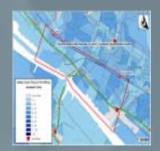
DfT National Core Accessibility Indicators - Progress and Options Seminar

29 May 2008 - Great Minster House, London

The national core accessibility indicators are helping to make connections with integrated planning of access to services.

Accessibility is now being monitored as part of cross sectoral Local Area Agreements. There is therefore a growing need to improve the quality and availability of the indicators. This seminar will review the current indicators and discuss options for improvements.

Understanding who has access to public services is an important input to the national policy for all national government departments. Accessible services help to strengthen the economy, deliver an inclusive society and reduce the distance people need to travel.



DfT takes the lead role amongst national government departments for accessibility planning, but high quality evidence on accessibility change is important in the policy and planning processes across the remit of government, and in both national and local contexts.

Accessibility analysis techniques are evolving. These indicators show some of the opportunities available to different groups of people and in each geographical area. As the quality and availability of data and analysis improves, the opportunities to look at accessibility in new ways are evolving locally and nationally.

In May 2008 the latest set of core indicators will be published and this seminar will help:

- Local authorities to understand how the core indicators are being calculated and what they are being used for.
- Other accessibility planning stakeholders in national, regional and local government to debate how existing data can be better used to inform policy and funding decisions.
- Policy makers and planners to identify how economic, social and environmental benefits can be secured through plans and funding decisions, based on quantitative accessibility measures.
- National and local analysts and modellers to understand how evidence on accessibility is used within policy development.

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It is expected that the seminar will, be of interest to:

- Land use and transport planners in local authorities and passenger transport executives.
- National government departments with interests in access to work, learning, health, and other opportunities.
- Community planning partners in local areas.
- Regional transport and planning authorities.
- Consultants assisting public authorities.

Seminar Programme

10:30-11am - Registration and Coffee

Where are we now?

11am - Richard Campbell, DfT Introduction to the National Core Indicators.

11:10 - Derek Halden, DHC Overview of the lessons learned on core indicators project to date

11:40 - Eleanor Druker and Iain Willis, Legal Services Commission The challenges of ensuring equitable access to legal advice.

12:00 - Martin Bowman, South Yorkshire PTE PTEG views of useful accessibility indicators for transport authorities.

12:20 Discussion

12:40 - Lunch

Making the Improvements

13:20 - Duncan Hill, Dotted Eyes Data assembly, quality control, and making information available

13:35 - Mike Hilton, THALES and Peter Miller ITO The National Public Transport Data Repository - Challenges in delivering usable public transport data for accessibility analysis.

13:55 - Bruce Ramsay, Automatica Making accessibility analysis easier

14:15 - Panel Session/workshop Towards the future

15:15 - Richard Campbell DfT Summary and Conclusion

15:30 - Close

For Further information see: http://www.dft.gov.uk/pgr/statistics/datatablespublications/ltp/coreaccessindicators2005