

Cambridgeshire Transport Investment Plan

Introduction

The Transport Investment Plan (TIP) sets out the transport infrastructure, services and initiatives that are required to support the growth of Cambridgeshire. It forms part of the Infrastructure Plan for Cambridgeshire.

The TIP will set out all transport schemes that the County Council has identified for potential future delivery to support growth. These range from strategic schemes identified via the various County Council transport strategy documents including those emerging from the City Deal programme, to those that are required to facilitate the delivery of Local Plan development sites and for which Section 106 contributions will be sought through negotiations with developers following the Transport Assessment process, through to detailed local interventions. The TIP, however, excludes maintenance schemes as those are not investment for growth.

TIP Uses

- The TIP will be used to monitor how many s106 agreements have been secured towards the delivery of each specific project, to ensure the maximum permitted five agreements is not breached.
- The TIP will be used to prioritise and identify projects to be added to the Transport Delivery Plan (TDP), the County's rolling 3-year plan, as shown in the flowchart below. The TIP is published on the Council's website.
- The TIP will also be used to identify funding gaps and to inform future funding bids as opportunities arise.

The Schemes

As part of the TIP, a list of schemes has been produced for the county, and has been split into 5 key areas:

- Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire
- East Cambridgeshire
- Fenland
- Huntingdonshire
- Cross-district and county-wide

All current and future schemes in the TIP fit with existing policies and strategies and have been identified in order to mitigate the impacts of planned development in the relevant area. The schemes include those aimed at tackling strategic transport issues to support Local Plan growth and those targeted at local mitigation of smaller scale planned developments. Scheme costs are estimated at 2015 prices.

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Fit with Policies

The flowchart below sets out how the proposed TIP relates to other policy documents, programmes, information sources and scheme identification processes.



Notes:

- The TIP will need to be accompanied by a parallel prioritisation approach to assist with allocation of CCC funding.
- The TIP can also potentially feed into other planning documents and infrastructure schedules such as the wider Infrastructure Delivery Plan.

Cambridgeshire Local Transport Plan and Long Term Transport Strategy 2011-2031

The Local Transport Plan (2011-31) provides the overarching transport policy framework for Cambridgeshire, setting out the main transport challenges facing the county and the strategy for addressing them over the next 15 years. It contributes towards the achievement of our overall vision – creating communities where people want to live and work: now and in the future. Our strategy focuses on addressing existing transport problems while at the same time catering for the transport needs of new communities and enhancing the environment.

The Long Term Transport Strategy 2011-2031 (LTTS) gives a high level view of the substantial transport infrastructure and service enhancements that are needed across the county. The LTTS sets out the need for a high quality passenger transport network of rail, guided bus and bus services will enable efficient journeys between Cambridge, Peterborough, the market towns and district centres in and around Cambridgeshire. This network will prioritise passenger transport on key corridors and link up with community transport connections to access more rural areas. This will be fed by a comprehensive system of long distance cycle / pedestrian routes connecting key destinations.

Transport Strategy for Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire (TSCSC)

The TSCSC provides a detailed policy framework and programme of schemes for the area, addressing current problems and consistent with the policies of the Third Cambridgeshire Local Transport Plan 2011-26 (LTP3). It sets out the need for the transport network to support growth and provide additional capacity to allow for the additional demands of new residents and workers. The transport network must also help protect Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire's distinctive character and environment.

Market town transport strategies and district-wide transport strategies

Market Town Transport Strategies are in place for nine market towns in Cambridgeshire recognising the unique nature of each town. The strategies set out a programme of transport improvements for the towns in line with the policies of the Local Transport Plan. With significant growth planned for many of our market towns, new district-wide strategies are being developed, which will incorporate the market town transport strategies, and will be closely aligned with the Local Plans for East Cambridgeshire, Huntingdonshire and Fenland.

Securing Funding

Funding for the schemes will come from a range of sources. Where specific impacts are identified through the Transport Assessment process, S106 and Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) will continue to play a vital role in securing appropriate schemes that fully mitigate the impact of a particular development.

- The Greater Cambridge City Deal will provide some funding for schemes listed in the City Deal programme.
- Greater Cambridge Greater Peterborough Growth Deal will provide some funding for schemes through the Local Enterprise Partnership.
- Local Transport Plan Integrated Block funding will facilitate the delivery of a number of schemes within the Plan.

Cambridgeshire County Council and its partners will seek to deliver specific schemes within the Plan as the opportunity arises through competitive bidding processes for funds at a national level. Previous successful examples of this include Local Sustainable Transport Fund (LSTF), Better Bus Area Fund (BBAF), Cycle Safety Fund, Cycle City Ambition Grant.

Updating the TIP

The list will be reviewed and updated to take account of any changes in policy, legislation, funding, development proposals and scheme delivery.

TIP Updates – Ongoing

Projects identified through development Transport Assessment process will be added to the TIP. All additions to the TIP will be reviewed on a monthly basis for reporting to the TIP Officer Group.

TIP Updates – 6 Monthly

The TIP Officer Group will arrange a series of area-based workshops every 6 months with various project managers that are responsible for the delivery of schemes in the TIP. The workshops will aim to provide general updates to existing schemes in the TIP and will also provide an opportunity to add schemes that have been identified by the various project managers through local dialogue or discussion with local Members. The 6 month update cycle is timed to fit in with the annual Committee approval process for the TIP and the Transport Delivery Plan (TDP).

TIP Updates – Longer Term

Upon publication of new area transport strategies, Transport Strategy Officers will undertake major revisions of the TIP to ensure that it is consistent with the new list of infrastructure requirements.

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