### Agenda Item No: 6

# CAMBRIDGESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL'S RESPONSE TO THE HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL DRAFT LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN (LTP)

To: Economy and Environment Committee

Meeting Date: 11<sup>th</sup> January 2018

From: Service Director; Strategy and Development

**Bob Menzies.** 

Electoral division(s): Duxford; Gamlingay; Melbourn and Bassingbourn.

Forward Plan ref: N/A Key decision: No

Purpose: To consider and endorse the response to Hertfordshire

**County Council's consultation on their Draft Local** 

Transport Plan (LTP4).

Recommendation: To endorse the response to the Hertfordshire Draft Local

Transport Plan as set out in Appendix 1.

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#### 1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 Hertfordshire County Council are consulting the public and other interested parties on their draft Local Transport Plan between 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017 and 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2018.
- 1.2 Officers have reviewed the Hertfordshire draft Local Transport Plan and in collaboration with internal departments at the county and local councils and with elected members, prepared a draft response to the consultation.

#### 2. MAIN ISSUES

- 2.1 The County Council's draft proposed response to the consultation is included as Appendix 1 to this report.
- 2.2 North east Hertfordshire and south west Cambridgeshire share a common boundary in the vicinity of Royston with significant travel between the two counties along the A505, A10 and A1198 corridors. The town of Royston lies in close proximity to the southern boundary of Cambridgeshire, bordering the district of South Cambridgeshire.
- 2.3 Many South Cambridgeshire villages surrounding the town use Royston as their nearest local centre using many essential services including for grocery shopping and for medical appointments. There are high numbers of cross boundary commuter and increasingly school related trips making north east Hertfordshire and south west Cambridgeshire an intensely interconnected economic area.
- 2.4 The two counties also share a common interest in the improvement of national and major interurban railway lines. The East coast mainline links London Kings Cross with the north east of England and Scotland, with calling points used by Cambridgeshire residents at Peterborough and Stevenage (in Hertfordshire). In addition, the West Anglia main line, from London Liverpool Street, and the Great Northern railway line, from London Kings Cross, travel through Hertfordshire and link into stations in Cambridgeshire, including the main rail hub of Cambridge station.
- 2.5 Transport proposals in Hertfordshire could therefore potentially have a large impact on the transport network in Cambridgeshire.
- 2.6 The County Council broadly supports the themes, objectives and principles set out in Hertfordshire's draft Local Transport Plan which aligns with the vision of the Transport Strategy for Cambridge and South Cambridge as well as the approach of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Interim Local Transport Plan (June 2017). Officers recommend continued future close working and coordination on cross boundary transport issues.
- 2.7 In summary, the Council:
  - Would welcome a greater focus on the important transport and service links between Royston and South Cambridgeshire villages in the border area.
  - Supports the continued community transport provision in Royston.
  - Recommends that Hertfordshire be mindful of the wider catchment area for primary care services delivered by the three Royston General Practitioner practices which

take a large number of patients from South Cambridgeshire and also refer patients to Addenbrooke's hospital. This in turn has transport implications for Hertfordshire residents.

- Supports Royston as a Cycle Infrastructure Improvement Town.
- Welcomes the continued partnership working on the Royston to Cambridge cycleway scheme, in particular the proposed new pedestrian/cycle bridge over the A505, and on the A10 to Melbourn shared use pedestrian/cycle link.
- Would like to see the strategic transport evidence that has been produced to demonstrate the impact of the North Hertfordshire Local Plan within Cambridgeshire.
- Would like to see options at the A505 / Station Road junction at Odsey investigated to address safety concerns.
- Draws Hertfordshire's attention to the proposed Cambridgeshire funded A505 to A11 Royston to Granta Park Strategic Transport Study and would welcome Hertfordshire's involvement in this study.

#### 3. ALIGNMENT WITH CORPORATE PRIORITIES

## 3.1 Developing the local economy for the benefit of all

The report above sets out the implications for this priority in paragraph 2.3

# 3.2 Helping people live healthy and independent lives

The report above sets out the implications for this priority in paragraph 2.6

## 3.3 Supporting and protecting vulnerable people

There are no significant implications for this priority.

#### 4. SIGNIFICANT IMPLICATIONS

#### 4.1 Resource Implications

There are no significant implications for this priority.

#### 4.2 Procurement/Contractual/Council Contract Procedure Rules Implications

There are no significant implications for this priority.

## 4.3 Statutory, Legal and Risk Implications

There are no significant implications for this priority.

## 4.4 Equality and Diversity Implications

There are no significant implications for this priority.

# 4.5 Engagement and Communications Implications

There are no significant implications for this priority.

#### 4.6 Localism and Local Member Involvement

Local members from the southern electoral divisions closest to Hertfordshire (Cambourne, Duxford, Gamlingay, Hardwick, Sawston & Shelford, St Neots East & Gransden) were consulted and their replies where supplied were incorporated into the response.

# 4.7 Public Health Implications

There are no significant implications for this priority.

Implications	Officer Clearance		
Have the resource implications been	Yes		
cleared by Finance?	Name of Financial Officer: Sarah Heywood		
Have the procurement/contractual/	Yes		
Council Contract Procedure Rules	Name of Officer: Paul White		
implications been cleared by the LGSS			
Head of Procurement?			
Has the impact on statutory, legal and	Yes		
risk implications been cleared by LGSS	Name of Legal Officer: Fiona McMillan		
Law?			
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Have the equality and diversity	Yes		
implications been cleared by your Service Contact?	Name of Officer: Tamar Oviatt-Ham		
Contact?			
Have any engagement and	Yes		
communication implications been cleared	Name of Officer: Joanna Shilton		
by Communications?	Traine of Gineon Gearina Ginner		
Have any localism and Local Member	Yes		
involvement issues been cleared by your	Name of Officer: Tamar Oviatt-Ham		
Service Contact?			
Have any Public Health implications been	Yes		
cleared by Public Health	Name of Officer: Iain Green		

Source Documents	Location
Hertfordshire's Local Transport Plan – Draft for Consultation	https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/ab out-the- council/consultations/transport-and-
November 2017	highways/proposal-to-introduce- local-transport-plan-ltp4.aspx#

Appendix 1 - Hertfordshire County Council Draft Local Transport Plan (LTP4): Consultation November 2017
Response by Cambridgeshire County Council (separate appendix)