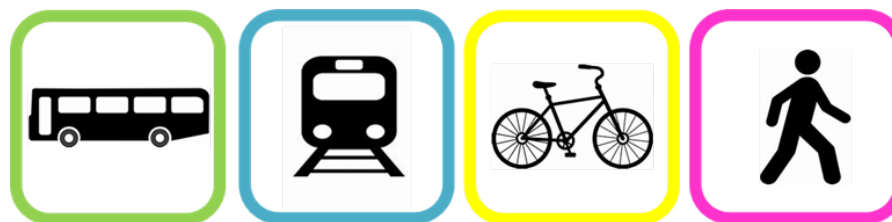




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Better in Bassetlaw: Transport Strategy 2019 – 2021



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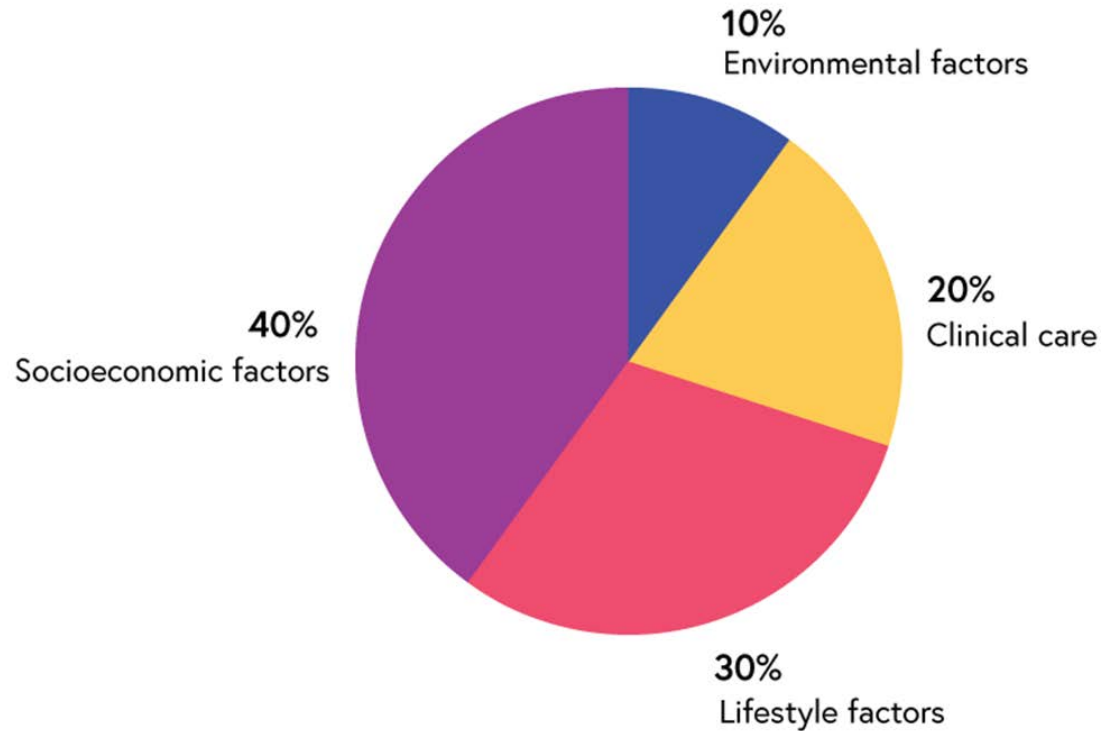
Transport – Priority for Bassetlaw

- A collaboration event in July 2018 gathered partners from NHS, local government and third sector to identify the main priorities and opportunities for Bassetlaw.
- It was recognised that the determinants of health lie predominantly outside traditional health services and that a more integrated approach towards creating the conditions in which wellbeing can be optimised was needed.
- Transport was an important component of daily life, as it enabled people to get to and from important appointments, whether they be social or for medical need.

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What helps determine health?

Weighting of the social determinants of health



Transport – Top 4 Priorities

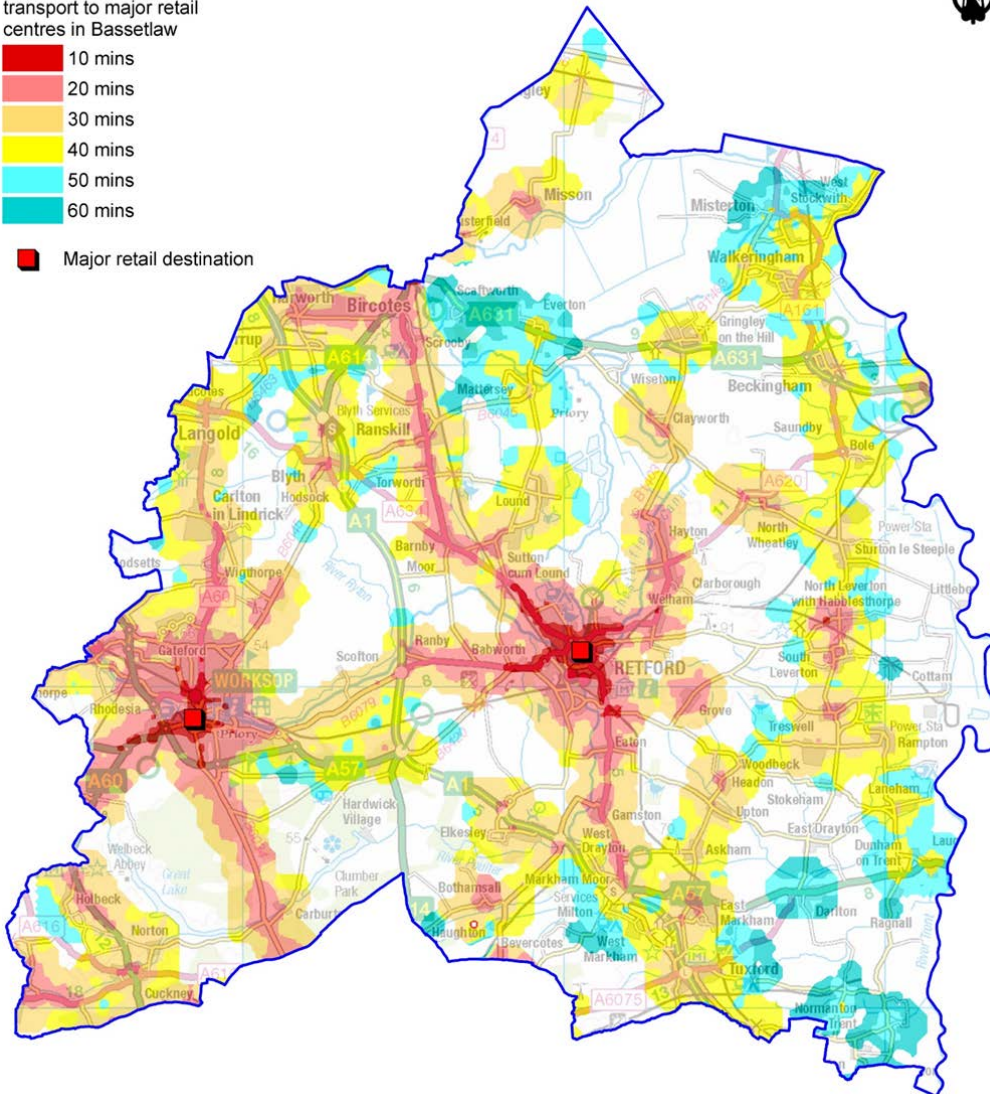
- To better understand transport issues and engage communities;
- To make better use of existing transport resources and opportunities;
- To increase the skills, knowledge and capability of Bassetlaw people;
- A shared approach to finance, resourcing and investment in transport arrangements.

Issues around Transport

- Rurality of the district
- Availability of public transport
- The extent of the transport offer, including:
 - Passenger transport for patients
 - Access to services and work
- Risks of loneliness and isolation particularly in rural areas

Travel times by public transport to major retail destinations in Bassetlaw

Travel times by public transport to major retail centres in Bassetlaw



Rurality of Bassetlaw an issue

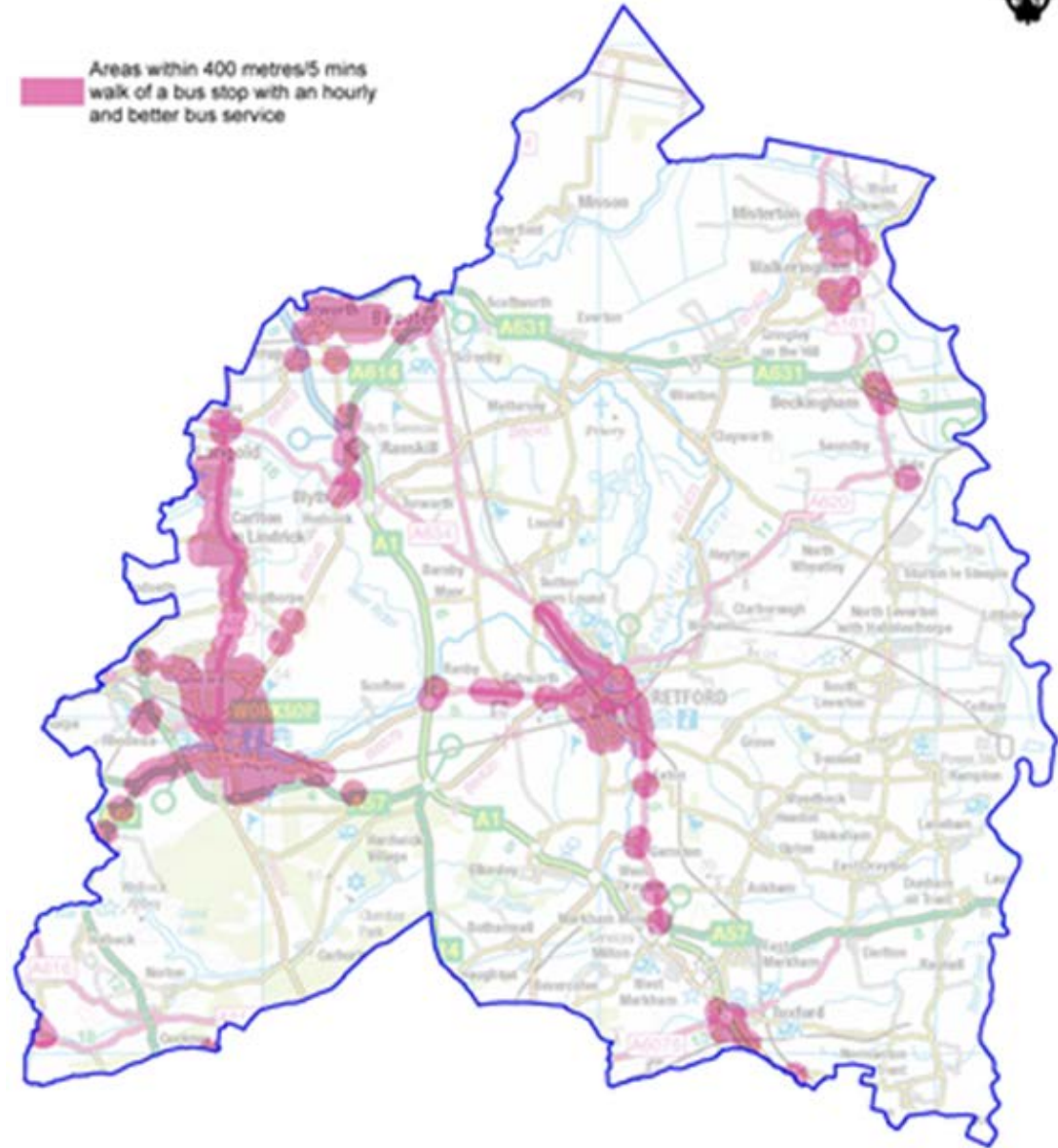
Public Transport in Bassetlaw

Bassetlaw has public transport services planned by Nottinghamshire County Council

Areas within 400 metres/5 mins walk of a bus stop with an hourly and better bus service on weekdays 0600-1800 hrs



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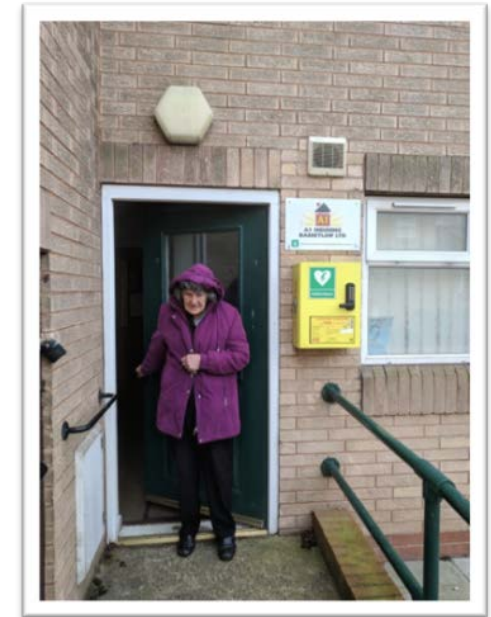
Transport offer in Bassetlaw

- Public transport
 - Buses
 - Trains
- Volunteer Car Schemes
- PTS (Non Emergency Hospital Transport)
- Taxis
- The County Council also offer a concessionary travel scheme for older people, and some people with a disability.

Understanding and Engaging with Communities: consultation

Bassetlaw partners worked together to pilot a new approach to understanding and engaging transport needs and opportunities in local communities.

- Scope existing transport availability and opportunity;
- Use these insights to engage;
- Take the learning from the engagement to inform;
- Make further plans based on the learning.



The consultations

- Two communities were identified – one relatively connected, one relatively remote;
- Visits took place during December 2018;
- The findings were used to identify immediate priorities for action, driven and monitored by the Transport work stream;
- The process was deemed to be highly successful in identifying issues specific to communities... and not just transport!
- Further consultation work is planned.

What we found out

- Perception there is a lack of public transport
- Lack of buses after 6pm and weekends
- Challenge of accessing areas outside Bassetlaw
- There is an existing significant transport offer
- Each community is different
- Residents are open to new ways of working – Ask my GP, online grocery
- Lack of knowledge about use of transport systems (linked to the first point)
- Important to distinguish between the concept of remote and isolated

Achievements so far

- Completed two interactive engagements with communities;
- Following findings, Notts County Council already working to tweak bus routes to improve access (for example, to Bassetlaw Hospital and other health providers);
- Better Care Fund bid submitted for the creation of interactive information boards at key hospital sites plus health 'van' for Retford and Villages Primary Care Network;



Achievements so far (cont.)

- Building joint business cases for making best use of shared resources, such as non emergency passenger transport, including third sector services;
- Independent Travel Training being rolled out;
- Raised awareness about volunteer car schemes (MIDAS training).

