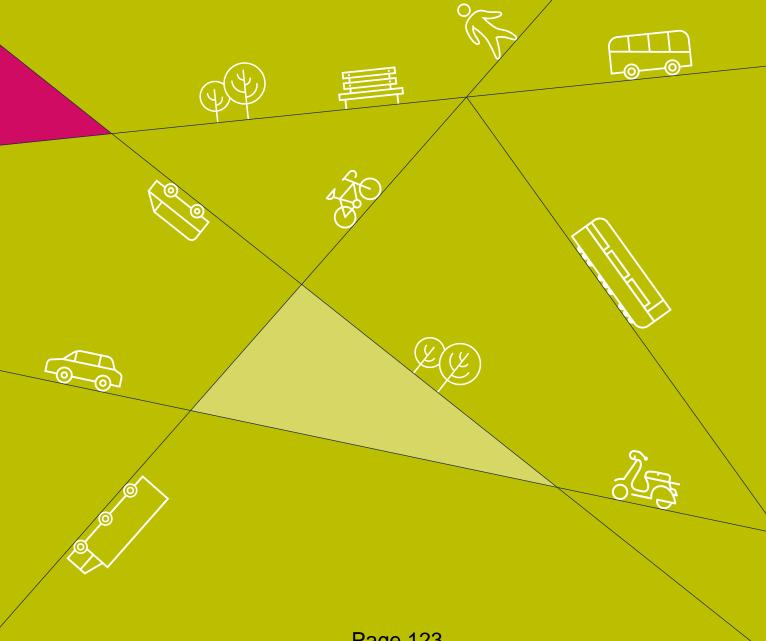
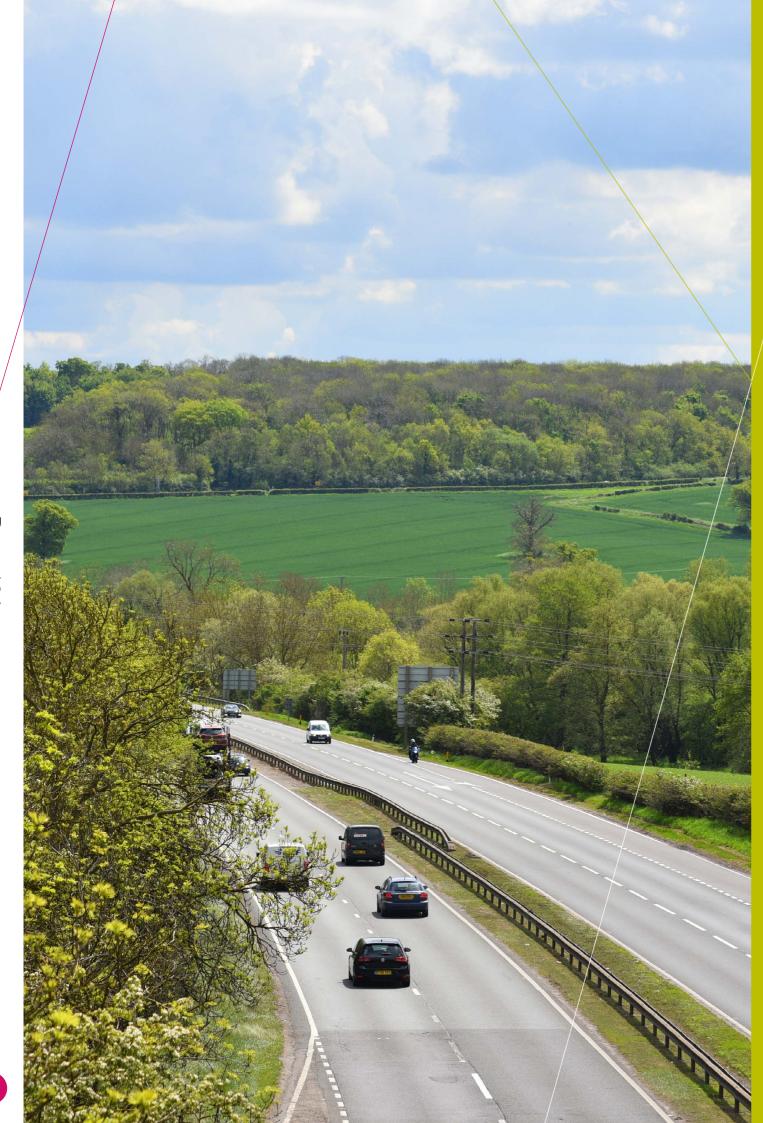


# Local Transport Plan 5

Prospectus







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# Rising to Today's Transport Challenges and Opportunities

Lincolnshire's fifth Local Transport Plan has been produced under highly unusual circumstances – a period of rapid change and upheaval that is presenting us with significant challenges but also exciting opportunities.

To be ready for the future we need to clearly identify the challenges we face, so we can respond to them intelligently, effectively and flexibly. But we also need to take advantage of changes in technologies and lifestyles, influenced by factors including the recent pandemic and growing environmental awareness. By doing so we can create a better, more sustainable transport system that will contribute to the health, prosperity and wellbeing of everyone in Lincolnshire.

# Delivering sustainability and Net Zero emissions

Because transport is a significant contributor to the UK's emissions, reducing them is a fundamental part of our Local Transport Plan. The UK Government has committed, by law, to achieve Net Zero emissions by 2050, and its plan includes a ban on the sale of new petrol and diesel vehicles from 2030. As well as helping us hit the Zero Carbon deadline, lowering emissions is a starting point for creating a healthy, pleasant and clean environment for everyone with better air quality and more peaceful outdoor spaces.

# Identifying positives from changes after Covid-19

Covid-19 disrupted our lives, communities and economy, and the transport system was no exception. Bus and rail services were hit hard and will need support to recover. However, lockdown also produced some changes that could have beneficial effects for our health and the environment if they continue. For example, during summer 2020, the number of journeys taken by bicycle were 50% above normal levels. Between February and September 2020, online retail grew from 20.1% of all sales to 27.1%, a trend which is a concern for our high streets but could reduce traffic congestion and pollution.



## **UK Government Decarbonisation Targets**



Planned date for ban on new petrol & diesel vehicle sales

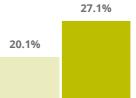


Lincolnshire's carbon emissions reduction target

## Changes in Behaviour Resulting from 'Lockdown'



Increase in bicycle journeys during summer 2020 (lockdown)



Increase in online retail (% of total) – Feb-Sept 2020

## Increasing prosperity, sustainably

Transport has a role to play in improving economic growth and development for everyone. With an estimated 25% of Lincolnshire's population earning below the real living wage (as calculated by the Living Wage Foundation), we need a strong transport infrastructure that supports new businesses – and more jobs – in our region. So far, 950 hectares of land has been allocated for employment and business growth, and 100,000 new homes are planned across Greater Lincolnshire. Our transport plan will help us create more sustainable developments while reducing the impact of extra journeys created by growth in employment, trade and housing.

# **Benefiting from increased** digital connectivity

Covid-19 has accelerated new trends and has dramatically changed how we work, travel and communicate. Things are still in flux, but we anticipate that flexible and home working are here to stay. The same goes for increases in online shopping and online access to services like education and health. A more digital lifestyle could mean positive effects on traffic congestion and pollution, especially if we integrate digital and physical connections through tools like online journey planning and app-based bookings.

### A Transport Plan that's right for Lincolnshire

Lincolnshire is the UK's second-largest county, and it's more geographically diverse than many people think. We have urban, agricultural and industrial landscapes, from the City of Lincoln to our market towns and coastlines. All these places have different transport needs - there's no 'one size fits all'. For example, reducing vehicle use benefits health and the environment, but in rural areas cars are still essential for many. We take a 'place-based approach', which means transport plans that are right for each place and community, integrated with how things already work locally.

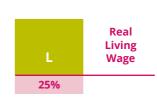
## Flexible, future-proof planning

Things can change quickly. Our plan tries to anticipate the most likely long-term changes, so the decisions we make in the short to medium term don't prevent us from adapting to future innovations. By planning for the future we can deliver better value for money, reduce waste, and enable sustainable travel. For example, roads will always be important for transporting goods, connecting rural communities and providing healthcare. But to keep up with change, they should be designed for different modes of transport, like cycling, and new infrastructure like EV charging points.





### **Levelling Up in Lincolnshire**

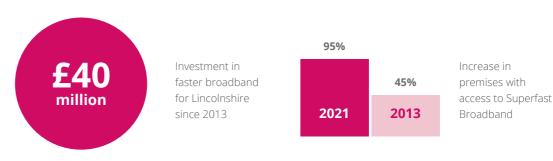


Lincolnshire population earning below the real living wage (estimate)

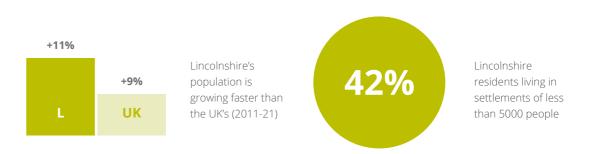


Hectares of Lincolnshire land allocated for business growth & employment

### **Increased Digital Connectivity**



### **Lincolnshire's Unique Characteristics**



# A Transport Plan That's Flexible and Future-Proof



Lincolnshire is developing 8 Local Transport Plans to reflect local needs

- Boston
  - Gainsborough
  - Grantham
  - Lincoln
  - Skegness & Mablethorpe
- Sleaford
- Spalding &
- Holbeach Stamford

# Building on Recent Achievements

This transport plan builds on significant recent progress and achievements in developing Lincolnshire's transport system, including:



2020 Active Travel

# Supporting Our Priority Industry Sectors

Lincolnshire's six priority industry sectors have the potential to help us grow our economy and maintain a competitive advantage. Our transport plan includes specific support for each of them.



#### For agrifood we plan to:

- Improve road and rail connections, journey time and urban connectivity
- Enhance access to the Food Enterprise Zones
- Increase connections to ports and other international gateways



#### For **energy** we plan to:

- Strengthen our infrastructure for alternative energy sources
- Improve access to Humber and east coast renewable energy growth points
- Support the shift away from fossil fuels for passenger and freight journeys



#### For ports & logistics we plan to:

- Develop a Lincolnshire freight plan that's integrated with regional strategies
- Improve transport connections to ports and other international gateways
- Support the work of the regional energy hub



#### For the **visitor economy** we plan to:

- Enhance access to our coast and to heritage sites, resorts and attractions
- Support a longer visitor season by increasing public transport capabilities
- Develop better active travel networks to promote green tourism



#### For **defence** we plan to:

- Develop transport links between military bases and supporting industry hubs
- Improve connections to other centres of excellence in the defence industry



#### For **healthcare** we plan to:

- Improve connections to local and regional care centres
- Support innovations towards more digital care
- Build connections between health centres of excellence across Lincolnshire

# Supporting Economic Growth

A healthy economy requires strong connections. By investing in physical and digital links between Lincolnshire and the rest of the UK, as well as between the towns, cities and villages of our county, we will create better opportunities for businesses and people now and in the future.

#### Improving connectivity ~ Objective 1a

The more we connect, the more we thrive.

A better transport network will improve connectivity, boosting the economy by improving access for business, employment, education, and tourism. We'll work with industry and government to strengthen connectivity within our region and with the rest of the UK and beyond. That means focusing on gateways to the region, like railway stations, and UK-wide transport links like HS2 and the A1.





# Future-proofing our transport network ~ Objective 1b

A reliable and resilient transport system.

Because of the way towns and villages in Lincolnshire are spread out, there is uneven demand on the transport system and car travel is often the easier option. Problems like congestion and delays affect businesses and communities. We want to improve the transport system's resilience and efficiency so that public transport, walking and cycling offer a real alternative to driving.

# Supporting our town centres and rural communities ~ Objective 1c

# Levelling up local economies and cutting down carbon emissions.

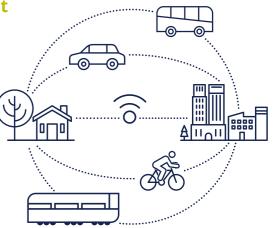
Thriving town and village centres have many benefits. Employment closer to home means shorter commutes and more opportunities. Locally available services and leisure activities cut down car journeys. And better digital connectivity makes rural living possible for more working people. We will invest in local and smaller scale projects that provide efficient access to services and help local centres flourish.



# Connecting people to employment opportunities ~ Objective 1d

# Improving rail, road and public transport for employees.

Work has changed, and travel patterns are changing with it. Digital connections are now essential for many jobs and where we work is more varied than ever. We will strengthen digital and physical links between workplaces, major centres and communities, and connections with the rest of the UK, so that people in Lincolnshire can raise their skill levels and their aspirations.



# Championing 6 priority industry sectors ~ Objective 1e

#### We're standing behind local businesses.

We've identified 6 sectors that have the potential to bring strong growth and competitive advantage to our region. They are:

- Agrifood
- Visitor economy
- Energy
- Defence
- Ports and logistics
- Health care

Each one has its own transport needs, which we'll invest in and improve in the coming months and years.













# **Future-ready Green Transport**

Reducing emissions is a major goal for transport in Britain, and an important part of our defence against climate change. In line with the government's commitment to a net-zero carbon future, we will make transport in Lincolnshire greener and cleaner, and at the same time create a better, healthier transport experience for everyone. Here's how.



~ Objective 2a

More sustainable transport will reduce CO2 emissions, improve our environment and benefit our health.

Right now, 38% of Lincolnshire's CO2 emissions come from land-based transport. To help tackle this, we're investing in our rail and bus networks, making them the go-to choice for accessible travel. We're improving footpaths and cycle paths so you can make carbonneutral journeys while getting outdoors. Finally, we're helping Lincolnshire make the transition from fossil fuels to electric and low-carbon transport.





# Making communities more self-sufficient ~ Objective 2b

Flourishing local communities will reduce the need to travel and CO2 emissions.

Why travel long distances when everything you need is on the doorstep? We can reduce travel emissions by helping local communities thrive. From businesses and services to leisure and healthcare, we will make more of the important things in life locally accessible. We're also strengthening digital infrastructure so people can live and work where they choose, lowering their carbon footprints.

# Planning sustainable development ~ Objective 2c

Good planning and design will make new developments more sustainable.

We want to make sure that new business, industrial, leisure and residential developments in Lincolnshire have greener travel in their DNA. From car clubs and mobility hubs to walkable neighbourhoods and transport interchanges, we will work with developers to plan and deliver projects that help make the county's daily commutes, delivery routes and local journeys as green as possible.



# Making transport climate change resistant ~ Objective 2d

We must make our transport network resilient to climate change.

In the future, we'll need transport that's resilient and adaptable so that potential climate change won't slow us down. We will work with experts to identify which parts of our transport network are most vulnerable to things like heat, storms and flooding, and prioritise improvements. Where we build or maintain things, we will use sustainable materials that are resilient to climate change.



# Promoting Thriving Environments

We enjoy a diverse and beautiful landscape, from our inspiring coastline to the Lincolnshire Wolds and ancient heritage sites. Without careful thought, transport can affect our surroundings through noise, light and air pollution, and the contamination of our waterways. Our priority is a transport system that will enhance, not endanger, the local environment.

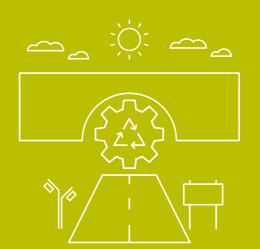
# Respecting and protecting our built and natural environment

~ Objective 30

#### Balancing efficiency, economy and ecology.

We will help protect and improve our environment for people and nature, minimising the visual and physical impact of transport infrastructure and using locally sourced materials. The transport system itself includes important habitats like hedgerows and verges, and we will manage them carefully. We will review maintenance work that can impact the environment, such as salting, gritting and litter treatment.





# Minimising waste, maximising resources ~ Objective 3b

#### We'll repair and adapt, not just replace.

New transport infrastructure is expensive, creates waste and uses up natural resources. So we'll always try to improve and maintain existing transport systems instead of building new. That might mean recycling materials and waste, sourcing locally, and using technology to minimise congestion and maximise capacity. Active travel like walking and cycling will save wear and tear on the transport system.



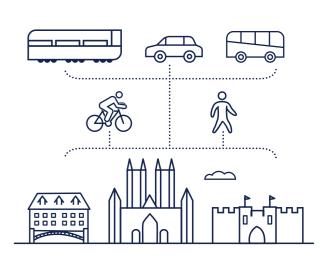




# Creating access to heritage and nature for everyone ~ Objective 3c

#### Welcoming visitors with sustainable transport options.

Our economy benefits when people visit Lincolnshire. So it makes sense to improve access to attractions like castles, museums and cathedrals, as well as natural beauty spots. We'll do this without compromising the environment with too much traffic and footfall. We'll support easier access via more sustainable kinds of transport and initiatives to reward visitors who don't travel by car.



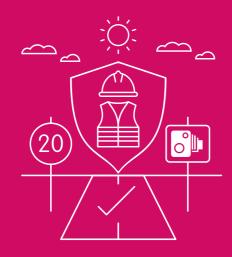
# **Ensuring Safety and Health**

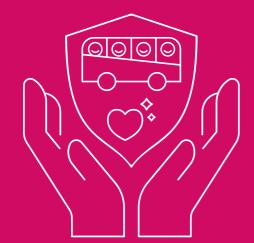
The transport system belongs to everyone, so it should be safe, reliable and responsibly managed, reflecting everybody's needs. We believe travel can benefit individual health and strengthen community connections, while minimising the environmental impacts of pollution, noise and congestion.

#### Improving road safety ~ Objective 4a

A multi-disciplinary safety approach.

Although road death and injury numbers have fallen, we still need to work hard to keep everyone safe. Our road safety partnership links the police, council and other safety professionals including fire and rescue. Together, this team improves safety through education, engineering, enforcement and community outreach. They handle everything from accident risk-spots to drink-driving to speed cameras.





# Making sure people feel safe when they travel ~ Objective 4b

Healthy, safe and peaceful journeys.

Between security worries and Covid-19, many people are reluctant to travel, especially on public transport. We want to make sure everyone feels confident making their journeys. Thoughtful design and management of public spaces and crime reduction on the transport network will help achieve this. We'll also make sure public spaces are open and welcoming, and car parking is secure, night and day.



# Fighting the effects of air, noise and light pollution ~ Objective 4c

# Minimising health and environmental damage.

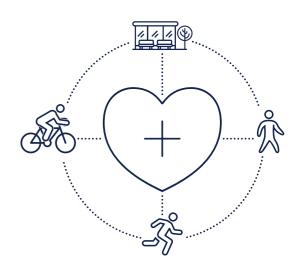
Traffic pollution, especially from petrol and diesel engines, can cause serious health problems and environmental damage. Noise and light pollution from transport also take a toll on our mental and physical health. To combat this, we'll factor pollution reduction into maintenance work and new development planning, especially in the densely populated areas that are worst affected by air pollution.



# Boosting health through active travel ~ Objective 4d

#### Making active transport the natural choice.

Over the last 30 years, car use has increased and physical activity has decreased, leading to more sedentary lifestyles, road congestion and emissions. Active transport like walking, running and cycling can benefit health and the local environment. To support this, we'll make sure walking and cycle paths are well-connected to the wider transport network, and that they continue to be an investment priority.



Bringing services to people, and people to services.

Geographical isolation can limit opportunities in life, especially for younger people and those who do not drive. Better physical and digital connectivity means everyone has access to the services, skills and support they need to maximise their potential. We will support new approaches like digital programmes and apps, fixed taxi-bus routes, car clubs and community buses.





## Improving the accessibility of public transport ~ Objective 5b

Disability should not be a barrier to travel.

People with disabilities or health conditions that stop them driving may be unable to access the transport system, despite being among those who need it most. As our population ages, we need to make sure the transport network is accessible to everybody. Accessibility along routes and at interchange points, including crossings, signs and information, will support this goal.

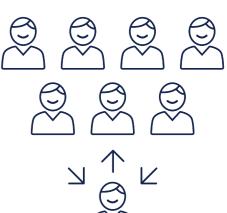


## **Enabling community** involvement in transport

~ Objective 5c

#### We will keep listening to what people need

The more we work together, the better the transport system will serve the community. We will put people, not vehicles, at the heart of transport, with the goal of making Lincolnshire a better place to live. We will connect with communities and groups to make sure our plans and projects reflect the lives of the people who live here.



# **Improving Quality of Life**

Our transport strategy is built on the principles of making places better and lives more enjoyable and fulfilled. We see the transport system as an asset that links places and people together and creates opportunities, while contributing to an attractive environment, healthy lifestyles, and a sustainable future.

#### Making better places ~ Objective 6a

#### Going beyond just getting from A to B.

Through all our planning, maintenance and investments, we will work towards making the transport system a positive influence on the places we live. Whether it means pedestrianising more areas, improving interchanges, or using sustainable, locally sourced materials, we will balance the practicalities of transport with the wider goal of making our county a healthy, happy environment for everyone.





## **Delivering on all our objectives**

~ Objective 6b

#### The whole is greater than the sum of its parts.

We've described several objectives across social, environmental, economic and future sustainability themes. When we work on them in a coordinated way, we'll see the transformation of our transport system and the people and places it connects. We will work with our partners and communities and take a lead on innovations that will help us achieve all our goals, to build an effective, sustainable transport system for the future.

#### **OUR 'SIGNIFICANT INTERVENTIONS'**

# Delivering **Transport** Investments

Delivering the Local Transport Plan will mean investing across many different areas and persuading government and the private sector to help with that investment. Through this prospectus, we've tried to share our ideas and objectives, and their potential benefits.

The following are some of our ideas for specific investments, but things aren't yet set in stone – we'd like your input to help finalise our plans. Please share your own ideas by taking part in our short survey.

Take the survey at www.letstalk.lincolnshire.gov.uk/local-transport-plan

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Nottingham - Lincoln Line:	✓ Support regional and local rail connectivity	1	a b	С	d	е		
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UK Food Valley and logistics regional connectivity	Improve access to ports,	✓ Support national and	1	а	b		d	е	
hubs for both road and rail: / Improve journey time		✓ Improve journey time reliability	2		b		d		
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improvements on A15, A16 and A17  Support priority economic sectors  4 a b c			4	а	b	С	d		
✓ Improve air quality 5 a b c		✓ Improve air quality	5	а	b				
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What We Will Do	Challenges Addressed	Supporting						
	& Benefits	Theme	0	bjectiv	/es			
	HIGHWAY TRANSPORT							
A1 upgrade:	✓ Support national connectivity	1	a b	c	d	е		
	✓ Improve journey time	2	a b	С	d			
	reliability  ✓ Improve road safety	3	a b	C	d			
	v improve road safety	4	a b	С	d			
		5	a b	С				
		6	a b					
A46 Trans Midland Trade Corridor:	✓ Support national connectivity	1	a b	С	d	е		
	✓ Improve journey time	2	a b	С	d			
Junctions North of Lincoln (RIS4)	reliability  ✓ Support priority economic sectors	3	a b	c	d			
		4	a b	С	d			
		5	a b	С				
		6	a b					
Cross Keys Bridge full	✓ Support national	1	a b	С	d	е		
replacement:	connectivity  ✓ Improve journey time reliability	2	a b	С	d			
<ul> <li>Replacement of operating system and</li> </ul>		3	a b	С				
other improvements	✓ Support priority economic sectors	4	a b	С	d			
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		6	a b					
North Hykeham Relief Road:	✓ Support national and	1	a b	С	d	е		
	regional connectivity  ✓ Improve journey time	2			d			
	reliability	3	a b	С	d			
	✓ Support priority economic sectors	4	a b	С	d			
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# **Supporting Different Transport Modes**

## **Our Modal Strategies**

As part of the Local Transport Plan, we've developed a series of Modal Strategies. These are detailed plans of how we will support travel by different transport methods:

- Walking
- Cycling
- Bus
- Passenger Rail

- Rail Infrastructure
- Electric Vehicles (& other low carbon fuels)
- Freight

You can read and comment on our modal strategies at: www.letstalk.lincolnshire.gov.uk/local-transport-plan

# **Get Involved with The Consultation**

Developing a plan for local transport involves listening and learning from a wide range of sources. We've looked at the existing Local Development Plans, data from the current transport system, and lots of other strategies and plans from across Lincolnshire. What we've found has helped us identify the six major themes you'll find in this prospectus, which tackle environmental, economic and future sustainability goals and challenges. We believe working on these themes in a coordinated way will help us transform our transport system and the people and places it serves. To bring the plans to their final stage, we need input from the communities and businesses who will use the transport system.

What do you think of the ideas we've proposed? Do you have suggestions or ideas to add? To view the full consultation draft of the Local Transport Plan and all the supporting documents, and to take the survey, go to: www.letstalk.lincolnshire.gov.uk/local-transport-plan















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