

VISION FOR TRANSPORT IN WEST YORKSHIRE

1.1 The West Yorkshire authorities and key partners are working together in order that residents, businesses and visitors will enjoy a high quality integrated local transport system that:

- is efficient, reliable, affordable and safe;
- meets the travel needs of all of the people and businesses of West Yorkshire;
- secures a high quality environment, with the environmental impacts of traffic carefully managed in order to improve road safety and avoid compromising standards relating to noise, air quality and severance;
- provides access to a wide range of goods and services without the need for private motorised transport - thus ensuring that car use is seen as a choice rather than a necessity;
- does not have unacceptable effects on the local or global environment.

CONTENT OF THE LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN

1.2 This Local Transport Plan sets out a strategy for the development of the West Yorkshire transport system over the next five years and shows what resources we need to implement this strategy. The Plan builds on the provisional Local Transport Plan that was published in July 1999. The Local Transport Plan process is illustrated in Figure 1.1.

“the plan should start with a broad, long term aim to make West Yorkshire beautiful, with a high quality of life for its inhabitants”

1.3 Local **problems and opportunities** have been analysed, and this analysis has been used to help develop **objectives** and a **strategy** designed to fulfil those objectives.

A **programme** has been developed to implement that strategy over the Plan period.

1.4 A number of **indicators and targets** have been developed in order to check progress in meeting our objectives. These will be used to measure the results of implementing the strategy and this information will be used to see whether we need to adjust the Plan and to help in the review of the Plan in five years time.

1.5 It is important to ensure that there is broad based support for the Plan and public **consultation** and participation has helped to develop the Plan. (We have included illustrative quotes throughout the Plan, as in the adjacent column.)

1.6 Figure 1.1 is used throughout this document to help show how different sections relate to each other, with highlighted blocks showing the reader’s position.

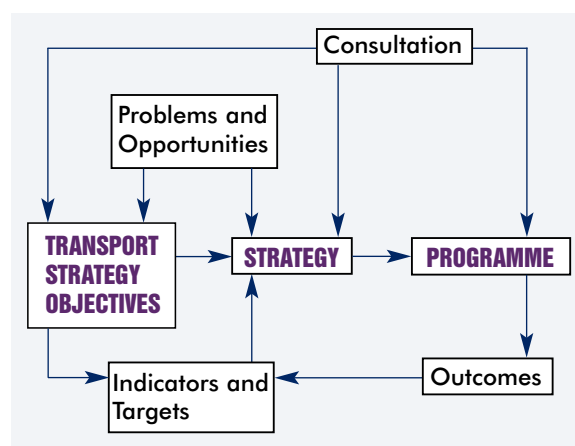


Figure 1.1 The Local Transport Plan Process

INTRODUCTION

1.7 The following appendices, giving greater detail than is contained within this document, are contained in a separate volume:

- Report on the LTP Consultation
- West Yorkshire Bus Strategy
- West Yorkshire RailPlan 5
- West Yorkshire Walking Strategy
- West Yorkshire Cycling Strategy
- West Yorkshire Road Safety Strategy
- West Yorkshire Demand Management Strategy
- West Yorkshire Highway Maintenance Strategy
- West Yorkshire Structural Maintenance Strategy
- West Yorkshire Sustainable Distribution Strategy
- Leeds Bradford International Airport Surface Access Strategy
- Land Use Planning Issues
- Transport and Social Inclusion
- Large Minor Schemes
- Major Schemes
- West Yorkshire Road Traffic Reduction Report
- Transport and Health
- Policy Linkages

1.8 In addition, the accompanying Annual Progress Report includes the monitoring of performance indicators against targets, monitoring individual schemes that have already been implemented and progress already made in implementing the Plan. Similar reports will be published on an annual basis.