The Hertfordshire Infrastructure and Planning Partnership (HIPP)

The Hertfordshire Infrastructure and Planning Partnership (HIPP) provides a forum to discuss and, where appropriate, develop a shared view and agree joint work programmes on infrastructure and planning issues of common concern. A key objective is to work co-operatively within Hertfordshire and across the county borders according to the principles of localism and the duty to co-operate.

The Partnership works together with Hertfordshire Forward, Hertfordshire Local Enterprise Partnership, the Local Transport Body for Hertfordshire, the Local Nature Partnership and other appropriate organisations in areas of shared interest to develop and where possible and necessary agree joint approaches to common issues. The Chairman, or his or her deputy, represents the Partnership as appropriate on external bodies, including the Board of the Local Transport Body for Hertfordshire.

The Partnership is not a formal decision making-body and does not fetter the decision making processes of individual authorities. If individual authorities come to a different view from any collective Hertfordshire position they will ensure that all the other authorities are duly notified.

The Membership of HIPP is the eleven Executive Members for Planning and Transportation in the county.

Meetings are held on a regular basis throughout the year. Whilst meetings of the group are not held in public, HIPP has agreed that the minutes of the meetings will be publically available on the Hertfordshire County Council web site.