

News Release



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Stirling Road, Dunblane, Public Realm Improvements

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Stirling Council has secured £550,000 for improving the area between Dunblane Station and the High Street. The work builds on the current Network Rail Access for All work at Dunblane Station and will extend the “access for all” principle between the station and the High Street.

[Stirling Council Leader Cllr Johanna Boyd said: “This is a great opportunity to improve the appearance of and accessibility to Dunblane town centre for local people, businesses and visitors. It also builds upon the extensive works being carried out by the Council in Stirling city centre and elsewhere.”](#)

The money comes from the national sustainable transport charity Sustrans. The scheme’s key objective is to improve the streetscape between Dunblane Station and the High Street, making it more pedestrian and cycle friendly (in particular for people with mobility difficulties) whilst retaining access and parking for the station, businesses and residents.

The Council will work with the community during 2014/15 to identify and design improvements in line with the scheme’s objectives, and implement during 2015/16.

A steering group of local community representatives has been set up to develop ideas and will be organising events to gain the community’s views during the year. The first of these events will be on Wednesday 30th July:

- Dunblane Community Council has engaged Living Streets Scotland to facilitate a Community Street Audit event on the 30th of July. The event will provide an opportunity to better understand some of the issues faced by people making this short journey on foot at the present time, and to capture some ideas for improvements. As part of the event, a drop-in session will be held from 1.30pm – 3.00pm at the Dunblane Christian Fellowship

building, and local people, business owners and commuters are invited to come along to have their say about the issues that most affect them.

- In conjunction with the Street Audit, Sustrans will be hosting an information stand on Stirling Road on the 30th, where they will be on hand to listen to members of the public about what they'd like to see.

In addition, if you have any comments or ideas that you want to make on the project you can also email transportplanning@stirling.gov.uk or phone 08452 777000 (from landline) or 018786 404040 (from mobile).

~~Stirling Council's Provost, Councillor Mike Robbins said: "This is a great opportunity to improve Dunblane town centre for local people and businesses, both in terms of appearance, but also accessibility."~~

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Watch out for more information and event details over the coming months.

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