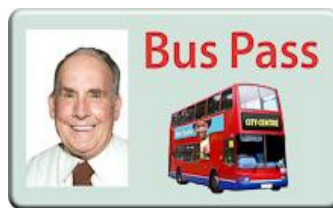


Fact Sheet 5: Types of Transport

This sheet provides information on the types of transport options available

There are a number of different ways people can travel. Part of the assessment will be to establish an individual's needs when travelling and to identify the best way to meet these needs.

Independent Travel



Bus: For people who can use public transport independently or with some support, travelling by bus may be an option. There is a national bus pass scheme funded by the Council which gives free travel on buses throughout England to people who are eligible.

Passes are available to senior citizens and to people with certain disabilities.

For more information about travelling by bus in Stoke-on-Trent please see the links below:

www.stoke.gov.uk/publictransport

www.stoke.gov.uk/concessionaryfares

www.stoke.gov.uk/disabledbuspass

Walking/ Powered Scooter: For people who can travel independently or with an adapted wheelchair or scooter it may be suitable to walk or ride to their services if the services are close to where they live.



Private Car/ Private Taxis: Some people may have access to a private car which they can either drive themselves or someone can drive for them. It may be that this could be used to access services.

Where a carer or relative has offered to provide transport for someone their needs should also be taken into account.

Some people have mobility vehicles or mobility related benefits that could be used to meet transport needs.

Assisted Transport



Voluntary Transport: Voluntary transport is coordinated by Stoke-on-Trent City Council's Transport Team and provided by people who volunteer their time.

Adult Social Care pays people their driving expenses. Transport is provided in people's own cars which may be shared with a few other people. Drivers can support people from their homes into the services where additional support is needed.

Local Authority Transport Service: Provided by the Transport Team with staff directly employed by Stoke-On-Trent City Council. Shared transport is usually provided in wheel chair accessible mini-buses.

Contracted Taxis: Transport is coordinated by Stoke-on-Trent City Council's Transport and provided by contracted taxi companies. This can be provided in various vehicles depending on the needs of the individual.

Direct Payments: Money can be paid to an individual to buy their own transport services directly. This is called a Direct Payment.

Contracted Day Opportunity Providers: Some transport services are also provided by external organisations who we pay to provide day opportunities. We pay these organisations to provide transport to and from their services.