

Connections

5.1.19 To address the physical and social disconnectivity between the City Centre and the inner-city (the Rim), the Council will advance and promote schemes to improve pedestrian linkages. Particular attention will be given to overcoming obstacles to movement such as Armley Gyratory, Sheepscar Junction and the Southern Inner Ring Road/M621. The West Leeds Gateway Supplementary Planning Document provides more information about Armley Gyratory. In line with Policy CC3, new development will need to be laid out and designed to improve connectivity, for example large redevelopment sites might be laid out with new traversing roads or pathways to improve connectivity; smaller developments might enhance an existing route by providing lighting or installing windows overlooking the route to improve natural surveillance. *Any provision made under Policy CC3, will need to be considered in relation to the open space provision or contributions expected under Policy G5. The focus of these policies is to provide appropriate levels of on and off site contributions to open space and infrastructure to improve amenity and connectivity.*

Open Space and Permeability

5.1.20 Existing public open space will be protected and new space sought in association with new development in line with the green space policies (G3 and G5). Maximum pedestrian permeability and public accessibility should be promoted in new development.

POLICY CC3: IMPROVING CONNECTIVITY BETWEEN THE CITY CENTRE & NEIGHBOURING COMMUNITIES

Development at appropriate locations is required to help provide and improve routes connecting the City Centre with adjoining neighbourhoods and improve connections within the City Centre in order to *improve access to jobs and services, to encourage greater usage and* make walking and cycling easier, safer and more attractive, *new development will be expected:*

- i) to make contributions (and contributions through the Community Infrastructure Levy once introduced),*
- ii) if proposals are located in the line of or adjacent to a new route or a route planned for improvement, to make appropriate route enhancements or appropriate off site contributions.*