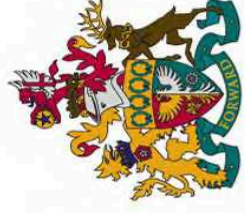


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- increased funding for London Transport's Dial-a-Ride scheme;
- public seating along routes leading to facilities to which access is sought;
- more public lavatories; and
- attention to be given to the surface quality of footways, including the materials used, the removal of obstructions and the provision of dropped kerbs.

These measures would increase the spontaneity, comfort and convenience of movement for people with disabilities and increase their choice of places to go to.

14.30 Improved access for people with disabilities to public transport, shops and other services can often be of benefit to other groups in the community who are handicapped in less specific ways. It would help those who for physical, financial or emotional reasons are limited in their ability to reach destinations in a reasonable time, in reasonable comfort, without fear of using footways or public transport after dark or when there are few other travellers about, and without having to endure bad weather and long bus waiting and journey times. The Council supports a range of measures to improve mobility, from London Transport's Dial-a-Ride to the provision of parking bays for disabled drivers, including attempts to prevent drivers from parking on footways and road verges where they obstruct blind and partially sighted pedestrians. In negotiations with developers the Local Planning Authority seeks to ensure new developments contribute to improved mobility and accessibility to work and services, whilst the Council has always urged public transport bus and rail operators to ensure their facilities are accessible to as wide a range of people and abilities as possible. Liaison takes place on a regular basis to discuss these issues.

AM13 THE LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY WILL SEEK TO ENSURE THAT PROPOSALS FOR DEVELOPMENT INCREASE EASE AND SPONTANEITY OF MOVEMENT FOR ELDERLY PEOPLE, THE FRAIL AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES BY INCLUDING WHERE APPROPRIATE:

- (i) **IMPROVED DIAL-A-RIDE AND MOBILITY BUS SERVICES TOGETHER WITH SUITABLE MEANS FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES AND PEOPLE DEPENDENT ON WHEELCHAIRS FOR MOBILITY TO USE PUBLIC TRANSPORT;**
- (ii) **SHOPMOBILITY SCHEMES;**