

Riverside Day Nursery

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SCHOOL TRAVEL PLAN

2016

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1. Our Nursery

1.1 Introduction

The aim of our nursery travel plan will be to encourage and facilitate safe and sustainable travel to and from our school for our children, parents and staff.

We would like to achieve this in a variety of ways, to consider the needs of all of our families, whilst at the same time inspiring our children to take an active role in implementing new and exciting schemes.

Our children, parents and staff have completed travel questionnaires. From this we have been able to capture the issues that they face on their daily journeys to school, in order for us to review fit-for-purpose solutions to tackle travel burdens.

Nursery's relocation

One of the reasons for us updating our nursery travel plan is that the nursery will be relocating in the coming year. For us, this makes a focus on safe and sustainable travel a nursery-wide goal for the forthcoming years.

1.2 School details

Riverside Day Nursery caters for children aged 0 to 5 years old. We have 42 children in the nursery at present and this is planned to rise by another 10 in our new location. Currently we have no SEN pupils with specific transport needs attending Riverside Day Nursery.

The nursery day starts at 7.30 am when our doors and gates open to parents. Children finish at any time up until 6pm when the nursery closes.

Nursery location

For new location plans for our nursery, please refer to the 'site plan' & 'town plan' in the appendices.

Transport Links

The current Reading Buses and Reading Cycle network maps can be found in the appendices. These maps indicate which routes serve our nursery and which onward connections could be used for travel where necessary.

2. School travel survey and consultation

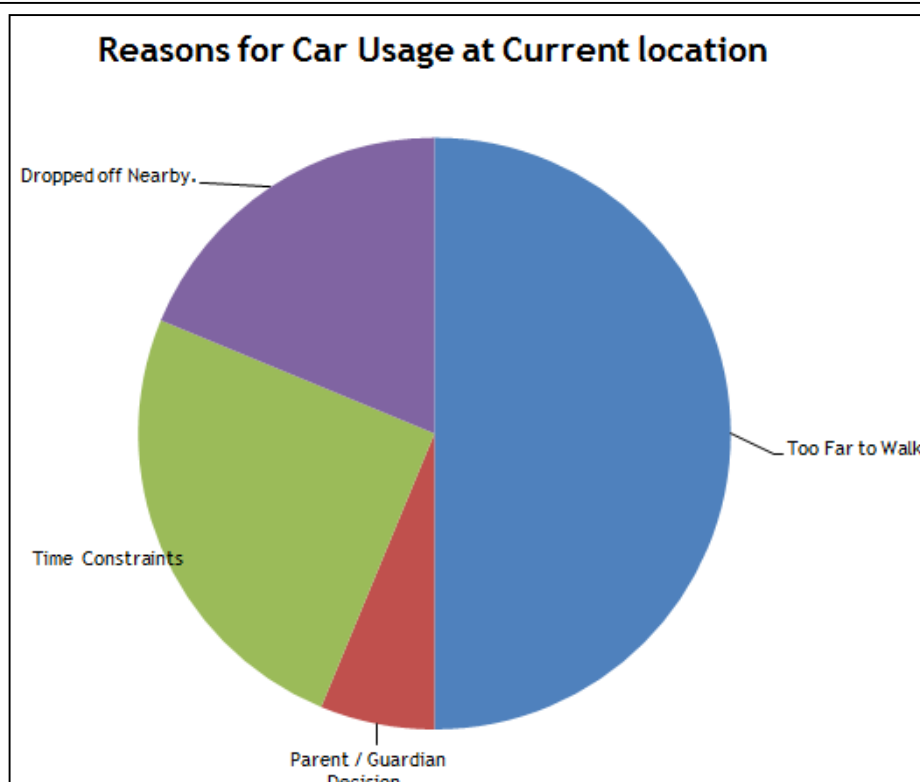
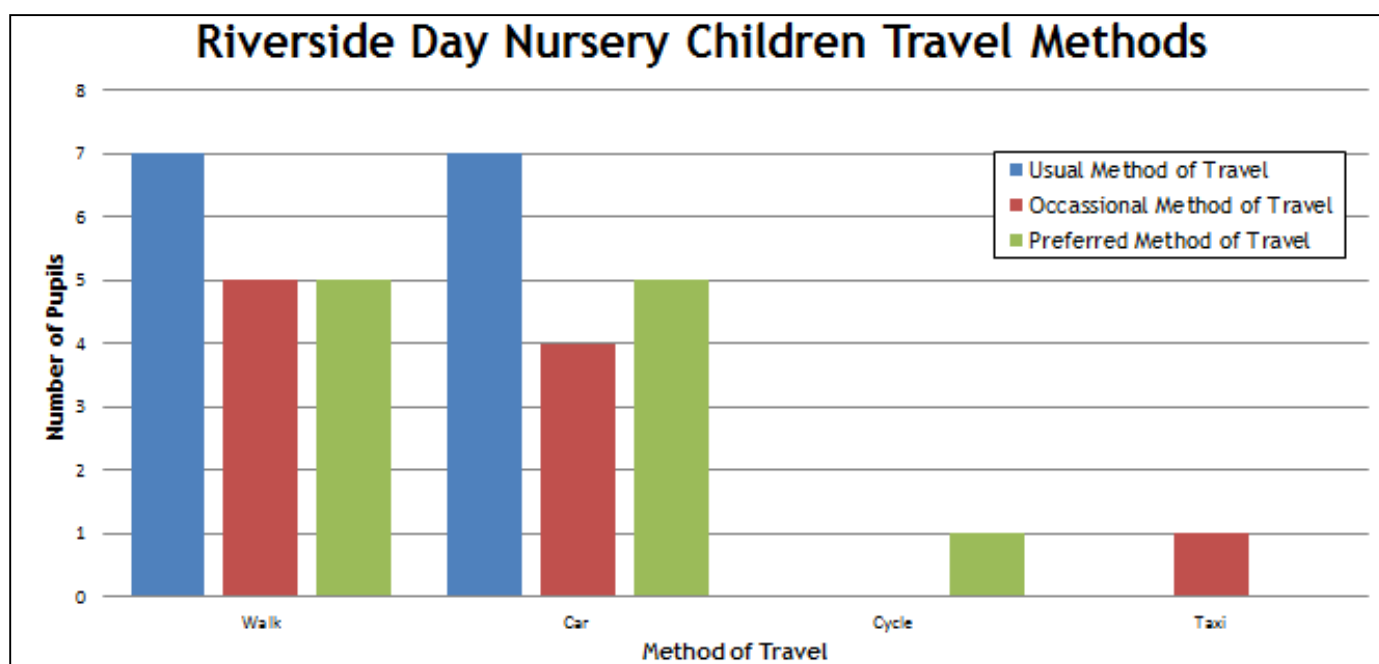
2.1 Survey details

In September 2015, parents and staff were asked to complete a written survey about how their children get to nursery. They were asked about our current location and our proposed new location. The survey was completed by 14 parents and by 19 members of staff. From this

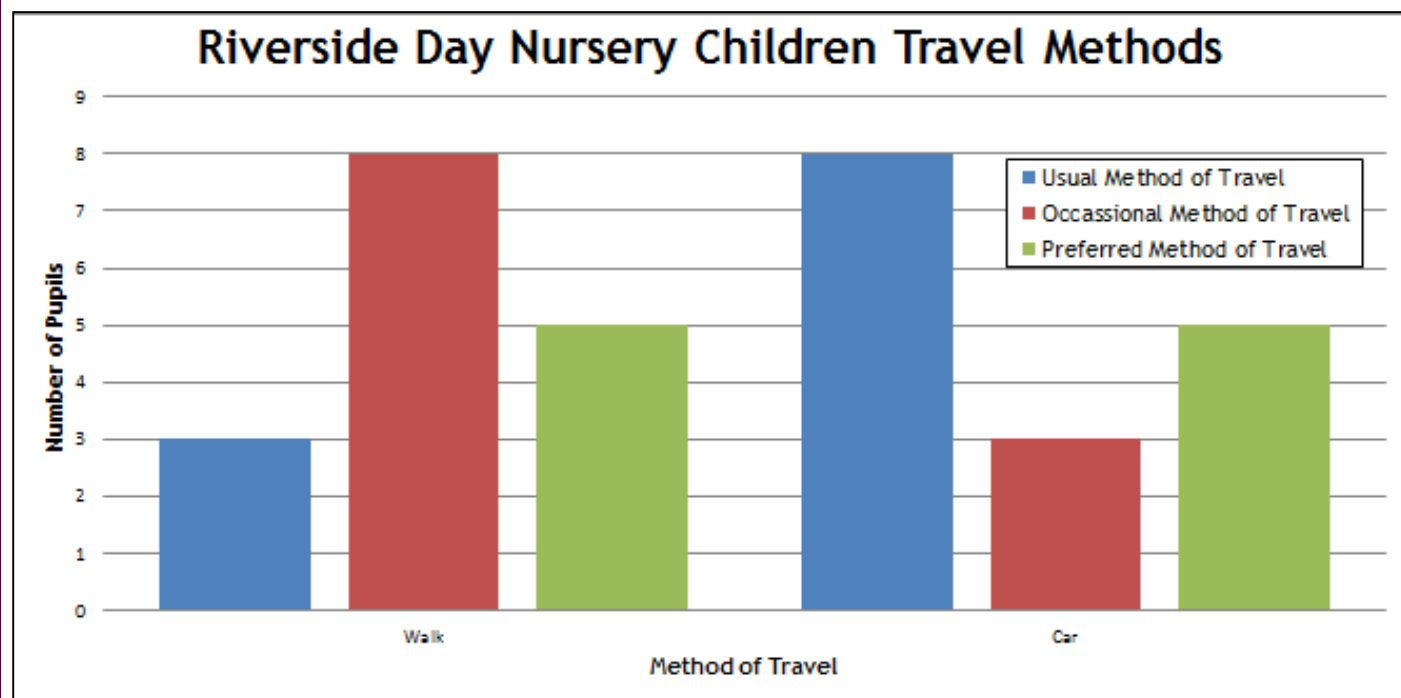
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2.2 Survey results

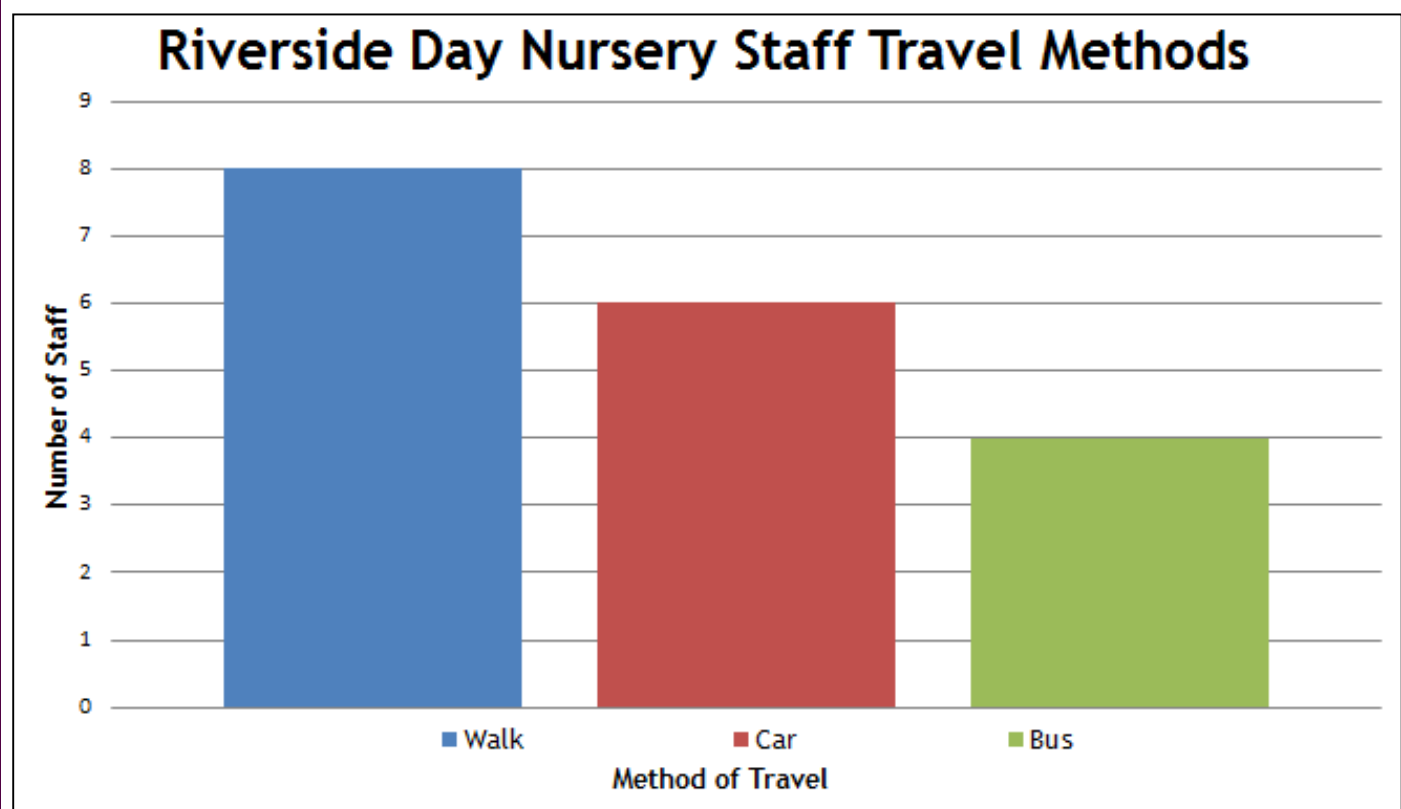
Staff and parents were asked to respond to about their travel methods to the current site of the location and also how they thought they would travel to the new site. Their response about the current site was:



Responses with regards to the new proposed site seemed to indicate that the number of parents driving may increase so this will be addressed by the travel plan.



The answers from the staff were the same with regards to the nursery being in its current or new location which is encouraging.



3. Journey to nursery consultation

As part of the travel to nursery questionnaires pupils, parents and staff were all given the opportunity to put forward their thoughts and views on their journeys to nursery. This helps to identify any key and overarching issue or problem that different groups face on their journeys to nursery. The questionnaire has also given the people who make their journeys to nursery every day the opportunity to put forward their suggestions and what they would like to be done towards solving these issues.

Parent and pupil comments;

- The roads near the nursery are very busy during school time and that scares me
- Safety measurements could be improved

Concerns with journeys to nursery

- The build-up of traffic
- The length of travel time between bus connections
- It is not a cycle friendly town

Suggestions for improvements to the journey to nursery

- Better lighting in order to feel safer
- Better security in Palmer Park

4. Problems and Opportunities

	Problems	Opportunities
Walking	Crossing main roads by the nursery	Staff taking small groups of children to teach them road safety and improve their understanding - linked to planning Personal safety talks from the police could help children act in a safe way on their journeys to nursery Small groups of children to view new building and its construction
Cycling	Dark nights	Good lighting and use of torches and personal alarms Encourage staff to use their bikes Distribute cycle maps to staff and parents
Public Transport	Many live too close to the nursery for public transport to be a viable option.	Have up to date bus timetables available at the nursery's office for those who wish to travel by bus
Car	Constant monitoring of parents to ensure they do not drive their cars into Haywood Court causing disturbance to private residents	Continue to tell parents not to drive into Haywood Court Work with RBC to deter parents driving into the Court

5. What we want to achieve

5.1 Objectives

The objectives for our nursery travel plan are to:

- Ensure that travel to Riverside Day Nursery is safe
- Maintain parents', children's and staff's health and safety in cars
- Prevent parents' cars driving into Haywood Court to drop off children

5.2 Targets

The targets that we hope to achieve through our nursery travel plan are;

1.	There is a significant increase in parents, children and staff walking and cycling to nursery
2.	Parents do not enter Haywood Court to drop off their children.
3.	Parents, children and staff cycle safely.

6. Planning for Change

Action	Person / Team Responsible	Other Parties Involved	Target / Objective	Timescale for Implementation
Letter to parents re driving into Haywood Court	Committee	Staff	No parents drive into Haywood Court	January - moving date in 2016
Work with RBC on a solution to above		RBC Highways		
Keep well informed re safe crossing	Staff and parents	Staff	Parents, Children and staff cross roads safely	When nursery opens

7. Keeping Track

7.1 Monitoring

Our nursery travel plan will be monitored on a termly basis as part of the Committee's meetings, to ensure parental involvement. The staff responsible for delivering the action plan will also monitor the travel plan on a monthly basis to keep track of any progress made towards any of the actions.

7.2 Review

Our travel plan will be reviewed on a 6 monthly basis. We will assess our progress towards the targets set out in this plan using the national school census data. We will also review our entire action plan at this stage and update and modify it as necessary in preparation for the new nursery.

In addition any review of our travel plan will consider parents, children and staff and their travel needs arising from new developments in transport provision. The Nursery Travel Plan will be revised as necessary to take account of these.

8. Nursery Travel Plan Agreement

We support the content of our school travel plan

Nursery Manager

Name: Judith Clayforth

Signature:

Date: 27/11/15

Chair of Trustees

Name: Jesal Sachania

Signature:

Date: 27/11/15

Reading Borough Council (Education Sign Off)

Name: Stephanie Clark

Position: Project Manager

Signature:



Date: 04/12/15

Reading Borough Council (Transport Sign Off)

Name:

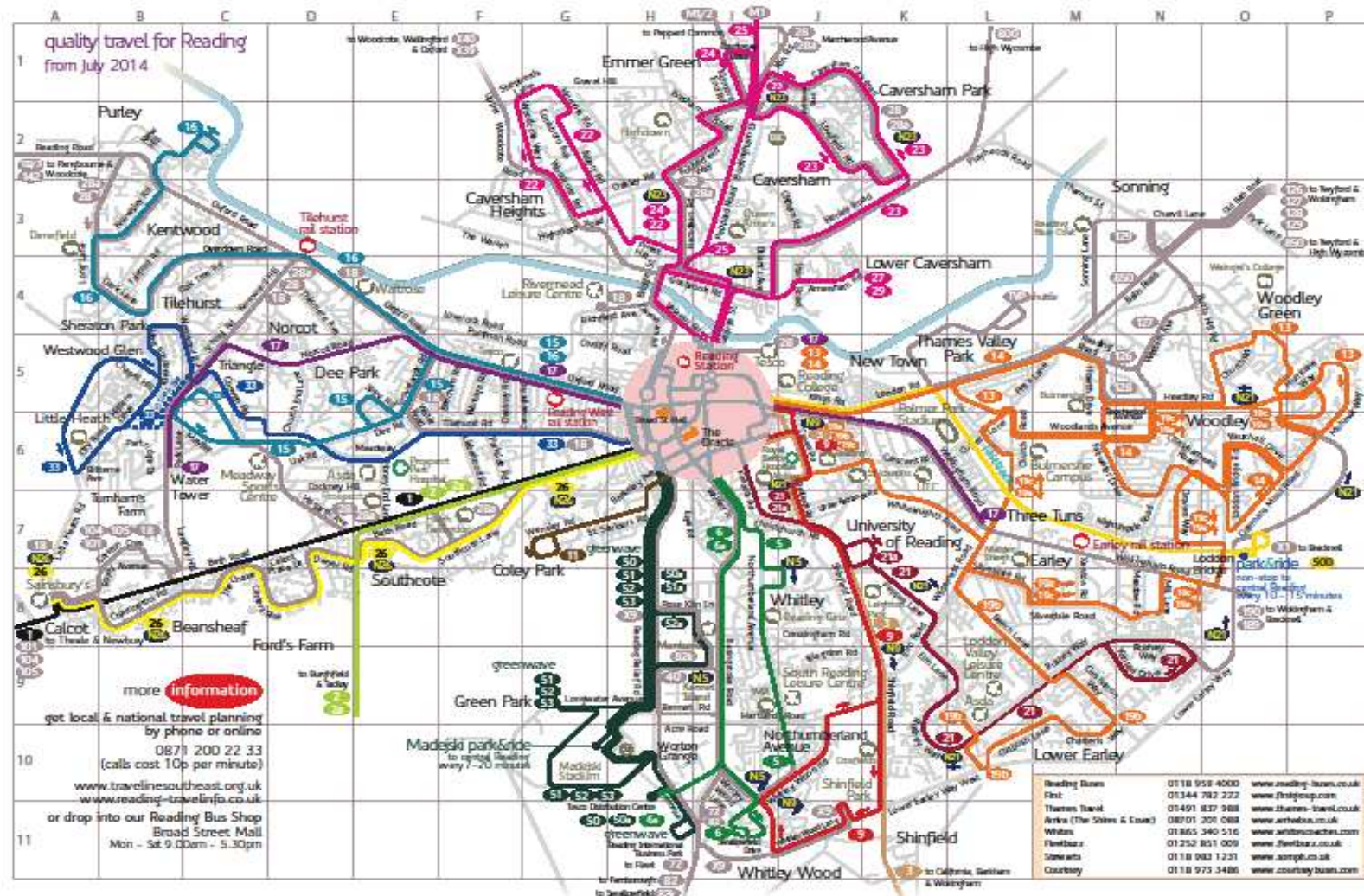
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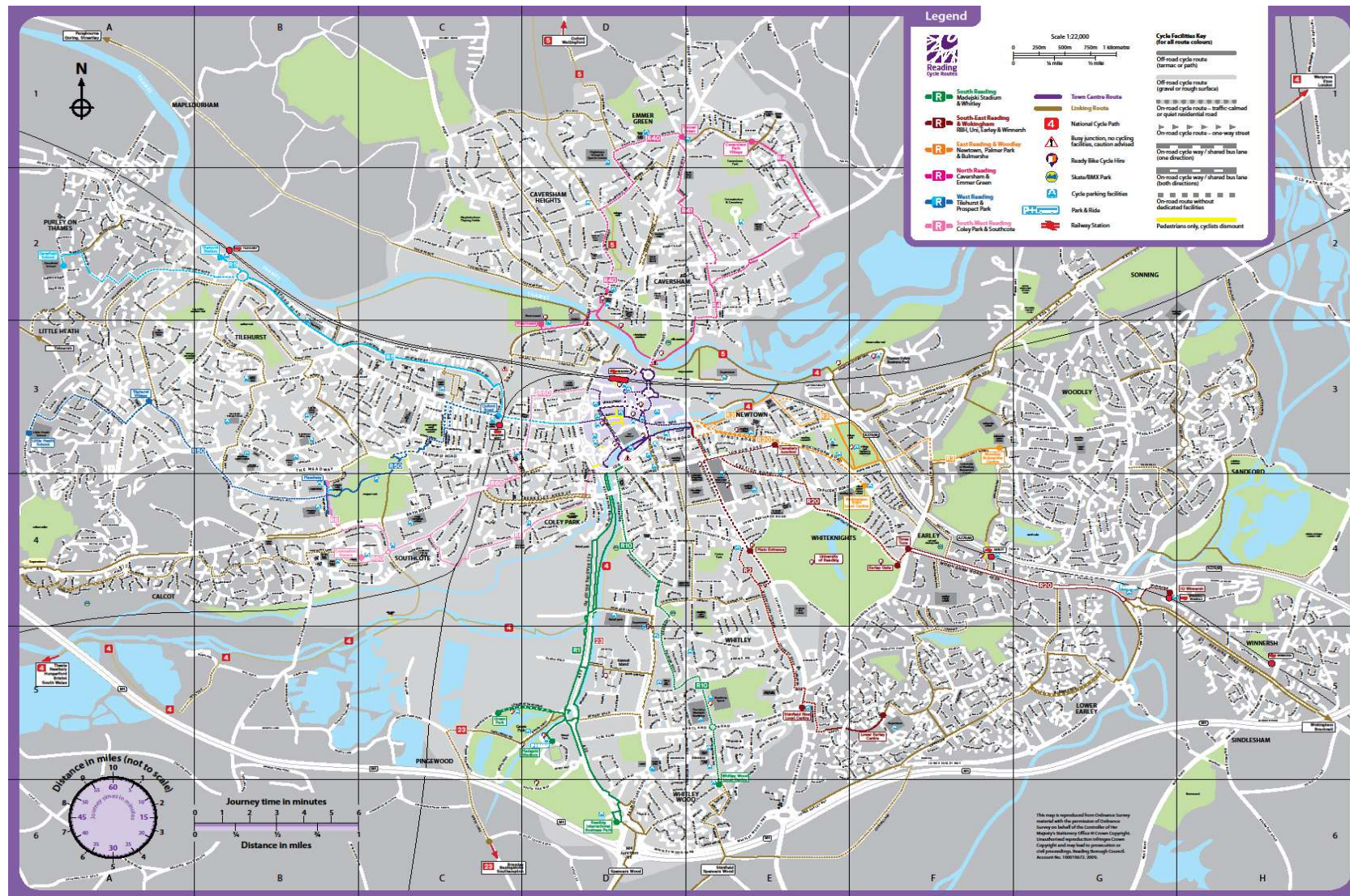
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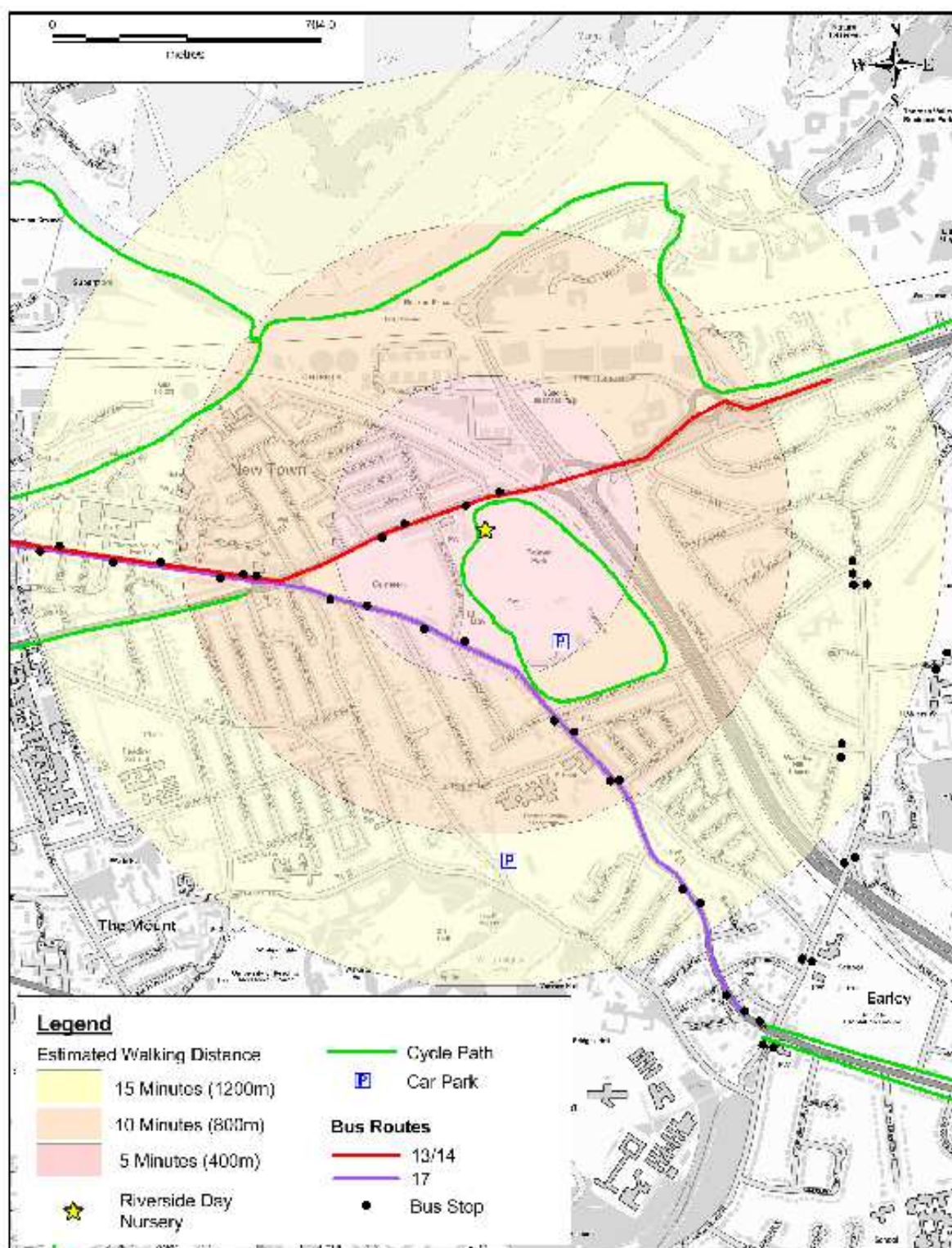
9.1 Reading Bus Network Map



9.2 Reading Cycle Routes Network Map



9.3 Children Walking Distance Map



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Transport Options

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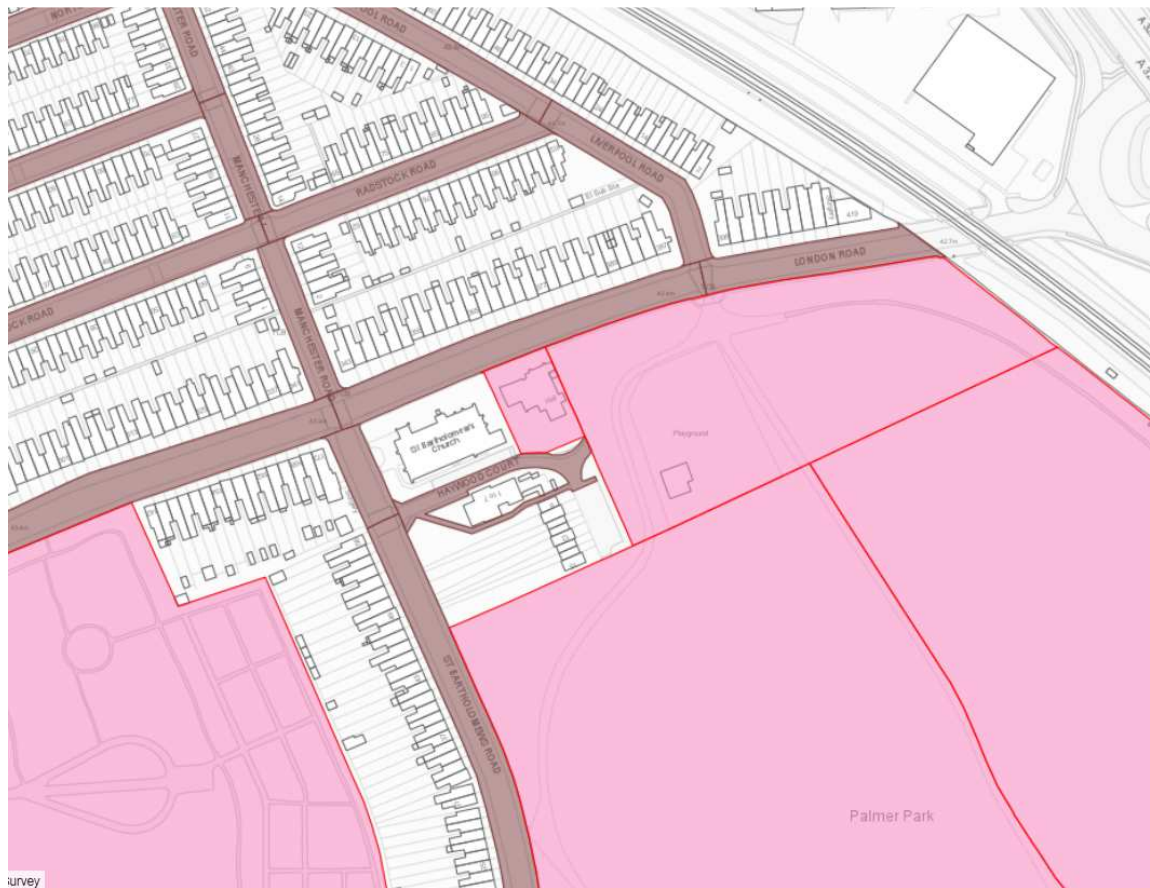
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9.4 New Nursery Location Plans

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9.4.2 Town Plan

