

- main employment centre
- main retail centre
- local retail centre
- main recreation facilities
- local community facilities
- primary school
- secondary school
- road user hierarchy categories

T2 – Access to Development

All development must be provided with a satisfactory access. In larger developments it should be served adequately by:

- i) being readily accessible by a choice of transport modes; and**
- ii) existing public transport services and infrastructure; or**
- iii) additions or extensions to such services linked directly to the development; and**
- iv) the existing highway network.**

9.19 *It is important that all development is accessible both for all modes of transport and by all users irrespective of any mobility impairment. In order to achieve greater sustainability and assist in the efficient movement of people, developments must be served adequately by public transport, cycling, walking and the existing highway network.*

9.20 *The Council will consult with the Highways Agency on all development proposals likely to have an adverse effect on the motorway and/or trunk road network. For motorways the Highways Agency will direct the Council to refuse any development proposals which propose access to a motorway or motorway slip roads unless the development relates to motorway service areas, motorway compounds or, exceptionally, other inter-modal transport infrastructure. The Highways Agency will advise, or direct the Council to refuse any development, which would lead to the motorway, or motorway junction, becoming overloaded. For All Purpose Trunk Roads (APTR) it is important that they can continue to perform their function as routes for the safe and expeditious movement of long distance through traffic. A particularly strict policy regarding the formation of new access will be applied, particularly along high quality stretches of rural trunk roads, and to trunk roads of near motorway standard inside and outside urban areas. The Highways Agency will advise, or direct the Council to refuse development if it leads to the trunk road, or access to it, becoming overloaded. If access to a motorway or trunk road proves acceptable the Highways Agency may advise, or if necessary direct, the Council to impose planning conditions for road improvements to take place before the commencement or occupancy of the development. Any road improvements made necessary as a result of development will be required to meet the Highways Agency's 15 year design horizon.*

T3 – Transport Assessments

Developers of major schemes will be required to provide transport assessments, which: