Thurrock Transport Strategy

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Purpose of Session





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

Development of the strategy to-date



Interim Transport Strategy

Four Staged Process

Evidence Base

Vision 2040

Transport Policies

5 Year Action & Implementation Plans

Non-Technical Summary Transport Inputs into the Local Plan

Timeline and Progress



Transport

Evidence Base
for Local Plan







Policy Review







Connecting ThurrockVision 2040

8 Officer Workshops 9 Interim Policies *Draft*

Officer Review

Interim Policies

Draft Final

Non-Technical
Summary
Outline

Key Content and Messaging



Transport Strategy Content and Messaging

Overview

- 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



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 10 interconnected goals

9 strategic focus areas

Vision 2050 diagram

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	1	An accessible and inclusive network
Ö	2	Reducing emission and improving air quality
	3	Climate change resilience and responsibility
	4	Health and wellbeing
	5	Active travel choices

6	Modal shift to public transport
7	Safer roads
8	Facilitating development, growth, and regeneration
9	Sustainable Development
10	Managing and maintaining



Interpreting the Evidence Base

Identifying Key Policy Priorities and Challenges for Thurrock



Good Growth



Decarbonisation

Integrating New Developments

Focus on health, wellbeing and safety Declaring a climate emergency



Population growth



Local health challenges



Decarbonising transport



Impact of Freeport



Vision Zero (road accidents)



Promote non-car journeys from new development

Challenges and Opportunities







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Developing Transport Policies

Aligning to Strategic Focus Areas from Vision

Addressing challenges and maximising opportunities





Structure of Transport Policies

Spatial Focus

Regional Connectivity
(9 policies)











Local Accessibility (20 policies)















Neighbourhoods and Centres (13 policies)













Managing and Enhancing Regional Connectivity (1 of 2)

Policies

Strategic Rail



Enhance rail network for passengers and freight

- 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





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
- B. High digital connections
- 4. Financial mechanisms to encourage sustainable travel
- 4. Integrated ticketing
- 5. Improve wayfinding
- 6. Information provision

Local Rail



Work with partners to manage local rail infrastructure

1. Management of level crossings

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

- Develop the bus network
- Reduce journey times / increase reliability
- Identify geographical and timebased gaps
- Integrate with other modes
- **Fuel efficient buses**



Active Borough 50



Promote cross-borough active travel movements

- Infrastructure improvements
- **Green network**
- 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

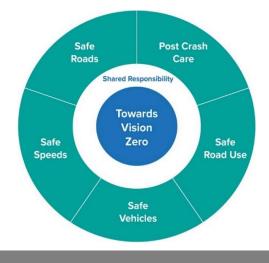
- 1. Air quality and health strategy
- 2. Vision zero
- 3. Maintain network

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



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

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, highquality walking and cycling environments
- 2. Provide cycle parking at key locations for all users

Multi-Modal Roads



Manage the use neighbourhood road-space

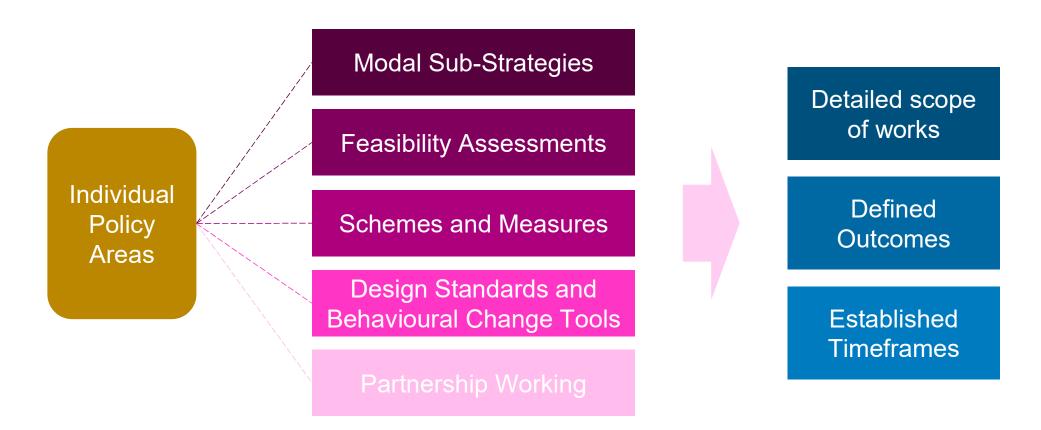
- 1. Parking provision and standards
- 2. Promote car clubs
- 3. EV charging infrastructure
- 4. New technologies and micro-mobility







Five Year Action and Implementation Plans



Next Steps and Forward Timeline



Next Steps in the Process

Member Updates

- Stakeholder Engagement
- Public Engagement
- Communications

Evidence Base

Vision

Policies

5 Year Action and Implementation Plans

Transport inputs into the Local Plan

Council Procedures

- Local Plan / LTC / Freeports
- Vision and Interim / Final TTS

Other Workstreams