Introduction to the Commissioning Strategies for the Highways & Transport Scrutiny Committee



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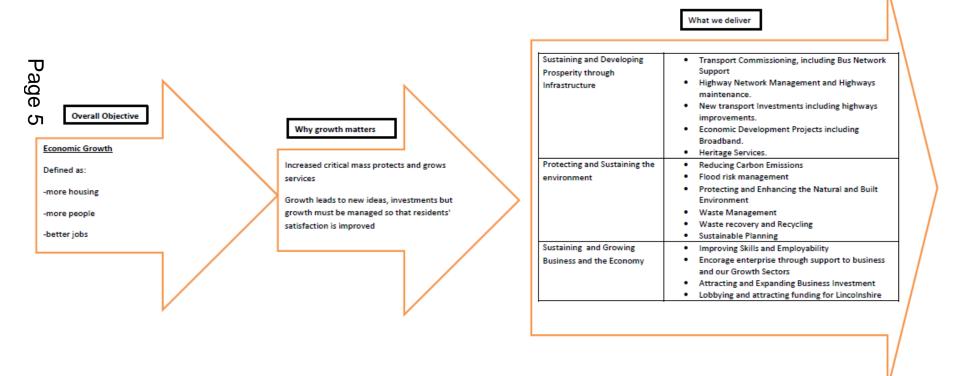




Commissioning Strategies

Strategy:

- 1. Sustaining and growing business and the economy
- 2. Sustaining and developing prosperity through infrastructure
- 3. Protecting and sustaining the environment



Approach & Triggers

Commissioning approach:

- Measuring and agreeing need
- Understanding expectations
- Agreeing priorities and plans
- Planning and commissioning activity
- Monitoring and reviewing performance
- Holding deliverers to account
- Improving outcomes

Triggers:

- Market change;
- New or changed service requirement;
- · Changing Council priorities;
- Contract renewal;
- Current delivery not fit for purpose;
- Budget pressures;
- Time since last review

Scrutiny Input

Approach:

- A need to think strategically
- Clarity on the evidenced need
- An accuracy and robustness in justifying the benefits that are likely to be achieved
- A focus on outputs that will drive economic growth
- Early engagement with national bodies
- Engagement with private sector developers and development of partnership arrangements to unblock infrastructure barriers
- Effective political engagement

Main Considerations:

- Are we maximizing our funding and investment opportunities?
- Are we working effectively in partnership?
- Are our investments supporting economic growth?
- How can infrastructure investment be best prioritised?
- Where investments which support growth are being made, how can they be done in a way which preserves quality of life?
- Linkages between Environment & Economy / Highways & Transport Scrutiny

GLLEP



The Midlands Engine / Midlands Connect

Themes:

- improving connectivity
- strengthening skills
- supporting enterprise and innovation
- promoting trade
- enhancing quality of life across the Midlands.

Economic Development Priorities:

- Skills
- Enterprise and Innovation
- Trade
- Housing and Quality of Life

Links to the Sub-National Transport Body (SNTB)

Policy & Plans

Economy

Importance of the SEP

Planning

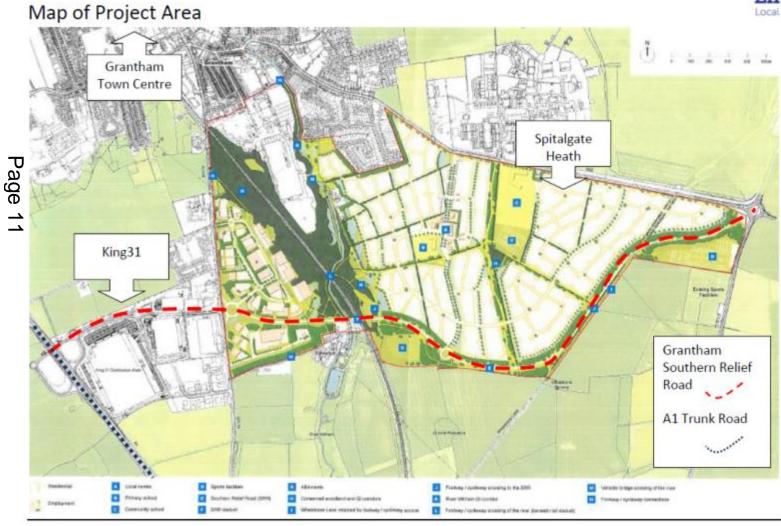
- Local Plans:
 - Central Lincolnshire
 - South East Lincolnshire
 - East Lindsey
 - South Kesteven

Transport

Local Transport Plan

GRANTHAM SOUTHERN RELIEF ROAD





KING 31 LINK ROAD



Lincoln East West Link



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View from Pelham Bridge



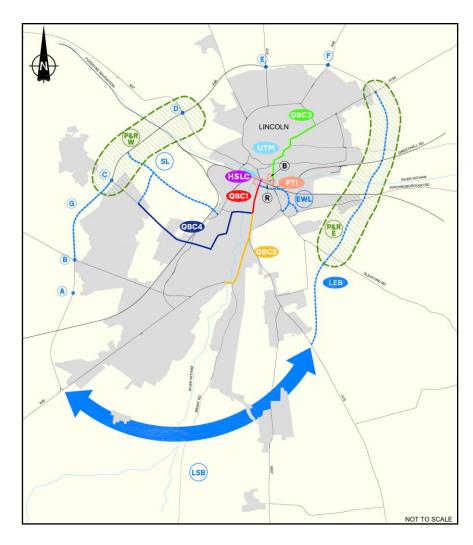




Lincoln Integrated Transport Strategy

The Strategy represents a truly multimodal set of transport improvements which when combined, enable the overall aim of the Strategy for Lincoln to be achieved. This includes:

- Reducing Congestion
- Encouraging Modal Shift
- Improving Accessibility
- Improving the Environment
- Improving Quality of Life
- Supporting the Economy



LEB Route Map

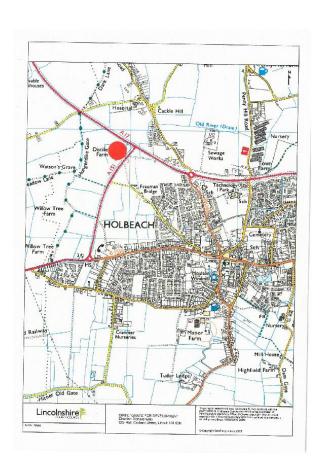


LEB Scheme Objectives

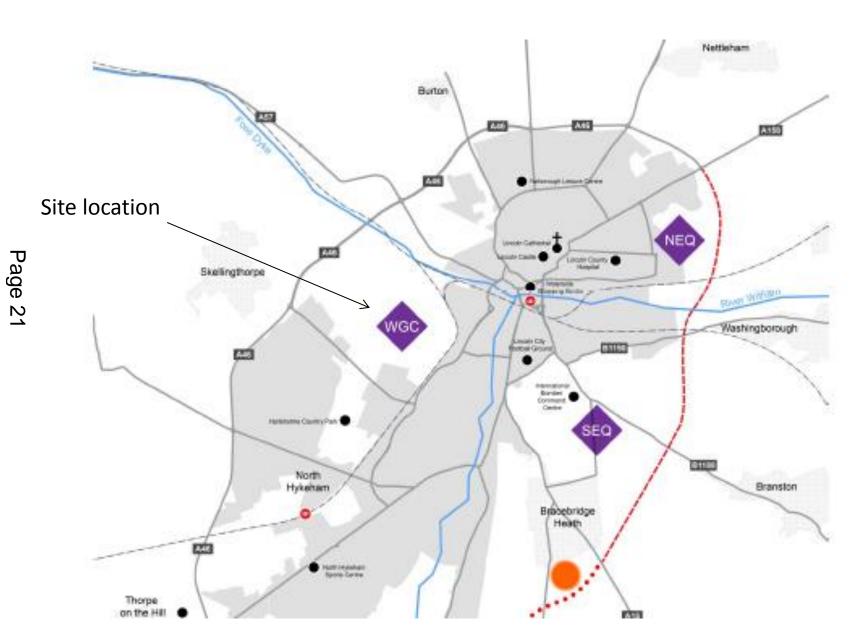
- To support the delivery of sustainable economic growth within the Lincoln Policy Area
- To improve attractiveness and liveability of central Lincoln for residents, workers and visitors
- To reduce carbon emissions and improve air and noise quality within the Lincoln Policy Area



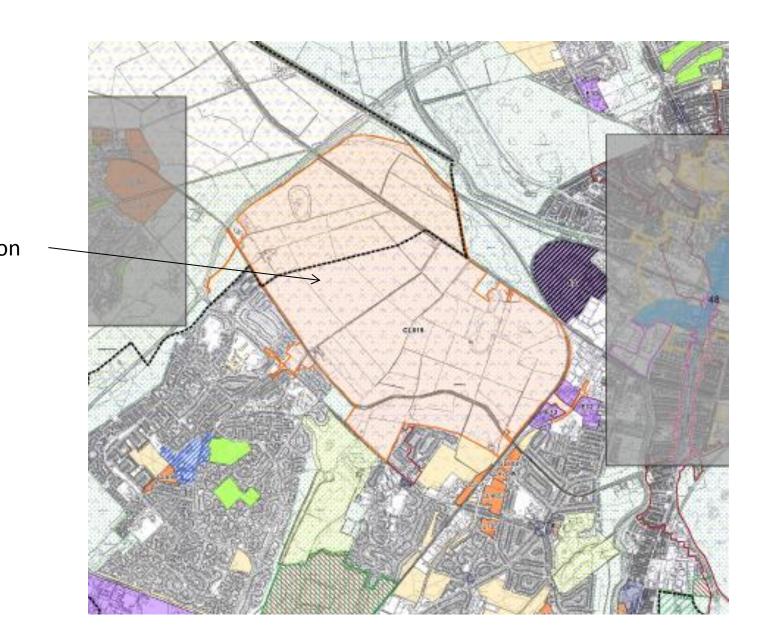
Location Plan: Holbeach



Western Growth Corridor - SUE



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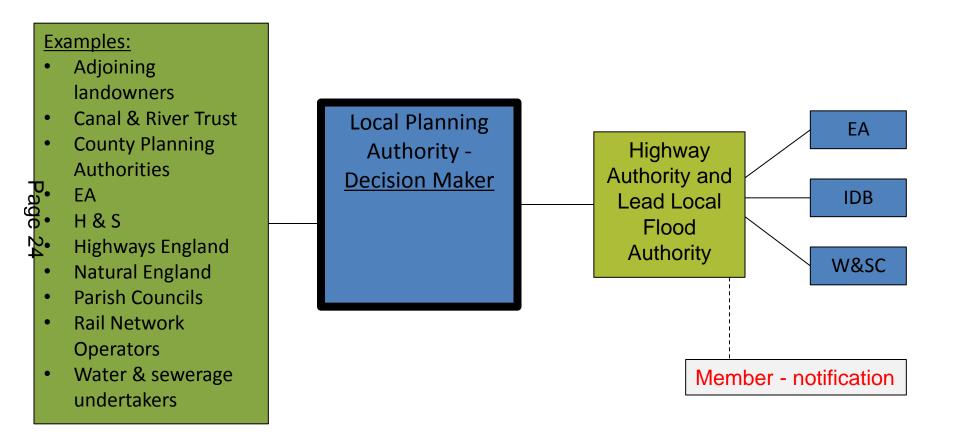
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LCC provides an integrated service Flood Risk & Highways and a "single point of contact" approach

Flood risk & drainage **Highways** IIntegrated response I Less detail Pre planning enquiries Pre planning Page 23 enquiries **Outline** applications Outline applications Full applications Full applications SUDS adoption & maintenance secured through planning - implemented by LLFA with respect to Highways

More detail

Statutory Consultees in the Planning Process NB – we are not the decision making authority!



Statutory Role:

Highway
Authority
AND
Lead Local
Flood
Authority

- Consulted by 7 district councils
- Consulted by county planning
- Approx. 8000 applications pa



What we consider as a consultee - as Highway Authority



- Capacity (National Planning Policy Framework – severe)
- Safety
- Sustainability

What we consider as a consultee - as lead local flood authority



- Local sources of flooding (EA previously had this role)
- Flood risk to / from (incl. minor development)
- Safety
- Secondary consultations
- SuDS for majors (10+)

FOM Objectives

- FOM driven by the efficiencies required from Fundamental Budget Review, Senior Management Review, Financial Challenge.
- The Highways Service no longer resourced to provide personal service and the inefficient reactive approach.
- Designed to include the core tenets of "best practice commissioning".

FOM Milestones

- Initial Value for Money study by Cranfield University in 2013
- Simplifying the operating structures
- Improving processes consistency and compliance
- Improving resources management and utilisation
- Improved performance assessment and accountability

FOM Outcomes

- True services commissioning at a functional level
- Asset management plan driven services management
- Leaner more efficient field (divisional) operations
- Reduced contractor costs
- Embedded value for money assurance

Street Lighting

2016/17 Transformation Project Background:

- Total around 68,000 lights
- Was costing £5M p.a. to run

2016/17 Transformation Project Outcomes:

- Implemented new policy
- Saved £1.7m pa running costs
- Reduced energy consumption by over 50%
- Saved over 6,200 tonnes CO2 pa
- 17,000 LED conversions
- 42,000 now part-night lit
- 1,000 switched off completely

Passenger Transport - Issues

- Impact of legislative changes Bus Services Act, Disability Regs, Emissions, Safeguarding Etc
- Political influences (National vs Local priorities)
- Any further £ reduction = loss of service provision in the county. Potential for severe impact on accessibility and local communities. Contentious and significant changes will require full public consultation.

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- NHS Sustainable Transformation Plan delivery is likely to impact on the demands placed on public transport. Initial engagement and scoping underway.
- Public Transport Strategy is 10yrs old. Review needed. Any proposed policy changes would require full public consultation.

- Crude tool currently for determining which services receive financial support. Sensible to review and refine decision making mechanism. Again scrutiny inc. public consultation required for approach going forward.
- Increasing funding gap for concessionary fares (ENCT) scheme. Statutory defined scheme. Financial capping illegal.

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 - Lack of market capacity and capability (vehicles and staff). May require more intervention to deliver statutory and/or community needs. Teckal activity is currently employed. Increased Teckal utilisation plus other proposals may need to be considered.
 - Operator concerns = lack of bus lanes/ priority in congested areas.

SPEED MANAGEMENT POLICY

Work of Scrutiny Committee A Case Study



Oct 2013: Task and Finish Group established. 9 Non-Executive Members. Chair - Councillor Brookes. Site Visits and Focus Groups.

June 2014: Final Report considered by Committee.

Amendments suggested to Borderline
Cases and included in report to the
Executive.

Sept 2014: Executive Response and Action Plan considered by Scrutiny Committee – concerns so further work requested.

Dec 2014: Further Report to Scrutiny – proposal to adopt of threshold limit of +/- 3 mph.

Mar 2015: Draft Policy for consideration, including the changes proposed by the Committee.

Page April 2015:

Agreed that a Traffic Policy for Schools should be consulted on at the same time.

Draft Traffic Policy for Schools considered and recommended for public consultation.

Sept 2015: Public consultations responses on both policies considered by the Committee. Recommendation submitted to Portfolio Holder for approval.

Performance Reporting

Corporate Business Plan – quarterly updates
Policy changes
Key issues
Contractual issues

ANY QUESTIONS?

