

"The NW Leeds Transport Forum, representing several Residents' Associations and Community Groups in the NW of our City, wants to bring to your attention our substantive support for bringing about improvements to transport both locally and throughout the City. We thus support the 3 key objectives of the WYLTP -3 set out in Para 4.9.3 and the support in Para 4.9.4 for sustainable travel choices.

The general content of the C S Development Plan are definitely supported by us. However, the particular proposal called New Generation Transport or trolley bus scheme is not supported. Our opposition arises from its failure to fulfil or support the principles of the Core Strategy. Specific points are:- According to the Promoter's own submissions traffic congestion will increase, emissions will increase, door-to-door journey times could easily increase for some users.

Service quality on the trolley bus will undoubtedly be worse than current and future buses because of the predominance of standing passengers on the trolleys.

All of these are contrary to the tenets of the Core Transport Strategy as defined in Para 4.9.5.

Additionally Para 4.9.6 calls for "securing the promotion and delivery of a fully integrated transport system which includes a high quality public transport system". The current NGT plans fail to meet these requirements. Its route serves many areas in the northern sector but few, if any, of these need regeneration - again failing to meet Para 4.9.6 requirements.

We seek to ensure that Central and Local Govt funding is properly used to support the Core Strategy and bring real benefit to our City and its residents and businesses.

The NGT plan is not proper use of £250m - and probably increasing - funds."