

# Local Transport Plan News



**“Whether you drive a car, ride a motorcycle, catch the bus or train, walk or cycle, the new LTP will affect you, and it is important that you are aware of how we are progressing and that you feel engaged in the process.”**

**Cllr Robert Marshall, Lead Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Infrastructure**

Welcome to our first LTP newsletter which aims to keep you informed about how the LTP is progressing and to tell you how you can get involved.

## Staffordshire's LTP in a nutshell

Staffordshire's third Local Transport Plan (LTP) will run from 2011 to 2026. It will cover the entire county and be split into two documents:

A Strategy Plan will set out a 15-year vision of how we (and our partners) intend to create a transport network that:

- supports economic prosperity
- safely and conveniently connects communities across Staffordshire and beyond
- is environmentally sustainable
- promotes quality of life

An Implementation Plan will set out the schemes that will be delivered over a five year period in order to achieve the vision. It will also include:

- a robust performance management regime, including targets, compliance and risk
- a summary of the major schemes (i.e. schemes costing more than £5 million) we wish to progress

The LTP will complement national transport goals ([www.dft.gov.uk](http://www.dft.gov.uk)), reflect local priorities

([www.staffordshirepartnership.org.uk](http://www.staffordshirepartnership.org.uk)), and take into account the trends and drivers that will shape the future of Staffordshire.

## Assessments, duties and plans

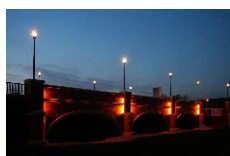
There are a number of assessments that the LTP will need to go through, and a host of duties and plans that it will need to reflect. These include a Strategic Environmental Assessment, a Health Impact Assessment, an Equalities Impact Assessment, the Network Management Duty, and the Transport Asset Management Plan, etc.

## Progress so far

We have started work on preparing the next LTP. We have gained the views of over 1,300 residents and stakeholders about what they think should be the LTP's priorities.

Seven objectives, which represent the broad aims of the LTP, have been identified:

- supporting economic prosperity
- tackling climate change
- better accessibility and integration
- respecting the natural and built environments
- improving quality of life
- improving safety and security
- improving highway maintenance



Twenty six challenges have been identified as the main problems that need to be addressed in order to achieve the LTP's objectives. To see the list of challenges, please contact the Transport Policy Team.

### Next steps

Over the next couple of months we will be identifying the broad strategic approaches to delivering the LTP. These approaches, and the measures that will lie underneath them, will be posted on the LTP Portal ([www.staffordshire.gov.uk/ltp](http://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/ltp)) as soon as practicably possible.

### Consultations

The LTP Consultation Plan, which can be viewed via the Portal, sets out how we plan to engage with residents and stakeholders between now and April 2011 in order to ensure that all those who wish to influence the LTP are given a genuine opportunity to do so.

Thank you to all of you who completed the on-line questionnaire, which sought views on the LTP's vision, objectives and challenges. The winners of the prize draw are pictured opposite.

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Prize winners Amanda Makin and Toby Sills with Transport Policy Officer Mark Evans

Further full and 'light touch' consultations will be carried out throughout the period running up to the submission of the LTP, so please keep visiting the Portal.

#### Keep me informed

If you would rather receive electronic updates on our progress or would like to take part in further LTP consultations, please email us at:  
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