Developing Green Travel Plans – The Case of UoM

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Background

- GTP initiative launched in October 2010
- Approved by Transport Malta in March 2011
- Setting up of a GTP Committee in 2012
- Appointment of a GTP Co-ordinator in May 2012
- Committee meetings every 3-6 months
All UoM members Modal Split

Source: Green Travel Plan Documentation 2011
Students Modal Split

Student mode of transport to UoM
Total Participants: 5043

- Sum of Private Car: 49.81%
- Sum of Motorcycle: 13.84%
- Sum of Lift to Uni: 38.87%
- Sum of Public Transport: 30.74%
- Sum of Own Bicycle: 13.52%

Source: Fresher's week 2012 Student mode of transport questions. 5043 respondents
GTP Measures

- Public Transport
- Cycling
- Carpooling
- Walking
- Tele-working
Public Transport

• ARRIVA stand on Fresher’s week (Oct 2012)

• ARRIVA bus tickets for students to be purchased from Smart Card (Students maintenance grant scheme)
Public Transport

- Disseminating ARRIVA route information amongst staff and students
- Conducting frequent surveys
- Improving facilities
Cycling

• Installing and re-locating bicycle racks
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• Distributing leaflets, promotional posters and stickers to increase awareness

• Collaboration with BIKE PAL project More on ETSC website: http://www.etsc.eu/bike-pal.php
Cycling

• Increasing cycling facilities such as showers, lockers, changing facilities and bicycle maintenance workshop
• Including the purchase of a bicycle in the Smart Card scheme
• Identifying cycling champions
A cycling event of 27kms, from Ta’ Qali to Wied iz-Zurrieq, to raise some money for the charity Puttinu Cares.
Car Pooling

GTP Committee is looking at means to facilitate car-pooling amongst staff and students, through the development of a web facility.
Walking

Safer infrastructure installed at Wied Ghollieqa – a main pedestrian route from San Gwann/Kappara to UoM.
Walking

Collaboration with Transport Malta to re-design the UoM ring road and produce a traffic management scheme that will ensure safety standards for both cars and pedestrians.
Flexibility & Tele-working

In the latest Collective Agreement for Administrative Staff, the University of Malta approved the Tele-Working policy for administrative, industrial and technical staff. The policy explains the formal procedure by which employees have to apply to tele-work.

Advantages:
• Reduce the need to travel
• Reduce transport costs
• Reduce vehicular traffic especially during peak hours

The document is published online on the University of Malta Human Resources website https://www.um.edu.mt/hrmd/secure/supportstaff/CollectiveAgreement.pdf (pg 118-138).
The Website

Currently we are working on a “Custom Travel Information” web page which will provide various transport options to both students and staff on how to reach the University.
Thank you

Questions?

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