

*Policy and Practice Briefing*

**“Local Transport Plans: Preparing for 2011”**

**Date:** Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> March 2010

**Time:** 10.30am – 3.15pm (including networking lunch)

**Venue:** Savoy Place, Westminster

"Good transport is a vital factor in building sustainable local communities. It contributes to the achievement of stronger and safer communities, healthier children and young people, equality and social inclusion, environmental objectives and better local economies. Where transport fails, these aspirations are put at risk".

*Guidance on Local Transport Plans, July 2009*

*The House Magazine, written for and by Parliamentarians, is to hold one of its **new Policy and Practice Briefings**. These aim to provide a forum for practitioners, local policy makers and civil servants to debate key issues with leading figures from within Westminster, Whitehall and local government. The morning will focus on the current and future policy picture and the afternoon will be an interactive forum focusing on local delivery with examination of case studies and best practice examples.*

**The Context**

*The Transport Act 2000 introduced a duty on local authorities to develop Local Transport Plans. The first of these plans ran from 2001-6 (LTP1) with the second set running from 2006-11 (LTP2). With the latest DfT guidance issued in July 2009 and *The Local Transport Act 2008* introducing a new set of structures for their development (including the abolition of the 5 year time-scale), now is the time for local authorities to consider what their LTP3 will look like post 2011.*

**The Issues**

Engaging with the panel, key issues to be addressed at this *Policy and Practice Briefing* include:

- How does the LTP3 process differ from LTP1 and 2?
- What other strategies/plans should the LTP align with?
- What is the best way to evaluate an LTP/measure its success?
- How can local authorities best consult their stakeholders when developing their plan?
- What is the Conservative's view on local transport planning?
- How will LTPs be affected by forecasted spending cuts?
- What examples of successful practice currently exist and what can we learn from them?

**Objectives and Outcomes**

Participants at this *Policy and Practice Briefing* will spend the morning discussing the third wave of Local Transport Plans and how they will affect practitioners at the front line. Through looking at case study examples, the afternoon will allow delegates the opportunity to examine examples of good practice, identifying the common themes in successful plans.

**Who Should Attend?**

All those with a working interest in this important area, including: local authority officers and members, transport planning, traffic management, public transport, the environment, engineers, bus operators, passenger transport executives, consultants, regional development agencies, central Government departments & bodies, trade associations/unions, police authorities and business.

**For further information please see the agenda below**

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**10.00** *Registration and Morning Refreshments*

**10.40** **Chair’s Introduction**

- **Professor Roger Mackett**, Centre for Transport Studies, UCL

**10.45** **Morning Session: The Policy Horizon**

**- Changes for LTP3 and New Guidance**

- **Phil Killingley**, Regional & Local Transport Strategy & Funding, *DfT*
- **David Moffat**, Principal Consultant, *Steer Davies Gleave*
- **Jon Harris**, Technical Director - Smarter Travel Choices, *Mouchel*
- **Richard Hebditch**, Campaigns Director, *CBT*
- The LTP3 process and how it differs from LTP1 and 2
- The July 2009 guidance and what it means
- Aligning LTP3 with other plans/strategies
- Evaluating an LTP and measuring its success
- Consulting with stakeholders and making sure everyone’s voice is heard

**11.45** *Open Discussion and Q&A Session*

**12.35** **The Conservative View on Local Transport Planning**

- **Stephen Hammond MP**, *Shadow Minister for Transport*

**13.00** *Networking Lunch*

**13.45** **Interactive Voting Session**

**13.50** **Afternoon Session: Policy Into Practice**

**- Developing a Success LTP**

- **Darren Richards**, Executive Head of Planning & Transportation, *London Borough of Sutton*
- **Ian Drummond**, Assistant Director, Transportation, *Leicestershire CC*
- **Trevor Mason**, Principal Engineer - Transport Policy & Monitoring, *Hertfordshire County Council*
- **John Bourn**, LTP Policy Officer, *Tyne and Wear LTP Team*
- Current good practice case studies
- Identifying the key themes from across different case studies
- Developing and implementing strategies locally across partnerships

**15.10** **Chair’s Summary**

**15.15** **Event Close**

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