

Hertfordshire Local Transport Body

Summary note for Local Transport Body Members:

Recent events and implications for the Local Transport Body

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1. Introduction

- 1.1. Following the Local Transport Body meeting on June 28th, a number of key events have taken place, including key meetings and communications received from the Government.
- 1.2 **Appendix 1** summarises the key points arising and actions required for the Hertfordshire LTB.
- 1.3 Further details of all LTB activities can be viewed at www.hertsdirect.org/LTB

Appendix 1: Key Events since the July LTB Meeting.

June / July Event	Key points arising	Issues for LTB	Actions for LTB	Deadline
<p>HM Treasury publish 'Investing in Britain's Future' (27.06.13)</p>	<p>National funding for Local Major Transport Schemes has been increased, to be included in the Single Local Growth Fund (SLGF), however details unknown.</p> <p>Strategic Economic Plans (SEP) to be produced by LEPs - Guidance on next steps to follow</p>	<p>LEP will need to produce a SEP to bid for Growth Deal, including transport elements.</p> <p>LTB to work with LEP regarding major transport scheme content of the SEP.</p>	<p>LTB Members to note key issues</p>	<p>For discussion at September LTB meeting</p>
<p>Local Transport Body Meeting (28.06.13)</p>	<p>LTB Board agreed the Priority List of schemes for Hertfordshire</p>	<p>LTB to communicate Priority List and their role via a press statement</p>	<p>LTB officers to forward Priority List of Schemes to the Department for Transport</p> <p>Accompanying press statement to be released by LTB</p>	<p>End July</p>
<p>DfT Letter to Herts LTB received:</p>	<p>Part 1 (Governance) and Part 2 (Prioritisation Process) of the LTB Assurance Framework signed off by DfT.</p> <p>Part 3 (Investment decisions) subject to further DfT review and guidance.</p>	<p>LTB now becomes a formal board.</p> <p>The LTB prioritisation process is formally approved by DfT</p> <p>HCC formally becomes the Accountable Body.</p>	<p>Confirmation of DfT approval to be included in press statement (above)</p>	<p>End July</p>
<p>Assurance Framework Sign-Off (28.06.13)</p>	<p>The DfT letter requests that 'Public Comment' is now sought on the prioritisation process and outcomes</p>	<p>LTB to seek public comment on process and outcomes.</p> <p>In addition to existing activities (e.g. meetings in public, public website etc) further activities to include press statement to invite comments to the LTB by September.</p>	<p>LTB officers to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Ensure press release invites public comment on the process (b) Ensure LTB website and email address well publicised to ensure public can comment (c) Continue to hold all meetings in public and publish all key information online 	<p>Public comments to be sought in time for input into September 30th LTB meeting</p>

<p>HCC Highways and Waste Management Panel (04.07.13)</p>	<p>The Panel endorsed the Priority List. A number of detailed comments received regarding individual schemes. See web-link to meeting minutes here</p>	<p>None for LTB Members.</p>	<p>None</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>HCC Cabinet (15.07.13)</p>	<p>Cabinet agreed the Priority List</p>	<p>Priority List has been formally agreed by Accountable Body.</p>	<p>To forward Priority List to the DfT</p>	<p>End July</p>
<p>DfT Letter received by LTB – Funding Allocation Confirmation (16.07.13)</p>	<p>£18.5m allocated to Hertfordshire for 2015-19 Confirmation received that further funding (competitive) to be made available for Major Transport Schemes through the Single Local Growth Fund (SLGF) to LEP.</p>	<p>Not enough funding allocated via LTB for A120 or A1(M). Further funding potentially available through LEP SLGF.</p>	<p>LTB to await detailed guidance from Government on the Single Local Growth Fund</p>	<p>Summer 2013</p>
	<p>DfT requested that the sum of the Priority List to match the final allocation</p>	<p>The Hertfordshire List does not conform exactly to £18.5m, nor is this feasible by end of July (or until the full extent of all SLGF funding is understood).</p>	<p>Present the Priority List to DfT as already agreed by the LTB and HCC Cabinet.</p>	<p>End July</p>
<p>LEP Growth Plan Consultation End (17.07.13)</p>	<p>The consultation period for the LEP's Growth Plan closes.</p>	<p>LTB to be a key partnership in helping to deliver the Growth Plan going forward. Consultation outcomes to be discussed at the next LTB meeting in September.</p>	<p>None</p>	<p>For discussion at September LTB meeting</p>
<p>Government publishes 'Growth Deals' guidance for LEPs (23.07.13)</p>	<p>LEPs to produce final Strategic Economic Plans by March 2014. SEPs to identify how Local Transport Body will be integrated into the 'new decision making structure'. Further guidance to be published by Government on integration of LTB activities into SEP and SLGF.</p>	<p>Potential further funding for major transport schemes possible through LEPs Local Growth Fund. Requirement for LTB to engage with Strategic Economic Plan development.</p>	<p>HCC / LEP officers to attend Government workshops in Summer 2013. To agree with DfT and LEP how the LTB will engage with the SEP and SLGF going forward.</p>	<p>For discussion at September LTB meeting</p>