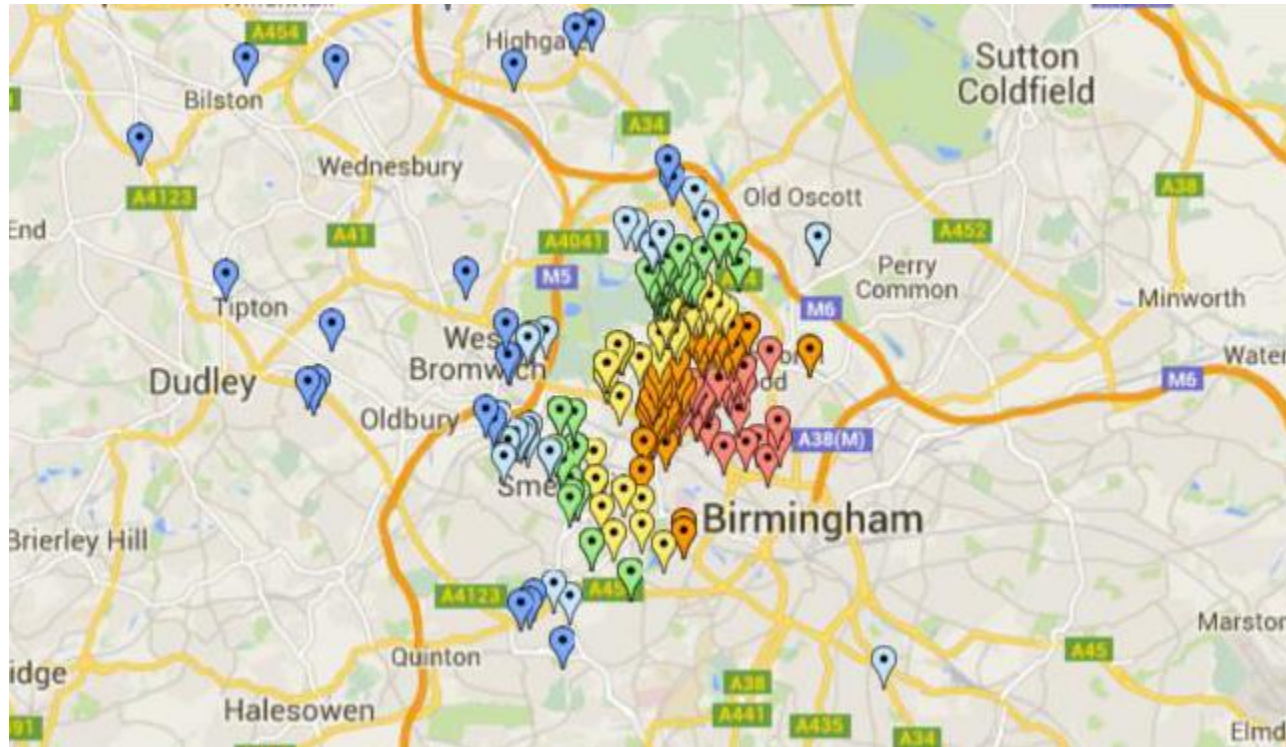
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Appendix 1 – Pupil catchment area



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