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WALKABILITY WORKSHOP



Bassano





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Introduction

Communities ChooseWell

Communities ChooseWell is a provincial healthy eating, active living initiative managed by Alberta Recreation and Parks Association (ARPA), and funded by Alberta Health. This initiative fosters healthy communities through education, community capacity building and partnerships. ChooseWell offers funding, education, resources, challenges, networking opportunities and more to enable and enhance a community's ability to create supportive healthy environments. Since 2006, more than 300 Alberta communities, including hamlets, villages, towns, municipal districts, cities, urban neighbourhoods, schools, organizations, and First Nations and Métis communities, have participated in Communities ChooseWell.

Winter Walk Challenge

In 2014, Communities ChooseWell hosted a Winter Walking Challenge in partnership with UWALK during the month of February. The challenge was meant to align with Winter Walk Day on February 5th and to encourage Albertans to both walk and move more during the month of February, and also to consider how their communities can support walking and physical activity. To extend the impact of the challenge, Communities ChooseWell partnered with Alberta Health Services (AHS) to offer a walkability workshop to two communities that participated in the challenge – one community with the highest average number of steps per participant and one randomly selected community. Bassano had 8 participants take part in the winter walking challenge. With an average of 288, 562 steps per participant for the challenge, Bassano had the highest average number of steps per participant.

Walkability Workshop

The Walkability Workshop is a strategy from Alberta Health Service (AHS)'s WalkABLE Alberta initiative, which aims to improve walkability, create supportive walkable communities, and encourage citizens in communities to walk more often. These Walkability Workshops use the principles of the International Charter for Walking as guides to help provide key actions to create walkable communities. This charter helps identify things already being done to support walkable communities, as well as determine current challenges and future opportunities for promoting walkability. Recognizing some of the great work already being done in communities, these workshops are a great way to spark ideas and initiatives for key actions to help advance this work, ultimately creating walkable communities across Alberta.



Background Information from Bassano

Bassano was asked to fill out a benchmark questionnaire prior to the workshop. This questionnaire was completed by Bassano's Chief Administrative Officer and FCSS Director/Community Worker. See Appendix D for the Benchmark Questionnaire Template.



Bassano has been actively promoting walking in the community. For the past three years they have been running their successful THRIVE workout facility that is available to all community members. This facility presents community members with the option of walking indoors when the weather is not cooperating and provides a safe place to exercise. Bassano encourages health within the community by regularly distributing information about healthy living through communications such as newsletters. The Annual Terry Fox Run, which the Bassano School organizes, helps to encourage active living in Bassano's citizens. This event brings the community together through walking/running and encourages residents to be active. Bassano would like to develop more walking paths in town and is currently in the early stages of planning for this.

Three priorities identified in the Benchmark Questionnaire for encouraging more people to walk in Bassano were:

1. Community Engagement – Developing a sense of community and a culture around walking. Those who are engaged in the community are more likely to know what is going on and to be involved.
2. Healthy Living – Having healthy, happy individuals in the community creates a livable environment. It is important to promote healthy living as much as possible.
3. Adding and promoting walking paths and promoting the use of the workout facility. This will help increase accessibility and the desire to be active.

Three main barriers to encouraging people to walk in Bassano were determined as:

1. There is no trail system currently in place. A designated walking path would be very beneficial.
2. Time commitment and value of healthy living. These are things on a personal level that will encourage residents to walk.
3. Only some sidewalks have a slope to be accessible for wheelchairs, strollers, little kids, elderly, bikes, etc...If more sidewalks had slopes they would be more accessible for everyone.

The Bassano Walkability Workshop

The Bassano Walkability Workshop was hosted in the Bassano Community Hall. The workshop was a 2-day event, held June 17 - 18, 2014. The attendees at the Walkability Workshop were:

- Jolene Fraser - Bassano FCSS, Director Community Worker
- Elva Langland- Community Member
- Kathy Bulger - Newell ABLE, Literacy Coordinator
- Lin Hermanson - Bassano Community Member
- Bev Smillie - Bassano Community Member
- Alice Slomp - Playfair Lodge, Activity Coordinator
- Sonya Sonnenberg - FCSS, Board Member
- Kim Fraser - RCMP, Support Staff
- Jackie Peterson - Town of Bassano, Councillor, Newell Further Ed, Coordinator
- Sabine Nasse - Town of Bassano, CAO
- Lynn MacWilliam - Town of Bassano, Councillor
- Sandra Mitchell - FCSS, Board Member

AHS Health Promotion Facilitator, Graham Matsalla, opened Day 1 of the workshop by explaining why improving walkability is important to health. He then described what walkability means through the International Charter for Walking, drawing on international, national and provincial examples. After this, Councillor Jackie Peterson (with the Town of Bassano) signed the International Charter for Walking.

From here, an interactive workshop took place in which all attendees participated. Participants were split up into smaller groups to generate ideas focusing on six of the eight principles of the International Charter for Walking (to view the International Charter for Walking, see Appendix B). For each principle, participants were asked to identify what the community has now, what could be done better and discuss new ideas to improve walkability. The groups reviewed one another's ideas, adding new ones and ranking the existing ones according to their priority. See Appendix A for more information about the interactive workshop and for the breakdown of the 8 International Charter for Walking Principles.

On Day 2 of the workshop, the group opened the morning with a walk around the community (to view the walkabout route see Appendix C). The group pointed out various aspects of their community that represented positive and negative examples of the international charter for walking principles. After the Walkabout, to pull all final thoughts together, the attendees reviewed the raised items and moved forward with goal setting. Groups discussed six common themes that arose from the previous discussion of the principles from the International Charter for Walking, as determined to be the most relevant to Bassano. They then identified who, when, and how the themes could possibly be addressed in the community.

The three top choices of actions determined by the workshop attendees follows, broken down in short, medium and long term actions:

Top Choices of Action: Short, Medium, Long Term

1. Down Town Revitalization and Aesthetics

Goals:

- To Sell Bassano (use green spaces, plants, murals and artwork)
- Link the economic benefits of walking
- Create a community of choice
- Create a link between values & expectations
- Shared community responsibility for town destinations
- Create long term planning guides
- Engagement with business to clean up and come up with creative cover-ups
- *Short term*
 - * Work with Communities in Bloom - adopt planters, once a week highlight a place in Bassano to celebrate
 - * Celebrating successes of individuals and groups (e.g. how much walking was done, actions to increase walking, etc...)
 - » Put article/picture in paper, website or newsletter to celebrate successes. Include information about downtown building improvements.
 - » Get chamber support (and other stakeholders) for initiative
 - » Community events such as:
 - Parade of Garage Sales
 - Host Walking Events: Skate-a-thon at Outdoor Rink and encourage people to walk to events
 - Murals – Paint by numbers, for community involvement (e.g. Big Dam)
- *Medium Term*
 - * Pilot Projects (e.g. Widening Sidewalks)
 - * Create a Walking Map, Include:
 - » Public washrooms
 - » Book houses
 - » Park benches and other places to visit
 - Create bigger maps that have more information (i.e. location, type, content) at important areas (i.e. Esso, visitors booth)
- *Long Term*
 - * Using Walkability as a link
 - * Work with communities and county
 - * Continuity/collaboration
 - * Community Street Events
 - * Green area by hall/town office
 - * Farmers market
 - * Assess potential: get opinions of people involved, plan for event (day, time, etc.)



2. Planning and Collaboration

Goals:

- Collaboration & engagement between community members and organization with town council
- Comprehensive planning
- Investment/commitment
- Committee formation
- *Short term*
 - * Interagency meetings to create a communication plan (include chamber, AHS, Vision committee, FCSS, Town, Further Ed, ABLE, Walkers, Historical Society, School, Kinsmen, Elks, Royal Purple, Masons)
 - * Create Walking Challenges
 - » Pedometers
 - » Geocaching
 - » Scavenger hunts
- *Medium Term*
 - * Communication plan
 - » Address the structure, collection of information, and approaches to sustaining the plan
 - » Use the communication plan to implement action (coordination and communication with council)
 - * Creation of Action Plan
 - » Strategic planning and collaboration
 - » Coordination of existing plans
 - » Interagency collaboration
 - » Town council involvement



3. Sidewalks, linked walkways, safety & accessibility

Goals:

- Create safer environment for walking (i.e. sidewalks, slow traffic down, safe cross-walks)
- Inclusivity
- Add a walking path around town
- Better connect the tourist areas in Bassano through sidewalk improvements (i.e. width, repairs, etc...) and downtown programs & initiatives
- *Short term*
 - * Painting lines on existing road ways (i.e. 5th Ave-7th Ave in front of the hospital)
 - * Mapping the “walkway”
 - * Form a group or build on a existing group by the end of 2014 to create a vision (engage

- groups to create direction and turn ideas into action)
- * Trimming trees and hedges (park)
 - » Move bench across the street (Town workers)
- *Medium Term*
 - * Meet with town council to discuss items needed
 - » Crosswalks
 - » Walking group
 - » Signage to services to link people to destination
 - * Fundraising
 - » Get info from town staff (i.e. where to go, who to talk to and what to do)
 - * Sidewalk-maintenance and assessment
- *Long Term*
 - * The path
 - » Paved
 - » Create rest stations
 - » Create more shaded areas
 - » Add washrooms and garbage receptacles
 - » Ensure that various entries connect to other places
 - * Promote the path and walking by involving people of all ages
 - * Get cooperation and contributions from various groups (i.e. schools, tourism group)

Next Steps

Overall, workshop attendees were enthusiastic and passionate about the state of walkability within their community. The workshop effectively increased awareness of opportunities and tools for enhancing walkability in Bassano with attendees leaving eager to begin work on some of the identified future actions. Communities ChooseWell and the Town of Bassano will be in communication to determine where funding from ChooseWell will be used to support key opportunities identified in the workshop.

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Walk Score: <http://www.walkscore.com/>

Alberta Health Services: Walkable Alberta: <http://www.albertahealthservices.ca/7282.asp>

Walk 21: <http://www.walk21.com/charter/>

UWALK: <http://uwalk.ca/>

Appendix A

8 Principals of the International Charter for Walking: Flip Chart Paper Notes

1) Increased inclusive mobility

What do we have now?

- Some sloped curbs/intersections
- Crosswalks and some signage and paint
- Silhouettes

What can we do better?

- Add more sloped sidewalks/intersections (i.e. by the Playfair Lodge and downtown)
- Raise some cross walks (on 5th Ave), use more paint and signage
- Improve the hospital parking lot entrance so it is more accessible for walkers and people in wheelchairs
- Improve doors to businesses so they are automatic and easier to open
- Increase consideration of seniors on scooter and families with strollers on the streets and sidewalks

What can be added?

- Add walking lanes (i.e. downtown to Esso and the info station by the Mill)
- Add links between businesses and the town
- Take a complete Street Model Focus
- Add facilities to support customers, e.g. outdoor space development tables/chairs

2) Well designed and managed spaces and places for people

What do we have now?

- Sidewalks
- Keep the bump

What can we do better?

- Downtown needs a visual break up for the wide black road
- Wider sidewalks
- Add meridian on the Blvd. (use trees, flowers and rocks)
- Paint crosswalks
- Add more park benches
- Improve visual-cut the hedge of the cenataphe
- Improve sidewalks of main street/downtown block
- Pocket “pop-up” patio parks

What can be added?

- Add a pedestrian map
 - * Identify: washrooms, historical walks, restaurants etc...
- Add bike racks as artwork
- Move towards a complete street model
- Street Art

- Add a designated crossing area by fire hall and 5th Ave (make it more pedestrian friendly)
- An inventory of town facilities for accessibility purposes

3) Improved Integration of Networks

What do we have now?

- Crosswalks- generally well-marked

What can be added?

- Add clear intersections
- Some sidewalks need repairs
- Paint lines for bike lane
- Add a bus stop downtown and to the lodge
- Improve sidewalk and street crossing clearing during the winters
- Improve bus networks and pedestrian connections to/from the bus (shuttle bus connection, bus stop downtown, at the lodge and to Brooks)

What can we do better?

- Need pathways from highway service area to downtown, cemetery, golf course and from Crawling Valley/ Big Dam to the rail bed (for tourism)
- Add sidewalks to Railway Ave
- Set and outline priorities for identifying and repairing dangerous sidewalks (along with standards)

4) Supportive land-use and spatial planning

What do we have now?

- Old honey plant

What can we do better?

- Add artwork to the old honey plant
- Mixed land use policies (e.g. to allow apartments above downtown businesses)
- Clean the exteriors of the building seen from Railway Ave (the backs of the building)

What can be added?

- Encourage private business participation and partnerships (e.g. to clean up neglected blocks)
- Establish guidelines/by laws regarding aesthetics of land/buildings
- Add art work in windows in empty building downtown (or even curtains)
- Revitalize/refit empty lots downtown to be more attractive and inviting to use/sit in

5) Reduced Road Danger

What do we have now?

- Road traffic laws
- Shoveling by law

What can we do better?

- Increase education for pedestrians about safety (dark clothing etc...)

- Add large signage for motorists to make them aware of walkers (at the ring road)
- Enforce road traffic laws (1st street, 5th, 6th, 7th, 9th, Ave)
- Enforce shoveling law (education via flyer)
- Raise crosswalks that cross Old Trans Canada Hwy and add signage

What can be added?

- Extend sidewalks that end inappropriately (i.e. in front of senior's centre)
- Add sidewalks to the areas that are clearly pathways (e.g. a walking path around town)
- Raise awareness of bend on 5th Ave at 7th Street (blind spot); also at 5th Ave and at 4th Street

6) Less Crime and fear of Crime

What can we add?

- Add L.E.D. lighting on 9th Ave

7) More Supportive Authorities

What do we have now?

- Continuity between community members/groups and town council

What can we do better?

- Drain improvement opportunities
- Partner with tourism (Newell Reg., Travel AB, etc.)
- Track progress, highlight and celebrate achievements- share news/gains
- Encourage walking meetings/consultations (walk and talk)
- Engage civil authorities/administrators and hospital/health practitioners

What can be added?

- Consultation and cooperation between all groups (Bassano walkers, authorities, health professionals)
- Encourage a culture of walking (leave your car at home on wing night, walk to special events, etc...)
- Create a buddy system/walking groups to encourage non-walkers (also need to advertise, create walking events)

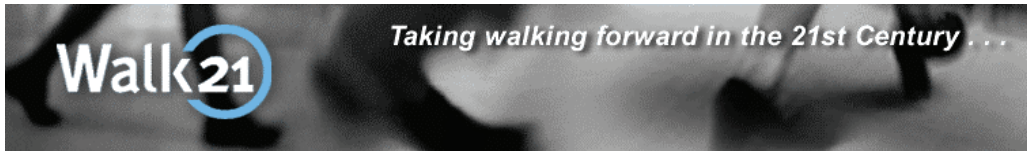
8) A Culture of Walking

What can we do better?

- Encourage walking meetings
- Opportunities to walk at community events

What can be added?

- Address senior population that is not supported by senior center



International Charter for Walking

**Creating healthy, efficient and sustainable communities
where people choose to walk**

I/We, the undersigned recognise the benefits of walking as a key indicator of healthy, efficient, socially inclusive and sustainable communities and acknowledge the universal rights of people to be able to walk safely and to enjoy high quality public spaces anywhere and at anytime. We are committed to reducing the physical, social and institutional barriers that limit walking activity. We will work with others to help create a culture where people choose to walk through our commitment to this charter and its strategic principles:

1. ***Increased inclusive mobility***
2. ***Well designed and managed spaces and places for people***
3. ***Improved integration of networks***
4. ***Supportive land-use and spatial planning***
5. ***Reduced road danger***
6. ***Less crime and fear of crime***
7. ***More supportive authorities***
8. ***A culture of walking***

Signed

Name

Position

Date

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Appendix C



Appendix D

WalkABLE Alberta
Benchmark Questionnaire



WalkABLE Alberta Benchmark Questionnaire

Introduction

This questionnaire is the first step toward the visit from the team of walkability analysts for the facilitated workshop.

The survey has 3 goals:

1. To review (benchmark) your community against Walk21's International Charter for Walking
2. To identify what makes it easy for people to choose walking in your community
3. To identify what makes it hard for people to choose walking in your community

The benchmark questionnaire will provide a full picture of:

- Existing policies, plans and projects to support and manage walking
- Recent achievements and initiatives for walking
- Opportunities for improving how walking is delivered and promoted
- Current barriers to be addressed.

If you have any questions please contact:

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Completing the Benchmark Questionnaire

Please answer the questions as completely and honestly as you can. Do not be shy of a negative or limited response as this is all part of the picture we are seeking to understand. We are not here to judge but to learn. We don't want you to sugar coat the real story here!

We appreciate that you may not be able to obtain all the information requested immediately and that in some instances we are seeking your opinion rather than facts.

Please record input information from as many staff members as possible onto this Benchmark Questionnaire, as this will help to fill in gaps and also provide the first step towards engaging relevant staff with this project. If you and your colleagues can't answer some of the questions, please explain why in the space available. This is potentially as interesting as your ability to answer them, as it will show us where we can help a little more.

Community Details

Municipality:

Key Contact:

Job title:

Contact telephone number:

Contact email:

Other Contributors:

Question 1

What are you most proud of having achieved for people walking in your community and why?

Answer:

Question 2

What are your three priorities for encouraging more people to walk?

1.

2.

3.

Question 3

What do you consider to be the three main barriers to encouraging more people to walk in your community?

1.

2.

3.

Please focus on environmental and social factors, for example the weather, lack of facilities or the local culture. We will address the barriers within your municipality later.

Question 4

Please rate the importance of these organizations in terms of how critical they are to getting more people walking.

Organization Importance (1- 5 with 1 being the most important)	1 - Most	2	3	4	5 - Least
Local Municipalities					
Provincial Transportation Ministry					
Federation of Canadian Municipalities					
Provincial Municipal Associations					
Local Pedestrian/Walking Advocacy Groups					
Professional Associations, for example Transportation					
Association of Canada					
Other (please specify)					

Question 5

How committed is your municipality to walking?

Municipal Commitment	Yes	No	Comments
A walking plan has been published			
An Active Transportation Plan or Sustainable Transportation Plan that includes walking has been published			
Supportive policies have been adopted			
Targets have been set up to encourage walking			
Training is available to assist staff			
Specific staff have responsibility for walking issues			
Other (please specify)			

Question 6

Who is actively involved in projects that affect walking or walking issues in your municipality and in your community?

Department Name	Type of involvement (Design, building, maintenance, promoting walking, running community walks, enforcement)	How Often
Transportation:		
Planning:		
Health:		
Education:		
Leisure:		
Police:		
Local groups representing people on foot:		
Young people:		
Older Adults:		
Ability Impaired individuals:		
Other (please specify)		

Question 7

A. Have you developed a relationship with local people in your community to understand their walking needs and worked with them to identify how these needs can be met

Yes / No

If yes, could you please provide details of what consultation you have undertaken and in what way? *(Please mark the relevant boxes)*

Consultation Method	To help with planning	To help assess demand	To help assess the walking environment	To help deliver projects	To help review projects
Telephone survey					
Provincial Transportation Ministry					
Federation of Canadian Municipalities					
Provincial Municipal Associations					
Local Pedestrian/Walking Advocacy Groups					
Professional Associations, for example Transportation					
Association of Canada					
Other (please specify)					

B. Please indicate who within your community you have consulted or worked with?

Groups Consulted	To help with planning	To help assess demand	To help assess the walking environment	To help deliver projects	To help review projects
Walking groups					
Different age groups					
People with mobility impairment					
People with visual impairment					
People with other special needs					
People travelling to work					
People travelling to school					
People travelling for social reasons					
People travelling to stores					
People travelling to local services					
Others (please specify)					

Question 8

What quantitative and/or qualitative data do you collect and collate about walking?

	Data Source (e.g. own, other government)	Method of collection (e.g. surveys, counters, audits)	Frequency of collection (e.g. once, monthly, yearly)	Not Collected
<i>Behaviour of Walkers</i>				
Walkers trip purpose				
Walking trip numbers				
Break down of walking trip				
Walking trip distance				
Walking trip time				
Time spent in public space while walking				
Walkers level of satisfaction				
Collisions involving pedestrians				
<i>Built Environment Audit</i>				
Connected networks for walking				
Convenient to walk				
Identified walking routes				
Quality of public spaces for walkers				
Walking links to public transport				
Promoted walking paths				
Others (please specify)				

Question 9

How is your municipality committed to including people with different abilities into plans, services and projects which encourage walking?

Municipal Commitment	Yes	No	Comments (please indicate extent of achievement, e.g. 50% of buses with replacement schedule to achieve 100% by 2015 or location of improvements, e.g. all in town centre, outside schools.)
Accessibility design guidelines have been published			
Public transport vehicles are accessible			
Public transport stops and interchanges are accessible			
Public buildings and spaces are accessible			
Traffic signals are audible and accessible			
Curbs at street junctions have been dropped or raised tables have been installed			
Tactile paving is installed at road crossings			
Other (please specify)			

Question 10

How is your municipality committed to providing and maintaining an integrated network of walking routes consisting of pathways, sidewalks, walkways and trails which connect neighbourhoods?

Municipal Commitment	Yes	No	Comments
Implementing policies to improve pedestrian access to public transit stops and stations			
Improving walking routes to schools and local services			
Managing a network of walking routes that connect people’s homes to local destinations (including shops, schools, green spaces and public transport interchanges)			
Identifying and building missing links in the walking network and to link with promoted trails			
Other (please specify)			

Question 11

How is your municipality committed to land use planning and spatial policies that support people walking within their communities?

Municipal Commitment	Yes	No	Comments
Policies give priority to pedestrians over other modes of transportation			
Explicit planning and design policies and guidelines support decisions for creating walkable communities			
Spaces and streets are effectively and efficiently designed for people on foot			
New housing, shops, business parks and public transport stops are located and designed so that people can reach them easily on foot			
Other (please specify)			

Question 12

How is your municipality committed to providing and maintaining high quality streets and public places to benefit people walking?

Municipal Commitment	Yes	No	Comments
Pathways/sidewalks are wide and unobstructed			
Pathways/sidewalks and public places are well lit			
Pathway/sidewalk problems are repaired promptly			
Obstructions are cleared promptly			
Frequent public seating is provided			
Sufficient public washrooms are provided			
Tactile paving is installed at road crossings			
Drinking fountains are provided			
Clear and legible signs for pedestrians are provided			
On-site information (e.g. maps are provided)			
Street trees and landscaping is provided			
There are frequent urban green spaces, plazas and parks			
There are pedestrian priority areas and pedestrian streets			
Other (please specify)			

Question 13

How is your municipality committed to reducing the danger that vehicles present to pedestrians?

Municipal Commitment	Yes	No	Comments
Safety campaigns encourage motorists to be more respectful of pedestrians			
Enforcement campaigns are aimed at driver actions affecting pedestrians			
Speed limits are reduced in school zones			
Speeds are reduced in area wide zones			
Traffic calming designs are implemented on local residential streets			
Traffic calming designs are implemented on busy, commercial/shopping streets			
There are sufficient safe crossing points with minimal waiting times and enough time to cross for the slowest pedestrians			
Other (please specify)			

Question 14

How is your municipality committed to reducing crime and the fear of crime particularly for people on streets and in public spaces?

Municipal Commitment	Yes	No	Comments
Policies and design guidelines specify the elements of a safe and secure walking environment			
Pedestrian audits are carried out by day and after dark to identify concerns for personal security			
Streets and public places are kept clean and well lit			
Other (please specify)			

Question 15

How is your municipality committed to actively encouraging people to walk and experience their community on foot as a part of their daily lives?

Municipal Commitment	Yes	No	Comments
Walking is promoted as positive and healthy			
Active and safe travel to schools is encouraged through: a) School Travel Planning b) Safer Routes to School engineering programmes			
Walking to work is encouraged			
Walking is promoted through local businesses and workplaces			
Recreational walking is provided for and promoted			
Events promoting walking and celebrating the benefits of walking are organised			
Opportunities to enjoy public places, outdoor cafes, etc are supported by the municipality.			
Other (please specify)			

Question 16

How does your municipality measure the success of walking projects?

- User Surveys
- Pedestrian Counts
- Site Observations
- Other (please specify) _____
- Our municipality doesn't measure the success of walking projects

Comments

Question 17

Does your municipality have sufficient financial resources to meet the needs of people walking in your area?

Approximate Annual Investment	Required Capital (build) Budget	Actual Annual Capital Budget	Required Revenue (maintenance) Budget	Actual Revenue Budget	Comment
Planning and design					
Building networks					
Installing facilities					
Maintaining facilities					
Keeping areas clean and well lit					
Improving accessibility for all users					
Promoting walking					
Others (please specify)					

Question 18

What support mechanisms would be useful to you?

Support Mechanism	Great Idea - Yes please	Could be useful - Tell me more	Not relevant to me - Thank you but no	Comment
Dissemination of best practice examples of projects				
Advice on what makes a good Walking Plan				
Skill training to know how to best deliver local walking projects				
Guidance on how to assess the demand for walking				
Techniques to assess the walking network and prioritise works				
Guidance on preparing an Action Plan				
Networking opportunities between municipalities				
Guidance on how to grow political commitment				
Ideas for building senior management support				
Training for community members				
Others (please specify)				

Question 19

Do the different stakeholders in your community and municipality understand and support walking?

Stakeholders	Yes and actively engaged	Yes, but not actively engaged	No and opposed to initiatives	No, but not opposed to initiatives	Neutral/never thought about it!
Local People					
Young People					
Older Adults					
Ability impaired individuals					
Professional Municipal Staff					
Transport Staff					
Planning Staff					
Health Staff					
Education Staff					
Leisure Staff					
Local Police					
Senior Managers (decision makers)					
Local Councillors					
The Mayor					
Others (please specify)					

Question 20

How likely is it that the Mayor and councillors in your municipality would be willing to deliver the aims of the International Charter for Walking?

The 8 principles of which are:

1. Increased inclusive mobility
2. Well designed and managed spaces and places for people
3. Improved integration of networks
4. Supportive land-use and spatial planning
5. Reduced road danger
6. Less crime and fear of crime
7. More supportive municipalities
8. A culture of walking

- Very likely
- Likely
- Don't know
- Unlikely
- Very unlikely

Comments