

February's Workplace Travel Planning Newsletter

With the evenings becoming that bit brighter - and weather ***hopefully*** changing for the better - now is the time that people start to dust off their bikes or give their walking shoes a clean.

This month's newsletter provides information on how to capitalise on the change in seasons to help you and your colleagues take full advantage of Edinburgh's incoming good weather and help people start commuting in healthier, more sustainable ways!

Scottish Workplace Journey Challenge 1st - 31st March

Join the challenge and commute to work by bike, foot, public transport or lift-sharing.

All you have to do is register log your journeys and you'll

Scottish Workplace Journey Challenge: 1st – 31st March 2020

Registrations are now open for the Sustrans <u>Scottish Workplace</u> <u>Journey Challenge</u>. Throughout March, workplaces across Scotland will compete to log the most active or sustainable journeys to, from and for work.

Register your workplace and encourage colleagues to log the journeys they make by foot, bike, public transport and car-share to climb up the leaderboard.

The Journey Challenge is a free web-based competition and is a great way to engage colleagues in travelling in ways that benefit their health and well-being, as well as the environment.

To find out more and register, visit <u>https://scotland.getmeactive.org.uk/</u>. or get in touch with a member of the Team.

Edinburgh Specific Sustrans Workplace Journey Challenge Prizes

Alongside the £5000 worth of <u>prizes</u> up for grabs from Sustrans, we at the Workplace Travel Planning Team are offering specific prizes to Edinburgh-based workplaces:

Prize 1 – Early Bird

Selection Criteria: A lucky individual from a workplace who signs up for the SWJC between January and February. Prize: £20 Cinema Voucher

Prize 2 – Week 1 'Get Going'

Selection Criteria: The individual who logs the most journeys by walking within that week.

Prize: £20 Retail Voucher of their Choice

Prize 3 – Week 2 'Make a Change'

Selection Criteria: A lucky individual who has swapped the car for a bike over the two weeks. *Prize:* £30 Tiso Voucher

Prize 4 – Week 3 'Be More Active'

Selection Criteria: A lucky individual who has logged more than three active travel journeys in that week. *Prize*: Five x 1-Hour Passes for JustEat Cycles

Prize 5 – Week 4 'Tell your Story'

Selection Criteria: Can you post the best interim quote / selfie using the #JourneyChallengeEdinburgh? Prize: Five x Lothian Bus Day Journey Passes [valid until 2021]

Prize 6 – Grand Prize for Workplace with Most Participation

Selection Criteria: One of the Top 10 Workplaces who have logged the most journeys over the month will be randomly selected to win our grand prize! *Prize:* A 3 Hour <u>Dr Bike</u> Session [worth £300!]

To be applicable for these prizes you don't have to do anything extra. All you have to do is register with Sustrans and focus on logging those extra walks, cycles and journeys!



Future Edinburgh - City Plan 2030 & City Mobility Plan Consultations

Edinburgh has set itself an ambitious target to become carbon neutral by 2030. To help achieve this goal, Edinburgh is developing two-long term strategies which will set out how the city is shaped and transformed over the coming years:

<u>Choice for City Plan 2030</u>: Sets out options for how Edinburgh can be sustainably developed over the next ten years. <u>City Mobility Plan</u>: Proposes radical changes as to how people and good move around the city.

In developing these strategies, the Council wants to hear **your** views on how **you** think Edinburgh should be developed over the coming years. As a result, consultation on both strategies is now live and will run until **Friday 27th March**. Links to each consultation can be found below:

Choices for City Plan 2030 | City Mobility Plan

Details about <u>Drop-In Events</u> can be found <u>here</u>, whilst information about other projects helping to deliver Edinburgh's carbon neutral target can be found <u>here</u>.



Update on Toolkit & Forthcoming Support

We are still developing our Toolkit and will provide you with updates as and when they come.

In the meantime, if you have any travel planning needs then please do not hesitate to get in touch with one of the Team and we'll be sure to find an answer to your query!

If you have any questions or queries, then please do hesitate to contact edinburghworkplaces@stantec.com and a member of the Team will get in touch!