

SITE TRANSPORT TO AND FROM THE CAR PARK AND WELFARE VILLAGE

Introduction

The NAECI requires that employers and employees shall do everything necessary to achieve the most efficient use of all available working hours and, furthermore, that employers shall take all reasonable steps to provide an efficient site organisation and layout to help achieve this. As such, it is best practice to ensure that during the planning stages of a project, the welfare facilities are placed as near as practicably possible to the work face and, likewise, that car parking facilities are sited as near to the welfare facilities as possible.

There are, however, occasions where this cannot be achieved for reasons outwith the control of the project (such as travel and planning restrictions being placed on a project by a local authority, or where there are existing geographical or logistical barriers that cannot be avoided).

Where site transport between the car park and the welfare facilities is provided to address these issues the following Guidance is recommended.

Guidance

- Awareness of the transport issues should be raised early and discussed fully by the employers and trade unions with a view to implementing a suitable and common strategy transport plan prior to workforce engagement.
- On Category 1 and 2 Projects and sites this should be undertaken before or during the SPA negotiation period.
- Items to be considered as part of a site transport plan include:
 - The provision of an efficient transport service to and from site drop off points from parking locations as near to site as practicably possible
 - An understanding that lateness as a result of site transport issues will be discussed at site level
 - An understanding that employees will fully co-operate with the requirements of the site transport provision
 - A good standard of accessible parking and appropriate access / egress space at designated drop off areas
 - · The provision of shelters where reasonably required
 - A good and consistent standard of site transport
 - A sufficient number of transport vehicles available to cope with workforce numbers at any time
 - On-going monitoring and readjustment of the transport service to reflect the project/employer requirements
 - Regular communication with the NECC Accredited Senior Shop Steward (if placed) /accredited shop stewards for feedback purposes
 - The Employers and Trade Unions should work together to communicate a clear message that vandalism will not be tolerated
- On Category 1 and 2 Projects and Sites co-ordination of the transport plan should be undertaken by the Managing / Main Contractor and closely monitored by the PJC / Forum.
- This is a guide and where conflict arises the NAECI shall take precedence.

Reference: NAECI 3.1