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Coherent 'Action Plans': inspiration

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Structured approach to arrive at action plans

Successive Steps / Cascade Approach











source: https://www.sutp.org/en/resources.html (numbers 1 - 8 added)



10 guiding principles for sustainable transport 'our cities ourselves'* **spatial** transport

1	Walk the walk:	pedestrian facilities
2	Powered by people:	bicycle facilities
3	Get on the bus:	high quality public transport
4	Cruise control:	car if necessary, but less space, parking restrictions
5	Deliver the goods:	clean, small, quiet, safe vehicles
6	Mix it up:	no separation of functions
7	Fit it in:	not expanding but spatial concentration
8	Connect the blocks:	in favour of walking and biking
9	Get real:	keep unique places
10	Make it last:	sustainable materials and maintenance

Source: W. Hook (2011) 'Our cities ourselves – the future of transportation in urban life', Institute for Transportation & Development Policy, Gehl Architects, Nelson|Nygaard, SHAKTI, Climate Works Foundation
https://www.itdp.org/2011/08/29/our-cities-ourselves-principles-for-transport-in-urban-life/
Note: some variants of this scheme exist



- 1. Walk the walk
- All trips begin and end with walking.
- Streets that are designed to prioritize pedestrians can also improve health, economic activity and safety



Source stepwise approach: W. Hook (2011)



- 2. Powered by people
- The more cycle use on the streets, the safer they become.
 When a good bicycle network is established, people continue to bicycle regardless of age, wealth or weather.



Source stepwise approach: W. Hook (2011)



- 3. Get on the bus (or tram, metro, ...)
- Comfortable safe, high-speed public transit provides the next best option to walking or cycling

An example is the BRT (Bus Rapid Transit): Stops are aligned with the vehicle

Boarding and Alighting at any door

Source stepwise approach: W. Hook (2011)



Payment on the stop

Separate lane



4. Cruise control

 Managing traffic includes getting smart (using technology), helping cars slow down, paying for the privilege, and re-routing traffic.



Vehicle type	2003 vs 2002	2005 vs 2004	2006 vs 2002
All vehicles	-14%	-2%	-16%
Four or more wheels	-18%	-3%	-21%
Potentially chargeable	-27%	-3%	30%
- cars and minicabs	-33%	-3%	-36%
- vans	-11%	-3%	-13%
- lorries and other	-11%	-4%	-13%
Non-chargeable	+18%	-4%	+16%
- licensed taxis	+17%	0%	+13%
- buses and coaches	+23%	-4%	+25%
- powered two-wheelers	+12%	-9%	0%
- pedal cycles	+19%	+7%	+49%

London congestion charging effects



2-to-1 public opposition to congestion charges turned to 2-to-1 support after voters saw how a 20% drop in traffic led to a 30-50% reduction in traffic delays. Stockholm, Sweden.

Stockholm congestion charging



- 5. Deliver the goods
- Sustainable cities will be cleaner, quieter, and safer by creating exozones, slow speed zones, and regulating the times and places where goods can be delivered



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- 6. Mix it up
- Energize public space with mixed-use development and ground floor activities.
 Mixed use means you are closer to everything and places are safer and livelier during all hours.



San Francisco



Madrid



7. Fit it in

• Density around transit stations and within the city rather than at the outskirts.





Source stepwise approach: W. Hook (2011)

8. Connect the blocks

 Maximize the connectivity of <u>walking (and biking!) trips</u> with small block sizes and permeable blocks and buildings and shortcuts.

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- 9. Get real
- Distinguish by preserving and enhancing the natural, cultural, social, and historic assets of the place.
 Identity and cultural heritage becomes a competitive advantage.





10. Make it last

- Build for the long term.
- Sustainable cities bridge generations.
 They are memorable, malleable, built from quality materials and well maintained.







Successive Steps approach

To take home / conclusions:

- Similar step-by-step approaches (with slightly different details)
- Both spatial and transport aspects
- Integrated approach is necessary because different steps influence each-other
- Different types of policy actions needed to achieve the results



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Implementation in policy plans:

- handles: push pull (– press)
- integrated approach





Pull measures – the 'carrot':

- Enlarge behaviour options
- Does not make car use* less attractive in an absolute sense



Push measures – the 'stick':

- Restrictive
- Makes car use* less attractive in an absolute sense



(Press measures – the 'string'):

- (En)forcing
- No legal way around

* As an example, applies to all 'undesired' transport options

Source (adapted): Steg, Linda. (2007). Sustainable Transportation. IATSS Research. 31. p58-66.

Inviting, Persuasive,

Compulsory



Examples of 'pull' policies

Improve alternatives: (attracting, rewarding)

- More, better, more attractive and convenient walking & cycling routes, tracks
- Car pool lanes
- Better quality public and intermodal transport: (vehicles, services, interchanges/P+R) cheap, clean, comfortable, convenient (also regarding information), fast, frequent, reliable, safe, weatherproof
- Positive communication (for instance, referring to health, environmental quality)

Derived from: Stradling, Stephen & Meadows, M. & Beatty, S. (2000). Helping drivers out of their cars Integrating transport policy and social psychology for sustainable change. Transport Policy. 7. 207-215



Examples of 'push' policies

Increase costs:

- Raise fuel prices (via taxes) •
- Raise parking fees •
- Introduce tolls by place and/or time •

Make less attractive:

- Lower speed limits •
- Reduce (public) parking spaces •
- Restrictions in new road building •
- 'Propaganda' •





Examples of 'press' policies

Remove availability:

- Prohibit car* access in place and/or time (car bans in city centre, specific roads)
- Eliminate parking places





• Pros and cons of push and pull measures

Push (and Press)	Pull
May elicit reactance	Does not elicit (direct)** reactance
Associated with negative affect and attitudes	Associated with positive affect and attitudes
More effective in activating car* use reduction goals	Less effective in activating car* use reduction goals
Lack of public support	Public support high**

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** Although some people might consider investments 'waste of tax-payers money'

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Potential

- (Some of the) revenues of 'push' measures can be used for implementing 'pull' measures
- A 'push' resulting in a modal shift can help to make alternative modes specially PT more efficient

Challenge to use push / pull / press measures in a welltuned combination, a re-inforcing loop

for instance: entrance limitations, parking fees in combination with improved *PT*, intermodal transport etc.



Pitfalls

- Undesired modal shift: Bike/Walking \rightarrow Public Transport
- Modal shift to waling, biking, public transport can also result in *better* quality of car system (less road traffic ... less congestion)
- Overall reduction in accessibility (in terms of quality or price)
- Undesired 'distribution effects'

different groups of people (age, income, ethnicity, abilities...) could be affected differently

Integrated Approach



Need for an *integrated* approach:

- to re-inforce individual measures
- to spend funds effective and efficiently
- to prevent undesired effects











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Pull, Push, Press: handles for policy action

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