

ITEM 10(a) – FOR INFORMATION

CABINET	AGENDA ITEM No.
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REVIEW OF THE FOURTH LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN

R E C O M M E N D A T I O N S	
FROM : Head of Peterborough Highway Services Sustainable Growth and Environment Capital Scrutiny	Deadline date : 27 January 2016 (Full Council)
<p>That Cabinet:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Considers the fourth Local Transport Plan (2016-2021), including the review of the Long Term Transport Strategy (2011-2026), and makes recommendations for changes where appropriate. 2. Considers the following recommendations from the Sustainable Growth and Environment Capital Scrutiny. The Committee recommended that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Air quality is monitored in the fourth Local Transport Plan in a manner that is easy to understand and would allow Peterborough to be compared to other cities; and</i> • <i>The long term aspiration to support the addition of further stations along the Stamford and Spalding train lines be included within the Fourth Local Transport Plan and the Council will pursue these aspirations with the relevant rail authorities.</i> 3. Recommends that Full Council consider and adopt the Local Transport Plan 2016 to 2021 (LTP4) including the Long Term Transport Strategy 2011 to 2026 (LTTS). 	

1. ORIGIN OF REPORT

1.1 This report is submitted to Cabinet following the Sustainable Growth and Environment Capital Scrutiny Committee on 6 January 2016.

2. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

2.1 This report is being submitted as part of the democratic process leading to the adoption of the fourth Local Transport Plan (2016-2021), including the review of the Long Term Transport Strategy (2011-2026) at Full Council in January 2016. The Local Transport Plan is a major policy framework document under Part 3 Section 1 of the Constitution which is reserved to Council for approval on the recommendation of Cabinet.

2.2 This report is for Cabinet to consider under its Terms of Reference No. 3.2.1 To take collective responsibility for the delivery of all strategic Executive functions within the Council's Major Policy and Budget Framework and lead the Council's overall improvement programmes to deliver excellent services.

3. **TIMESCALE**

Is this a Major Policy Item/Statutory Plan?	YES	If Yes, date for relevant Cabinet Meeting	18 January 2016
Date for relevant Council meeting	27 January 2016	Date for submission to Government Dept <i>(please specify which Government Dept)</i>	N/A

4. **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

- 4.1 Improving transport for everyone who lives, works or travels in Peterborough is a priority for the Council. To enable us to provide the best possible transport service in and around the city, we produce a Local Transport Plan (LTP) every five years which sets out how we will tackle existing and future transport issues.
- 4.2 The LTP4 supports Peterborough's existing and emerging Local Plan and sets out how the city's transport system will support the future growth and development of Peterborough. The LTP4 therefore sets out what the Council aspires to achieve and the mechanisms that will be considered to help meet those objectives.
- 4.3 The Long Term Transport Strategy has been reviewed to:
- Align with the Core Strategy which covers the time period up to 2026
 - Support the city's long term growth and employment aspirations
 - Give a long term vision for transport
 - Support the long term environmental aspirations of the Council to create the UK's Environment Capital and the goals in the Environment Capital Action Plan
 - The Council is currently preparing a new Local Plan that will replace the adopted Core Strategy and other Development Plan Documents. The Preliminary Draft version of the Plan will be published for consultation in January 2016. This version contains the emerging proposals for planning policies for the growth and regeneration of Peterborough and the surrounding villages over the next 20 years. Therefore, a further review of the Long Term Transport Strategy will be required at a later date to ensure it continues to support the future vision of Peterborough.

5. **CONSULTATION**

- 5.1 The consultation process for the LTP4 started in autumn 2015. In October all stakeholders and interested parties (254 in total, including statutory consultees) were contacted and sent a leaflet outlining what the proposals were for LTP4. The following lists some of the types of stakeholder and interest groups that were consulted:

- Bus Service providers
- Community Associations
- Councillors
- Disability and Accessibility Groups
- Environment Organisations
- Local Members of Parliament
- Neighbouring Local Authorities
- NHS Trust
- Parish Councils
- Partnering Organisations
- Police and other Emergency Services
- Other local groups for cycling, walking, senior citizens, rail and traders

- 5.2 For residents, hardcopies of the leaflets were available at the Town Hall and Bayard Place.

- 5.3 To further publicise the consultation, the council website and social media (Facebook and Twitter) were utilised alongside the placement of an advertisement in the local newspaper, Peterborough Telegraph and coverage on local radio. Dates were then set for consultation 'drop in' events, which were held at the Town Hall.

Table– LTP consultation events

Date	Time
29 October 2015	09:00 to 17:00
4 November 2015	09:00 to 17:00
10 November 2015	09:00 to 17:00
16 November 2015	17:00 to 20:30
19 November 2015	17:00 to 20:30
24 November 2015	17:00 to 20:30

- 5.4 The primary aim of the public consultation events was to give the general public an opportunity to provide feedback as well as asking officers questions regarding the document or transport issues. In addition to this, everyone who attended the consultation events was encouraged to complete the questionnaire. In order to accommodate the needs of everyone there were three events held during the day as well as three in the evening.

- 5.5 The LTP4 has been considered by the Sustainable Growth and Environment Capital Scrutiny Committee during its development. The first time was on 16 July 2015 when the Committee noted the report and requested that the consultation results be brought back to the Committee when available. The second time was on 6 January 2016 when the Committee recommended that:

- Air quality is monitored in the fourth Local Transport Plan in a manner that is easy to understand and would allow Peterborough to be compared to other cities; and
- The long term aspiration to support the addition of further stations along the Stamford and Spalding train lines be included within the Fourth Local Transport Plan and the Council will pursue these aspirations with the relevant rail authorities

- 5.6 There is a consultation chapter in LTP4 and consultation feedback has impacted on the LTP4 in the following ways:

- The monitoring regime has been designed to reflect the concerns identified through the consultation.
- Confirmed the policies and strategies of the LTP remain relevant and reflect the transport issues of Peterborough.
- Capital programme of works has been structured to reflect the priority given to walking and cycling improvements in the consultation feedback.
- Major and minor schemes finalised to ensure an appropriate balance of highway schemes and sustainable transport infrastructure improvements.

6. ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES

- 6.1 For Cabinet to consider the fourth Local Transport Plan (2016-2021), including the review of the Long Term Transport Strategy (2011-2026) and make recommendations for changes where appropriate.
- 6.2 For Cabinet to consider the recommendations made by the Sustainable Growth and Environment Capital Scrutiny Committee.
- 6.3 To approve the submission of the document to Full Council for consideration and adoption on 27 January 2016.

7. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

7.1 It is a statutory requirement that all local transport authorities outside of London produce a five year Local Transport Plan under the Transport Act 2000, as amended by the Local Transport Act 2008. It is also a major policy framework document under part 3 section 1 of the Constitution and as such it is required to be submitted to Full Council for adoption. Cabinet are asked to support the submission of this document to Full Council for consideration and adoption in January 2016.

8. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

8.1 The only other option considered was that the Council would not write and publish the fourth LTP. This was rejected as the LTP is a statutory document and the Council is required to prepare and publish the plan. The LTP is also essential to securing external funding for transport.

9. IMPLICATIONS

9.1 The document sets out the transport strategy for Peterborough for the next 10 years with a detailed policy and plan for the next 5 years. Some of the key implications are summarised below:

Financial

9.2 The LTP4 contains an indicative 5 year spending profile for transport funding but this is not a commitment on the Council to invest such funds.

Legal

9.3 It is a statutory requirement that all local transport authorities outside of London produce a Local Transport Plan under the Transport Act 2000, as amended by the Local Transport Act 2008. The Council's current plan, LTP3, expires on 31 March 2016.

Corporate Priorities

9.4 The document has been written in line with strategic priorities:

- Drive growth, regeneration and economic development
- Improve educational attainment and skills
- Safeguard vulnerable children and adults
- Implement the Environment Capital agenda
- Support Peterborough's culture and leisure trust Vivacity
- Keep all our communities safe, cohesive and healthy
- Achieve the best health and wellbeing for the city

Environment Capital

9.5 The document identifies the Environmental Capital as a key aspiration and a number of policies in the document support this vision as well as the goals in the Environment Capital Action Plan.

Community Safety

9.6 Road safety and reducing the fear of crime are key goals of this document.

Discrimination and Equality

9.7 Local Transport Plans are required to have regard to the needs of disabled persons as defined by Section 1 of the Disability Discrimination Act 1995. In addition, the Equalities Act 2010 requires that Council's must have regard to the needs of those persons with protected characteristics in the formulation of policy. LTP4 has had an initial Equality Impact Assessment carried out on it and there are no specific impacts for groups with protected characteristics so a full Equality Impact Assessment is not required

The document has implications city-wide and is a Statutory and Key document for the Council

10. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985)

The fourth Local Transport Plan

Fourth Local Transport Plan - Equality Impact Assessment

11. APPENDICES

Appendix 1 - Local Transport Plan 2016 to 2021 (LTP4) and the Long Term Transport Strategy 2011 to 2026 (LTTS).

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