

**Application Reference: 17/0466 - Land at Warren Drive, Thornton Cleveleys, Blackpool
Woodlark Chase Residential Development – Travel Plan Monitoring Report – December 2023**

Introduction

Eddisons have been commissioned by Lovell Partnerships to formally discharge the specific Travel Plan condition relating to a residential development, known as Woodlark Chase, on land at Warren Drive in Thornton Cleveleys, Blackpool.

A planning application (App Ref No: 17/0466), which was accompanied by a Transport Assessment (TA) and Travel Plan (TP), has been granted subject to Conditions.

Condition 26 of the extant planning consent relates to the specific Travel Plan condition which is provided below:

'None of the dwellings hereby approved shall be first occupied until a Residential Travel Plan has been submitted to, and approved in writing by, the Local Planning Authority. The Travel Plan shall include measures to improve the 2 nearest bus stops on Fleetwood Road. The Plan shall then be implemented in accordance with the approved details and the implemented details shall be retained thereafter.'

Travel Plan

Following the submission of an updated Travel Plan in January 2021, Blackpool Council in their role as local highway authority, discharged Condition 26 in March 2021, under Application Ref: 20/0680.

Notwithstanding the condition discharge, Lovell Partnerships are aware that they are obligated to continue to meet the monitoring requirements as set out in the approved Travel Plan for a period of 5 years.

The below action plan provides an update on the latest position of the Travel Plan for monitoring purposes.

Action	Target Date	Indicator/Measured by	Responsibility	Progress
Appointment of TPC	TPC appointed at least 1 month prior to first occupation of site	Appointment of TPC by target date	Lovell	Complete
Production of Welcome Pack	Upon Occupation	Resident travel survey	Lovell/TPC	Complete
Undertake travel surveys	Within 3 months of reaching 75% occupation of development	Receipt of survey results	Undertake travel surveys	Ongoing
Agree Travel Plan Targets	Within 6 months of reaching 75% occupation of development	Receipt of Written agreements of target	Agree Travel Plan Targets	Ongoing
Year 1 – Annual Monitoring Report and Target Review	1 year from initial Travel Survey (November/December 2023)	Submission of monitoring report	TPC	Complete
Year 2 – Annual Monitoring Report and Target Review	2 years from initial Travel Survey (November/December 2024)	Submission of monitoring report	TPC	Travel Plan to be revised as necessary
Year 3 – Annual Monitoring Report and Target Review	3 years from initial Travel Survey (November/December 2025)	Submission of monitoring report	TPC	Travel Plan to be revised as necessary
Year 4 – Annual Monitoring	4 years from initial Travel Survey	Submission of monitoring report	TPC	Travel Plan to be

Report and Target Review	(November/December 2025)			revised as necessary
Achieve target car driver travel to work mode split	5 years after initial travel survey	Residents travel surveys conducted in years 1, 3 and 5.	TPC	

Table 1 Travel Plan Action Plan and Timescales

Year 1 Travel Survey Results

Since the initial Travel Survey, the development at Woodlark Chase is now 100% occupied and initial survey results have been obtained.

A total of 6 households out of the 86 occupied dwellings have completed the Travel Survey. This represents a 7% response rate.

Due to the low response rate, initial Travel Plan targets have been based on Journey to Work MSOA Blackpool 002 but these will be adjusted as more survey results are obtained.

The latest result of the model split results can be seen in Table 2 below:

Mode	MSOA Blackpool 002	Target
Car (Driver)	63%	58%
Car (Passenger)	8%	8%
Public Transport	9%	10%
Bicycle	2%	4%
Walk	8%	10%
Motorbike	1%	1%
Work Mainly From Home	8%	8%
Other	1%	1%
Total	100%	100%

Table 2 Modal Split and Targets

As can be seen from Table 2, the largest travel mode in the area is that of Car Driver. However, there is currently an encouraging level of travel on foot.

Initial minimum targets for the developments model split are, therefore, proposed as follows;

- Car Driver - Reduction of 5% to 58%.
- Public Transport - Increase of 1% to 10%.
- Bicycle - Increase of 2% to 4%.
- Walking - Increase of 2% to 10%.

Ongoing actions for Year 2 will be to attempt to increase the survey response rate and to conduct an ongoing review of the modal split data to ensure the Travel Plan remains on target. The Travel Plan will be updated at the end of Year 2 if necessary.

It is considered that this approach will ensure that the Travel Plan process remains relevant and reflective and Eddisons will continue to work with Blackpool Council to achieve the goals set out within the Travel Plan.

The Travel Plan will be treated as a fluid 'live' document and any changes to Travel Plan Coordinator will be reported to Blackpool Council. The current details of the Travel Plan Coordinator are provided below:

Current Details of Travel Plan Coordinator

For Blackpool Council's records, Eddisons (formerly Croft Transport Planning & Design) are currently appointed to act as Travel Plan Co-ordinator at the site.

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