

# Thurrock Transport Strategy

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# Purpose of Session



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To review the development of all aspects of the transport strategy to-date



To review the key content and messaging of the strategy



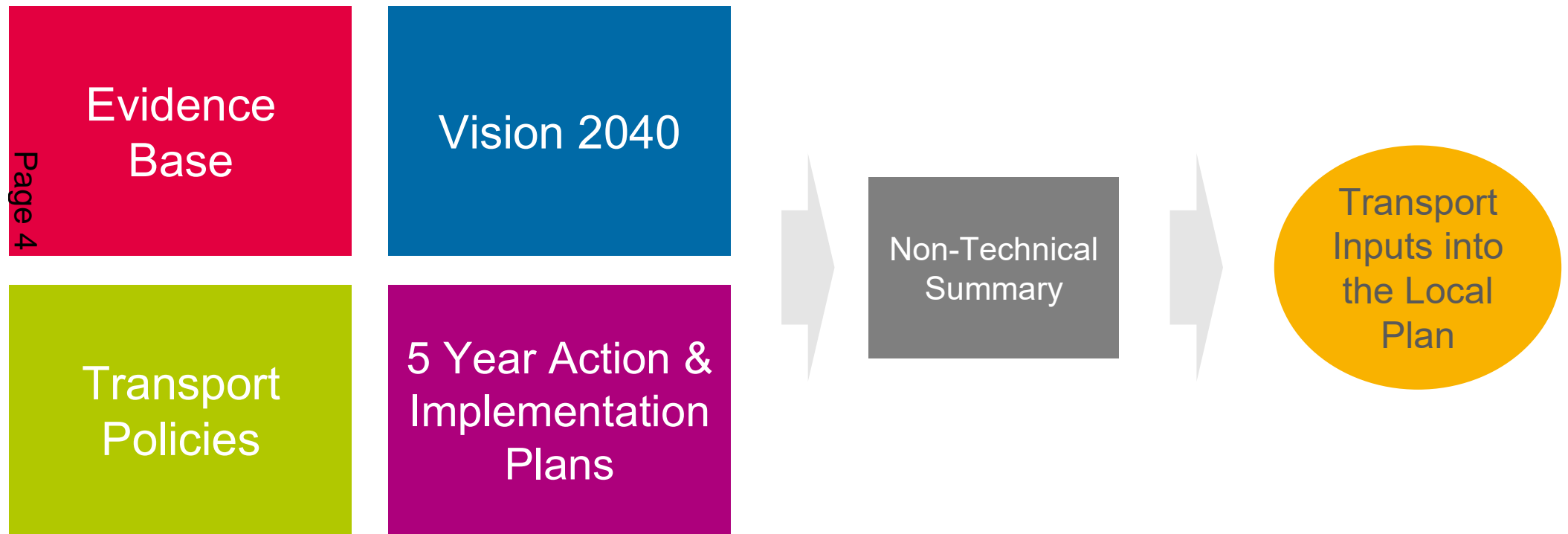
To consider the forward timeline and required process

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# Development of the strategy to-date

# Interim Transport Strategy

Four Staged Process



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# Timeline and Progress



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Transport Evidence Base for Local Plan

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Identification of Challenges and Opportunities

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External Stakeholder Engagement

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Policy Review



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Policy Development

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Internal Stakeholder Engagement

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Connecting Thurrock - Vision 2040



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Officer Workshops

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Non-Technical Summary Outline

# Key Content and Messaging

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# Transport Strategy Content and Messaging

## Overview

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- ❑ The reasons for refreshing the strategy
- ❑ Connecting Thurrock – Vision 2040
- ❑ Interpreting the evidence base
- ❑ Transport policies
- ❑ Five Year Action and Implementation Plans



# Transport Strategy Refresh

Why are we doing it?



Align with the new Local Plan to support the level of expected development, identifying the infrastructure needed to support future land use and planning policies

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Provide a framework for developing transport networks to address the underlying needs of residents, workers and businesses



Support good growth in Thurrock, creating more attractive and better designed places to live, for leisure and work

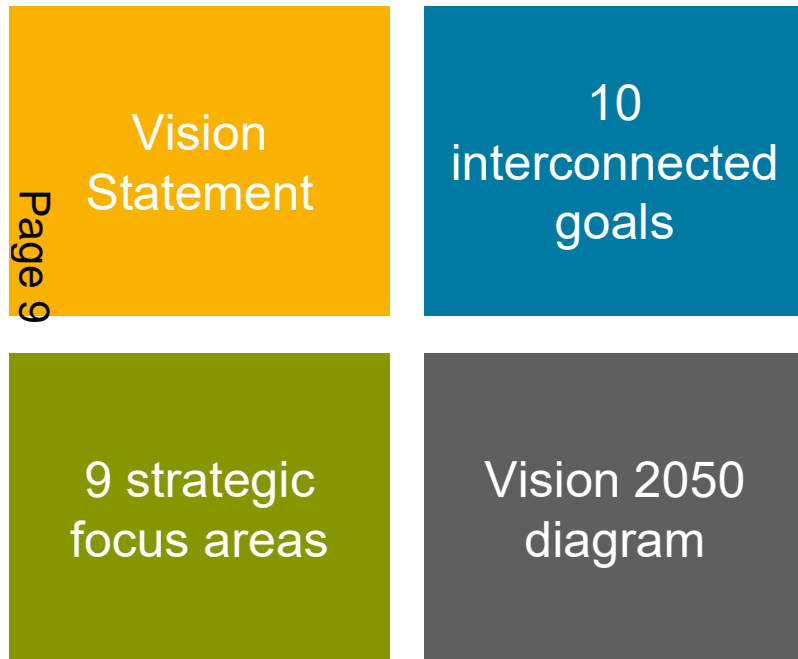


Embed sustainable travel choices and provide people with access to opportunities



# Connected Thurrock – Vision 2040

Four parts to Vision:



## Vision Statement

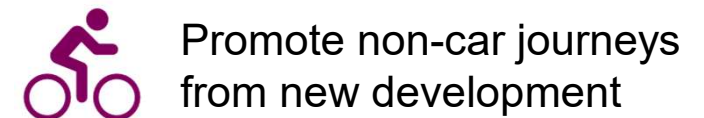
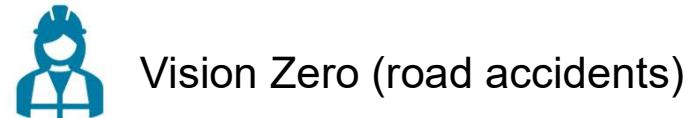
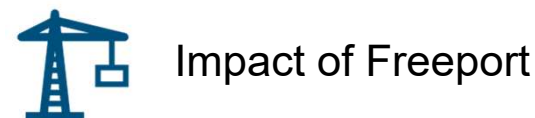
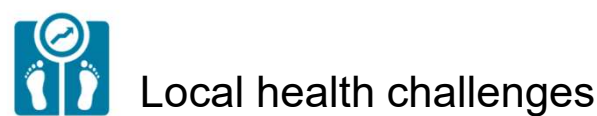
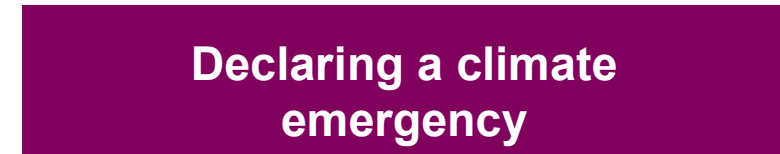
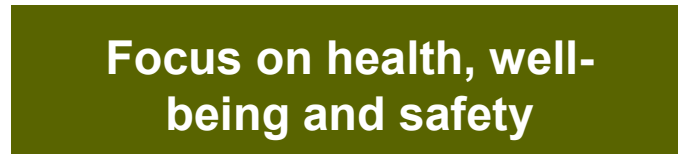
*“The vision is to create a transport system for Thurrock that improves the quality of life for all people. Over the next 30 years, we want to transform our transport connections to help deliver zero-carbon economic growth”*

### Goals

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| 1 | An accessible and inclusive network          | 6  | Modal shift to public transport                    |
| 2 | Reducing emission and improving air quality  | 7  | Safer roads  |
| 3 | Climate change resilience and responsibility | 8  | Facilitating development, growth, and regeneration |
| 4 | Health and wellbeing                         | 9  | Sustainable Development                            |
| 5 | Active travel choices                        | 10 | Managing and maintaining                           |

# Interpreting the Evidence Base

Identifying Key Policy Priorities and Challenges for Thurrock



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# Challenges and Opportunities

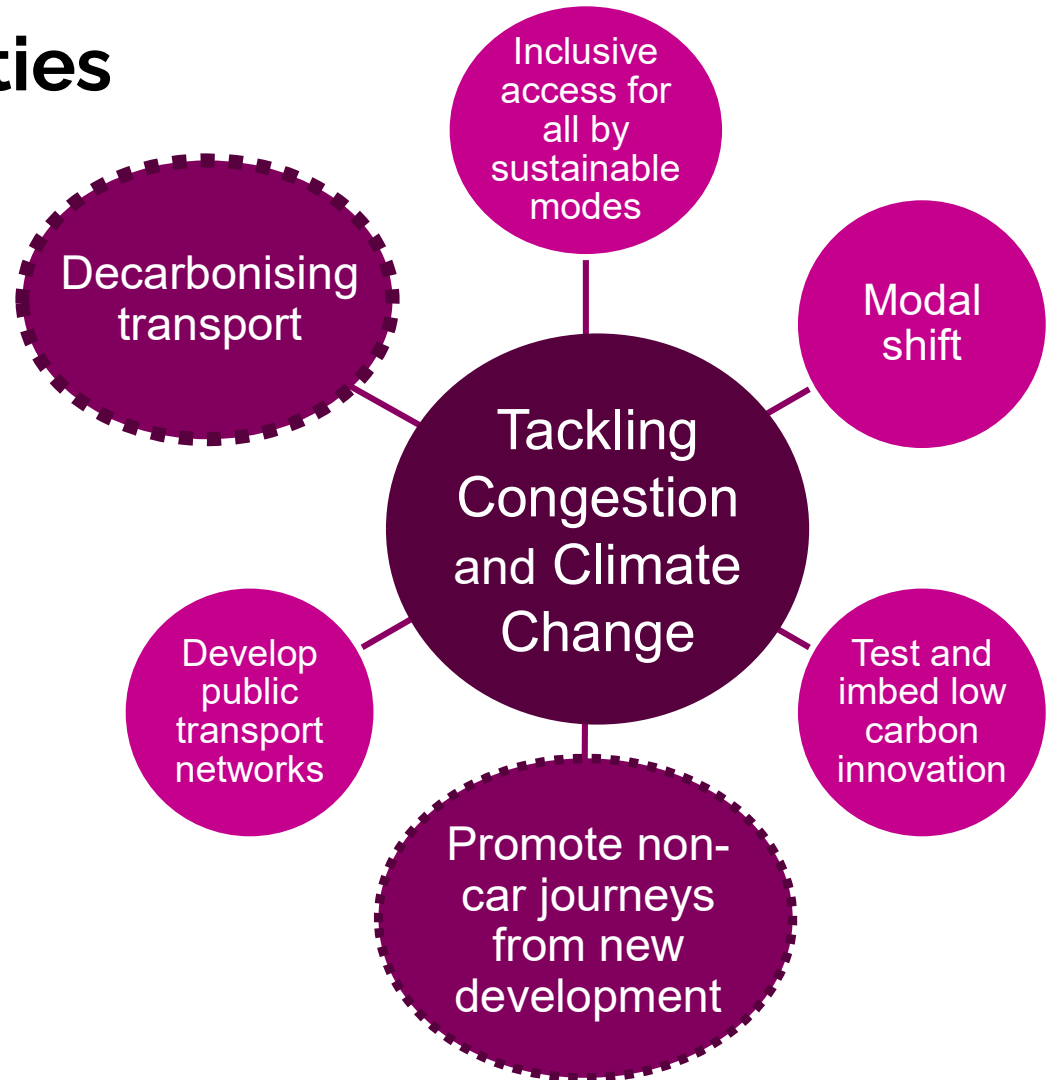


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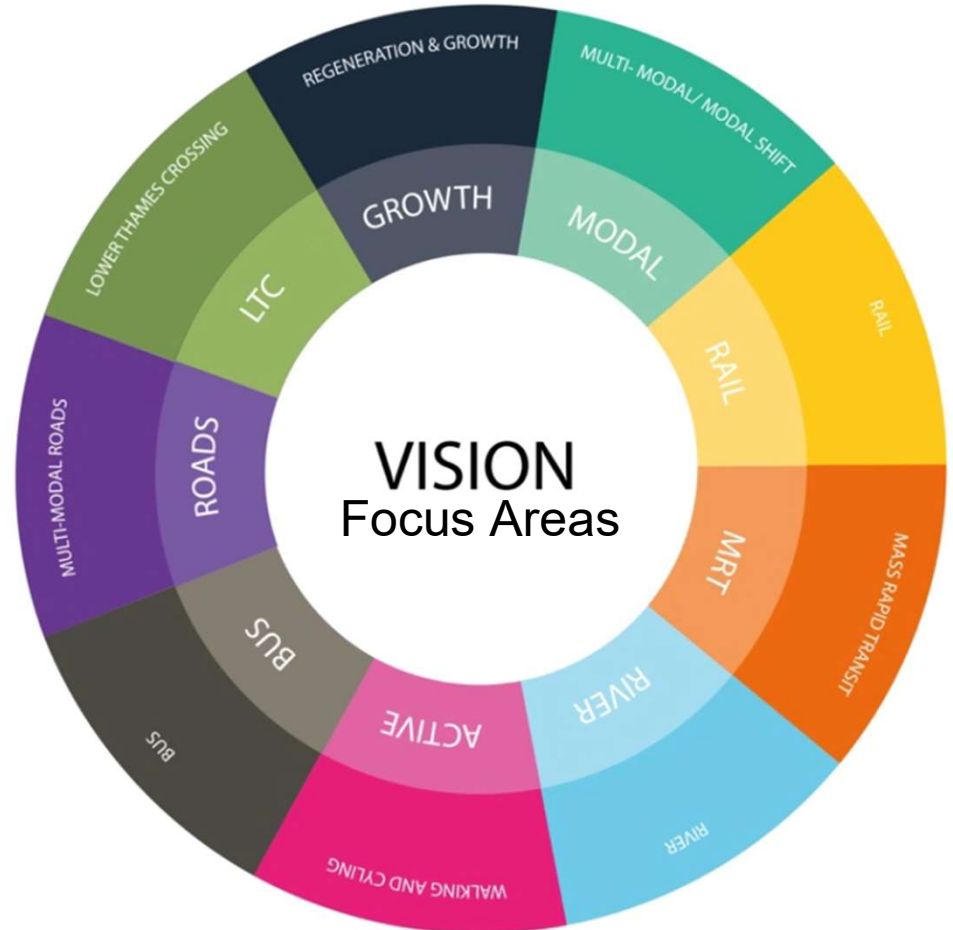


# Developing Transport Policies

Aligning to Strategic Focus Areas from Vision

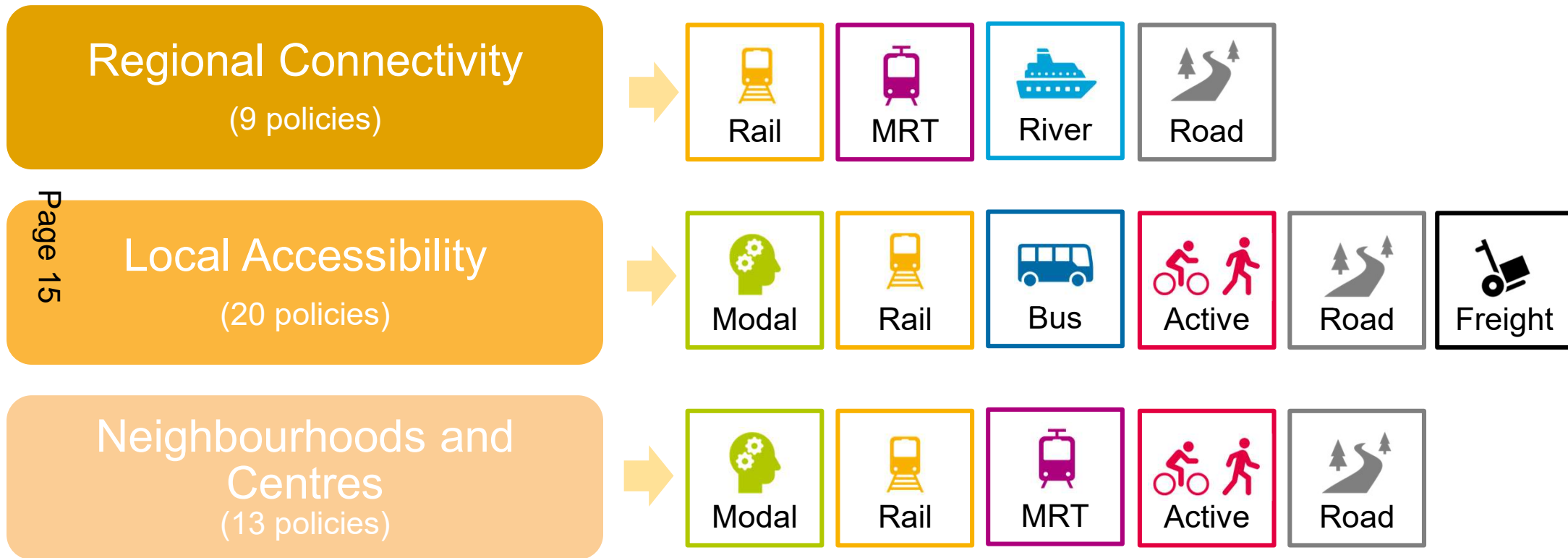
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Addressing challenges and maximising opportunities



# Structure of Transport Policies

Spatial Focus



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# Managing and Enhancing Regional Connectivity (1 of 2)

## Policies

### Strategic Rail



Enhance rail network for passengers and freight

1. Develop Strategic Rail Plan
2. Increase rail capacity
3. Increase rail freight

### Strategic MRT



Work with partners to develop MRT system

1. Cross-boundary MRT proposals





# Managing and Enhancing Regional Connectivity (2 of 2)

## Policies

### River



Maximise opportunities to utilise the river for passengers and freight

1. Passenger services to Central London
2. River freight
3. Cross river connections

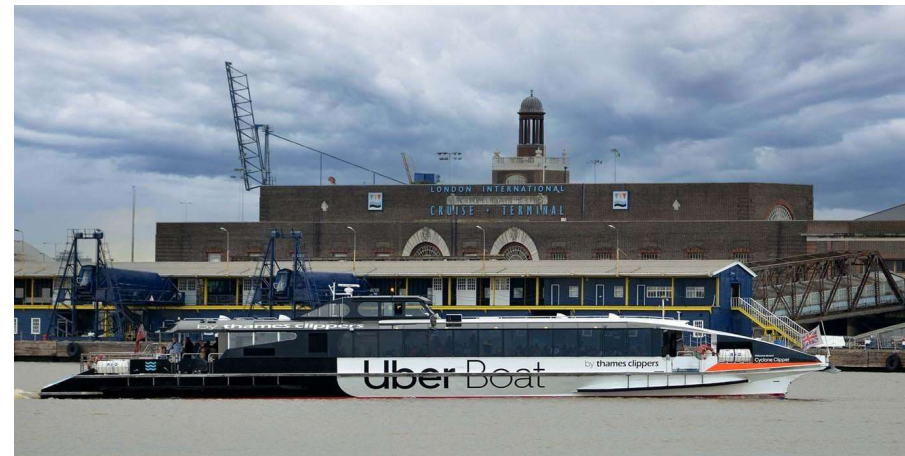
### Strategic Road



Work with partners to provide resilient strategic road links

1. Add capacity, relieve congestion and create resilience
2. Oppose LTC scheme currently proposed

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# Improving Accessibility for All across our Borough (1 of 3)

## Policies

### Modal



Work with partners to develop systems and tools to promote accessibility across all modes of transport

1. Develop transport planning toolkit
2. Establish target mode shares
3. High digital connections
4. Financial mechanisms to encourage sustainable travel
4. Integrated ticketing
5. Improve wayfinding
6. Information provision



Work with partners to manage local rail infrastructure

1. Management of level crossings

### Local Rail



# Improving Accessibility for All across our Borough (2 of 3)

## Policies

### Bus



Work with partners to improve local bus provision and integrate with other modes

1. Develop the bus network
2. Reduce journey times / increase reliability
3. Identify geographical and time-based gaps
4. Integrate with other modes
5. Fuel efficient buses



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### Active Borough



Promote cross-borough active travel movements

1. Infrastructure improvements
2. Green network
3. Cycle hire scheme



# Improving Accessibility for All across our Borough (3 of 3)

## Policies

### Local Roads



Maintain a safe, reliable and low emission local road network

1. Air quality and health strategy
2. Vision zero
3. Maintain network

### Local Freight



Work with partners to minimise impact of local road freight

1. Optimise freight operations
2. Lorry parks
3. Low and zero emission vehicles



# Creating People-focussed Neighbourhoods and Local Centres (1 of 2)

## Policies

### Modal



Create safe and attractive local neighbourhood and centres with good access to services and transport hubs

1. Develop mobility hubs
2. Protect and enhance the public realm, prioritising active modes within neighbourhoods and urban centres
3. Safe and attractive environments for all road users on neighbourhood streets
4. Improve sustainable access to local retail centres
5. Network of centres



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### Access to Rail



Provide high quality local access to rail services

1. New rail interchanges

### Access to MRT



Ensure future developments can be served by MRT network

1. Safeguard land in new developments for MRT

# Creating People-focussed Neighbourhoods and Local Centres (2 of 2)

## Policies

### Active Neighbourhoods



Encourage active travel for short local trips

1. Create new, and maintain existing, high-quality walking and cycling environments
2. Provide cycle parking at key locations for all users

### Multi-Modal Roads



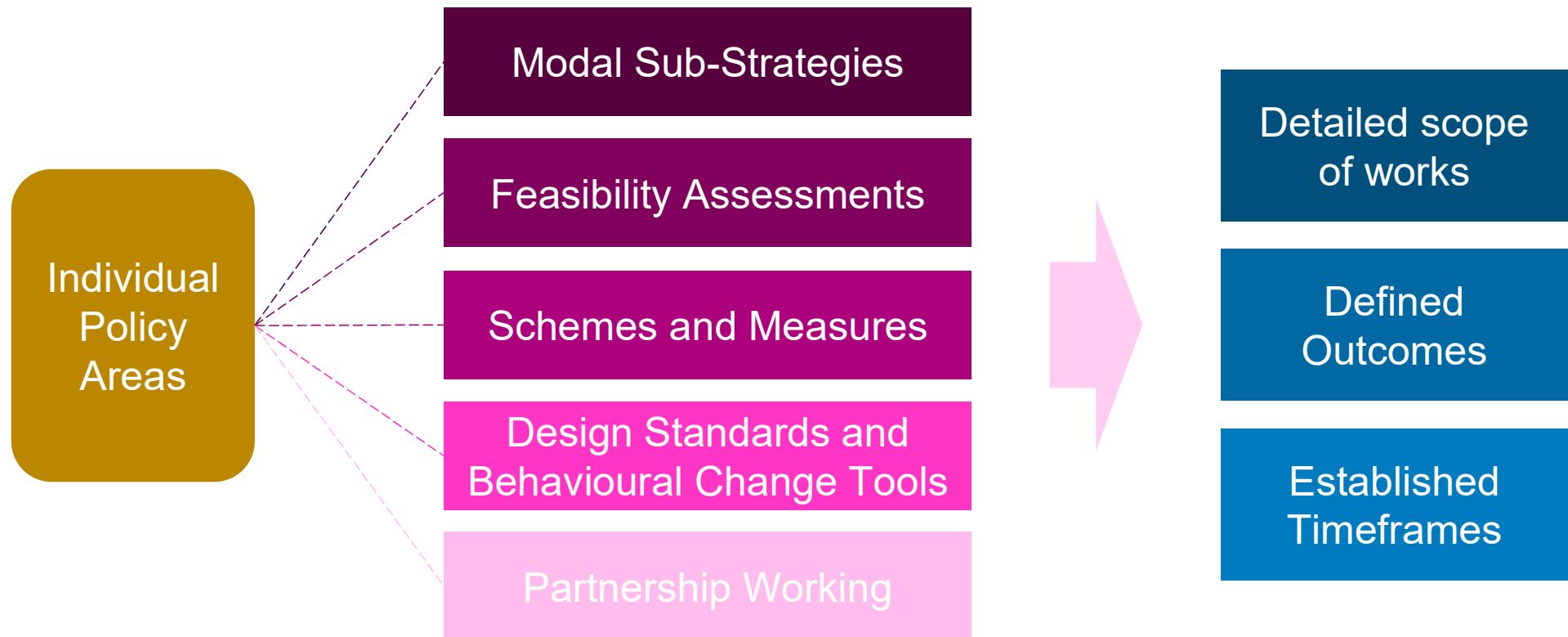
Manage the use neighbourhood road-space

1. Parking provision and standards
2. Promote car clubs
3. EV charging infrastructure
4. New technologies and micro-mobility



# Five Year Action and Implementation Plans

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# Next Steps and Forward Timeline

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# Next Steps in the Process



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