

DERBY JOINT LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT

Report of the Director of Development and Cultural Services

SUMMARY OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report outlines progress with the preparation of the Derby Joint Local Transport Plan Annual Progress Report which is to be submitted to government on 31 July 2002.
- 1.2 A draft action plan for the nitrogen dioxide Air Quality Management Area which was declared in August 2001 is also being prepared. This report summarises proposals for joint consultation on the draft air quality action plan and the implementation of the Local Transport Plan.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 To approve delegation of responsibility for approving the detailed content of the APR to the Director of Development and Cultural Services in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning and Prosperity.
- 2.2 To note the Government's requirements for public consultation on the implementation of the Local Transport Plan
- 2.3 To note progress on the joint working between Traffic and Transportation and Environmental Health on the development of a draft air quality action plan.
- 2.4 To approve the principle of joint consultation on the draft air quality action plan and the implementation of the LTP in Autumn 2002.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 To enable the APR to be written within the timescale set by the Department of Transport Local Government and the Regions.
- 3.2 To better engage the public and stakeholders in the LTP and air quality process by carrying out joint consultation on these two related issues.
- 3.3 To maximise the opportunities for the Council to receive feedback and involve the public in the process.

MATTER FOR CONSIDERATION

Annual Progress Report

- 4.1 On 31 July 2002, the second Annual Progress Report for the Derby Joint Local Transport Plan, LTP, will be submitted to Government. This must provide a summary of how the LTP is progressing towards meeting its overall objectives and in particular information on how strategies and schemes are being monitored.
- 4.2 In December 2000, the Government announced its settlement for LTP capital expenditure for 2001/02 and gave an indicative allocation for the remaining four years. In December 2001 a firm allocation was given for 2002/03 and an indicative allocation for the remaining three years.
- 4.3 The settlement figures announced in December 2001 for the city part of the plan area are shown in Table 1.

Table 1 2002/03 settlement and future year indications

Block Allocation (£000's)	2001/02	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	Total
Original bid	7,485	11,270	12,275	15,470	16,090	62,590
Integrated Transport	*3,085	*3,421	2,977	3,117	3,135	15,735
Roads and Bridge Maintenance	*1,423	*1,549	1,162	1,162	1,162	6,458
City Centre Major Scheme – Connecting Derby	*2,500	*3,000	6,500	5,500	4,750	22,250
Total Allocation	*7,008	*7,970	10,639	9,779	9,047	44,443

* Indicates approved allocations.

- 4.4 Following the submission of the first Annual Progress Report, APR, in August 2001, Derby City Council was successful in securing an additional £496,000 for integrated transport. This is over and above the indicative allocation of the previous year. The second APR will be assessed against the criteria set out in the Government's guidance. If any additional funds are made available for 2003/04 they will be distributed based on progress recorded in the APR.
- 4.5 In the December 2000 settlement firm allocations for road fund and bridge maintenance were given for two years. Consequently there **were** no additional funds for maintenance made available in the December 2001 settlement. The allocation for 2003/04 is an indicative allocation, therefore if any additional funds are available for the next financial year a percentage of these should be allocated to maintenance.

- 4.6 Time constraints prevent the final APR being submitted to Cabinet for consideration and approval. Members are asked to delegate responsibility for finalising the APR to the Director of Development and Cultural Services in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning and Prosperity.

Consultation Processes

- 4.7 We continue to receive positive feedback from government on the strength of our consultation arrangements, and the level of involvement of stakeholders in delivering the LTP. The 2002 APR guidance indicates that local authorities must show evidence of consultation with the public on APR delivery. It is therefore proposed to produce a summary leaflet of how we are spending the money. This will be produced in summer 2002 following submission of the APR.
- 4.8 A report is being considered by the current round of Area Panels on the overall LTP programme for 2002/03. The summary leaflet will also be made available to area panels in August and September 2002, and be made available by a more general circulation.
- 4.9 The Traffic and Transportation Section is currently working in partnership with the Environmental Health Section of Corporate Services on the development of a draft action plan for the nitrogen dioxide air quality management area, as a significant proportion of the proposals in the action plan will be transport related. Consultation on the draft action plan is planned for the autumn. It is therefore planned to carry out a joint consultation on the content of the draft air quality action plan and the delivery of the APR during Autumn 2002.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5. Proposals for public consultation will be funded within existing revenue budgets.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

6. None directly arising from this report.

PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

7. None directly arising from this report.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

8. The LTP is aimed at improving the environment by reducing the impact of traffic and improving air quality, especially in sensitive areas.

EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

9. The LTP contains objectives and strategies that are inclusive to all members of society, especially disabled people and those without access to a car.

Background Papers:

Derby Joint Local Transport Plan 2001 –2006, Annual Progress Report July 2001, Report to Executive 23 April 2002 Derby
Joint Local Transport Plan – Report of Local Transport Capital Expenditure Settlement for 2002/03 and Related Work
Programmes . The National Air Quality Strategy - the Outcome of the first Review & Assessment of Air Quality in Derby.
Report to Executive - 28 February 2001.