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Joint Strategy for South Hampshire



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South Hampshire Joint Strategy

This transport strategy sets out the shared approach to transport in South Hampshire to 2031. It has been developed jointly by the three Local Transport Authorities of Hampshire County Council, Portsmouth City Council and Southampton City Council, working together as [Transport for South Hampshire \(TfSH\)](#)¹.

This sub-regional strategy is also contained within the Hampshire County Council and Portsmouth City Council LTP3 documents. To help keep this joint strategy concise, it includes a number of hyperlinks, to a range of web pages where further explanation and detail is available. A brief glossary of terms has been provided.

Introduction to South Hampshire

South Hampshire is the largest urbanised area in the south of England outside London. It is home to almost one million people and encompasses the cities of Portsmouth and Southampton, and the urban centres of Eastleigh, Fareham, Gosport, Havant, Hythe, Romsey and Totton. South Hampshire covers a land area of 221 square miles (572 square kilometres). The area is composed of a rich and diverse variety of environments, with 80% of its 170 mile (275km) coastline designated, either internationally or nationally, for its nature conservation value.

The South Hampshire economy has particular strengths in the sectors of business services, advanced manufacturing, logistics, marine, aviation and creative industries, and boasts world-class Higher Education institutions. However, the TfSH area's economic performance has historically lagged behind the South East average, and whilst some areas enjoy very strong economic performance, there are some [localised pockets of deprivation](#)². Regeneration efforts are being focused on helping these deprived areas contribute more effectively to the performance of the sub-region as a whole. The [Partnership for Urban South Hampshire \(PUSH\)](#)³ is working to address this through creation of new jobs, improving workforce skills and productivity, reducing levels of economic inactivity, and active involvement in the regeneration of urban centres.

South Hampshire benefits from extensive transport links by air, road, rail and sea to the rest of the UK and beyond, shown in Figure 1 overleaf. Transport corridors in South Hampshire also provide the primary means of access from much of the UK to South East Dorset (including Bournemouth and Poole), and are the means of access to the Isle of Wight. South Hampshire contains three international gateways of vital importance to the UK economy. The [Port of Southampton](#)⁴ is the second biggest container port in the UK by throughput and the busiest passenger cruise ship port in the UK, and also is a key route for the import and export of motor vehicles and bulk goods.



Container ship at Southampton Container Terminal

The [Port of Portsmouth](#)⁵ is a substantial freight and ferry port for cross-channel services, and the adjacent Naval Base and shipyard are of great importance to the economy. [Southampton Airport](#)⁶ is the busiest airport in South Central England, serving a range of destinations across the UK, continental Europe and the Channel Islands.

¹ <http://www3.hants.gov.uk/tfsh>

² http://www.push.gov.uk/maa_draft_v_7_1a_submission_draft1_020707.pdf (see page 80)

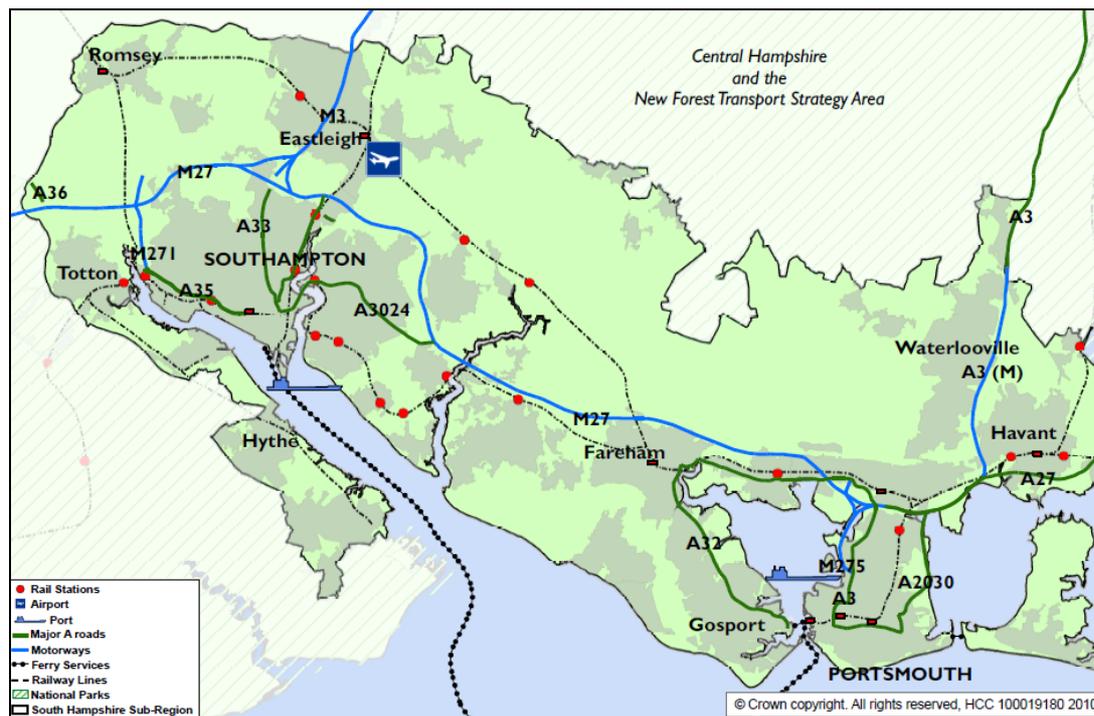
³ <http://www.push.gov.uk/>

⁴ <http://www.abports.co.uk/custinfo/ports/soton.htm>

⁵ <http://www.portsmouth-port.co.uk/>

⁶ <http://www.southamptonairport.com/>

Figure 1: Context map of the South Hampshire area



How this Joint LTP3 Strategy was developed

The three Local Transport Authorities (LTAs) of Hampshire County Council, Portsmouth City Council and Southampton City Council have an established record of working together to address strategic transport issues in the South Hampshire area. The South Hampshire Joint Strategy builds on the Solent Transport Strategy which formed part of Local Transport Plans of the three LTAs for 2006-2011. This joint working was strengthened further in 2007, by the establishment of [Transport for South Hampshire \(TfSH\)](#)⁷ to plan transport improvements for the South Hampshire sub-region.

The flow diagram overleaf shows the main steps of the process through which the LTP3 Strategy was produced. The starting point was a thorough examination of all relevant legislation, policies and strategies, which informed initial consultations with elected members and key stakeholders in late 2009 to identify the key challenges facing the TfSH area. During the spring of 2010, the TfSH authorities developed a draft Strategy. This was published for consultation for a twelve-week period between July and September 2010. Following the close of consultation the Strategy was revised to take account of feedback from respondents, reflect the latest Government policy announcements and recognise the increasingly constrained funding environment. The abolition of regional government bodies, setting up of [Local Enterprise Partnerships \(LEPs\)](#)⁸ and a new focus on localism will all influence how transport improvements are planned and delivered in the future.

The Department for Transport has rationalised the number of funding streams for transport. From 2011, Local Transport Authorities will be able to submit bids for funding from the [Regional Growth Fund](#)⁹ and [Local Sustainable Transport Fund](#)¹⁰. The TfSH authorities intend to bid for resources from these new funding streams.

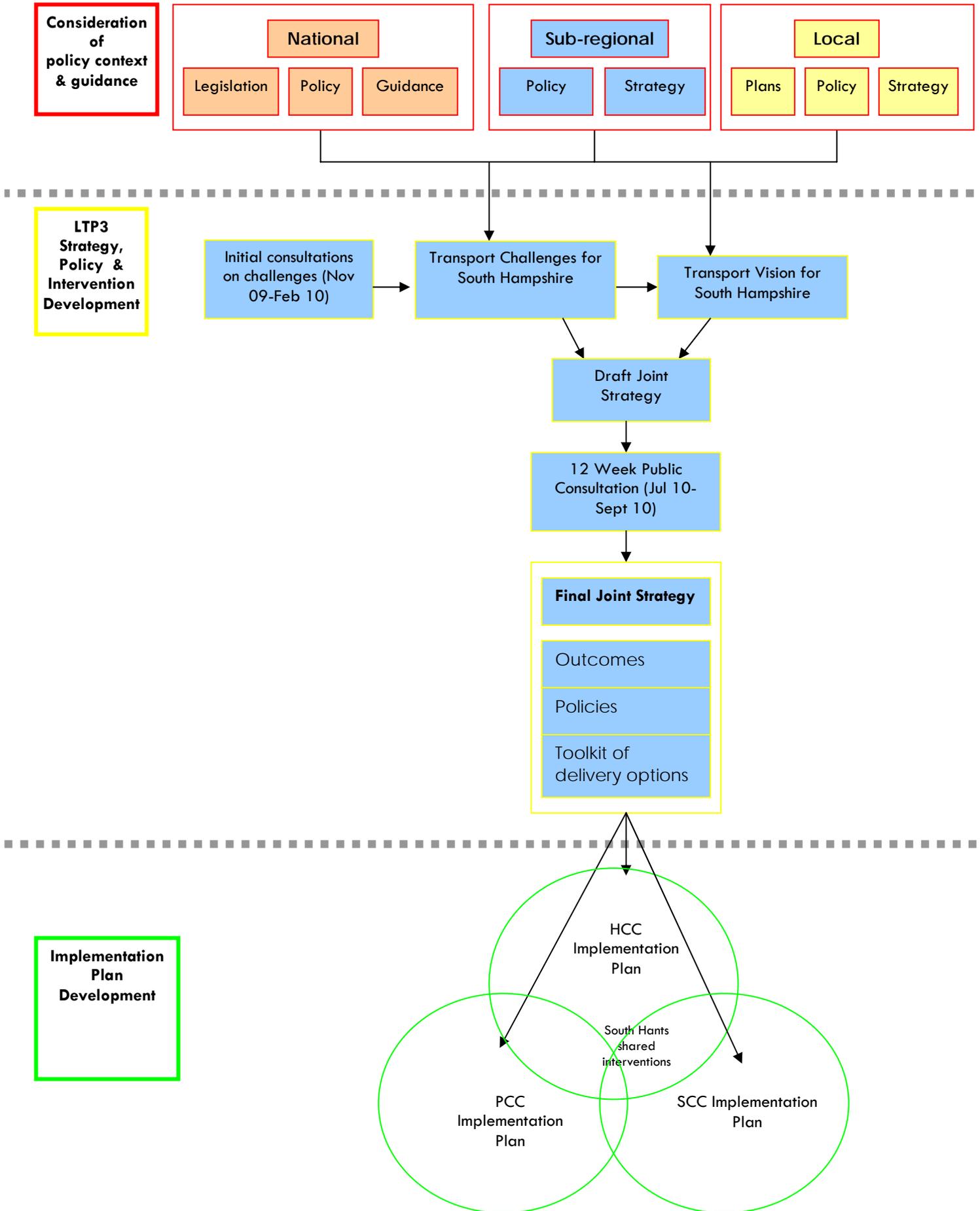
⁷ <http://www3.hants.gov.uk/tfsh>

⁸ <http://www.communities.gov.uk/localgovernment/local/localenterprisepartnerships/>

⁹ <http://www.bis.gov.uk/policies/regional-economic-development/regional-growth-fund>

¹⁰ <http://nds.coi.gov.uk/clientmicrosite/Content/Detail.aspx?ClientId=202&NewsAreaId=2&ReleaseId=415581&SubjectId=36>

Joint LTP3 South Hampshire Strategy Development Process



Policy Background

The TfSH authorities are each required to have a current Local Transport Plan as a statutory requirement of the [Local Transport Act \(2008\)](#)¹¹. The Joint Strategy has been informed by a framework of national, “sub-regional” and local policy.

The transport strategy for South Hampshire has taken into account national legislation, policy and guidance and a number of key sub-regional and local level plans and strategies, as outlined in Table 2, below. The flow diagram on the previous page illustrates how legislation and policies have informed the production of the Joint Strategy.

Table 2 – The National, sub-regional and local policy context

Level	Legislation, plan, strategy or guidance
National legislation, policy and guidance	The Stern review on the Economics of Climate Change ¹² (October 2006); The Eddington Transport Study ¹³ (December 2006); The Local Transport Act 2008 ¹⁴ ; The Climate Change Act 2008 ¹⁵ ; Delivering a Sustainable Transport System ¹⁶ , (November 2008); A Safer Way: Consultation on Making Britain's Roads the safest in the world ¹⁷ (April 2009); Guidance on Local Transport Plans ¹⁸ (July 2009); Low Carbon Transport: A Greener Future ¹⁹ (July 2009); The Coalition: Our programme for government ²⁰ (May 2010); Local Growth: realising every place's potential ²¹ (October 2010); Healthy lives, healthy people: our strategy for public health in England ²² (November 2010); Decentralisation and Localisation Bill ²³ (December 2010).
Sub-regional policies and strategies	Towards Delivery: The Transport for South Hampshire statement ²⁴ (April 2008) Transport for South Hampshire Freight Strategy ²⁵ (June 2009) Transport for South Hampshire Reduce ²⁶ and Manage Strategies (consultation drafts); The South Hampshire Agreement - Multi-Area Agreement (MAA) ²⁷ (March 2010).
Local plans, policies and strategies	Local Development Frameworks (LDFs) of local planning authorities ²⁸ ;

¹¹ http://www.opsi.gov.uk/acts/acts2008/pdf/ukpga_20080026_en.pdf

¹² http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/sternreview_index.htm

¹³ <http://www.dft.gov.uk/about/strategy/transportstrategy/eddingtonstudy/>

¹⁴ http://www.opsi.gov.uk/acts/acts2008/ukpga_20080026_en_1

¹⁵ http://www.opsi.gov.uk/acts/acts2008/ukpga_20080027_en_1

¹⁶ <http://www.dft.gov.uk/about/strategy/transportstrategy/dasts/>

¹⁷ <http://www.dft.gov.uk/consultations/closed/roadsafetyconsultation/roadsafetyconsultation.pdf>

¹⁸ <http://www.dft.gov.uk/adobepdf/165237/ltp-guidance.pdf>

¹⁹ <http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/+http://www.dft.gov.uk/pgr/sustainable/carbonreduction/low-carbon.pdf>

²⁰ http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/media/409088/pfg_coalition.pdf

²¹ <http://www.bis.gov.uk/assets/biscore/regional/docs/l/cm7961-local-growth-white-paper.pdf>

²² http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Publications/PublicationsPolicyAndGuidance/DH_121941

²³ <http://www.communities.gov.uk/localgovernment/decentralisation/localismbill/>

²⁴ <http://www3.hants.gov.uk/tfsh-towards-delivery-april-2008.pdf>

²⁵ <http://www3.hants.gov.uk/tfsh/tfsh-freight-strategy.htm>

²⁶ <http://www3.hants.gov.uk/tfsh/tfsh-what-tfsh-does/tfsh-reduce.htm>

²⁷ http://www.push.gov.uk/priorities/multi_area_agreement.htm

²⁸ - Southampton LDF: <http://www.southampton.gov.uk/s-environment/policy/developmentframework/>

- Portsmouth LDF: <http://www.portsmouth.gov.uk/living/3850.html>

- Havant LDF: <http://www.havant.gov.uk/havant-4302>

- Fareham LDF: <http://www.fareham.gov.uk/council/departments/planning/ldf/>

- Eastleigh LDF: <http://www.eastleigh.gov.uk/planning--building-control/planning-policy-and-design/planning-policies-and-design/local-development-framework.aspx>

- Gosport LDF: <http://www.gosport.gov.uk/sections/your-council/council-services/planning-section/local-development-framework/>

- East Hampshire LDF: <http://www.easthants.gov.uk/ehdc/planningpolicy.nsf/webpages/LDF>

- New Forest LDF: <http://www.newforest.gov.uk/index.cfm?articleid=6142>

- Test Valley LDF: <http://www.testvalley.gov.uk/default.aspx?page=4683>

- Winchester City Council LDF: <http://www.winchester.gov.uk/Business/Planning/LocalDevelopmentFramework/>

Level	Legislation, plan, strategy or guidance
Local plans, policies and strategies(cont)	Hampshire County Council's Draft Economic Assessment ²⁹ (final version due April 2011); Existing and emerging Local Authority Economic Development Strategies for PUSH ³⁰ , Hampshire, Portsmouth & Southampton The Sustainable Community Strategies of Hampshire ³¹ , Portsmouth ³² and Southampton ³³ ; Corporate strategy of Hampshire ³⁴ , and Corporate Plans of Portsmouth ³⁵ and Southampton ³⁶ ; Children and Young Peoples Plans of Hampshire ³⁷ , Portsmouth ³⁸ and Southampton ³⁹ .
Infrastructure-related plans	Port of Southampton Master Plan ⁴⁰ Southampton Airport Master Plan ⁴¹ South West Main Line Route Utilisation Strategy (RUS) ⁴² Freight Route Utilisation Strategy (RUS) ⁴³ Strategic Freight Network(Network Rail/ DfT) ⁴⁴

No reference has been made in the policy table to the regional level, as this tier of planning has been abolished by the coalition government and is set to be replaced by a National Planning Framework. An increased focus on decentralisation and localism will mean more powers are devolved to a more local level. Regional Development Agencies are set to be replaced by [Local Enterprise Partnerships \(LEPs\)](#)⁴⁵. A [Solent LEP](#)⁴⁶ covering the PUSH area and the Isle of Wight was announced in October 2010 as being one of twenty four LEP proposals across England that met the requirements of the Government, and was given the go-ahead to be formally established.

²⁹ http://www3.hants.gov.uk/business/economic_data/economicassessment.htm

³⁰ http://www.push.gov.uk/ed_strategy.pdf

³¹ http://www3.hants.gov.uk/73496_sustain_communities_2.pdf

³² http://www.portsmouth.gov.uk/media/CPT_Strategy_Vision_-_aspirations.pdf

³³ http://www.southampton-partnership.com/images/City%20of%20Southampton%20Strat_tcm23-196707_tcm23-249613.pdf

³⁴ <http://www3.hants.gov.uk/corporatestrategy>

³⁵ [http://www.portsmouth.gov.uk/media/Corporate_Plan_2008_Final_30_July_08_\(low_res\)_web.pdf](http://www.portsmouth.gov.uk/media/Corporate_Plan_2008_Final_30_July_08_(low_res)_web.pdf)

³⁶ <http://www.southampton.gov.uk/modernGov/mgConvert2PDF.aspx?ID=2461>

³⁷ <http://www3.hants.gov.uk/cypp-forweb.pdf>

³⁸ http://www.portsmouth-learning.net/pln/custom/files_uploaded/uploaded_resources/2617/PORTSMOUTH_CYPP_2009-2011.pdf

³⁹ https://www.southampton.gov.uk/Images/3%2009%2021309%20CYPP%20FINAL%20PRINT_tcm46-233296.pdf

⁴⁰ <http://www.southamptonvts.co.uk/portconsultation/files/SMP.pdf>

⁴¹ http://www.southamptonairport.com/assets/Internet/Southampton/Southampton%20downloads/Static%20Files/Southampton_masterplan_final.pdf

⁴² <http://www.networkrail.co.uk/browse%20documents/rus%20documents/route%20utilisation%20strategies/south%20west%20main%20line/37299%20swml%20rus.pdf>

⁴³ <http://www.networkrail.co.uk/browse%20documents/rus%20documents/route%20utilisation%20strategies/freight/freight%20rus.pdf>

⁴⁴ <http://www.dft.gov.uk/pgr/rail/strategyfinance/strategy/freightnetwork/strategicfreightnetwork.pdf>

⁴⁵ <http://www.communities.gov.uk/localgovernment/local/localenterprisepartnerships/>

⁴⁶ <http://www.push.gov.uk/news?id=9044&stdate=&pagetitle=Solent%20Local%20Enterprise%20Partnership%20gets%20go-ahead>

Transport Vision for South Hampshire

Transport is an enabler of activity, allowing people to access a wealth of opportunities for work, education and leisure.

The movement of people and goods in efficient and sustainable ways helps to support the South Hampshire economy. It protects, preserves and enhances the environment, can reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and contributes to a sense of place.

In addition, this also delivers against a wider range of local and national objectives, delivering improvements in health, quality of life, equality of opportunity, safety and security.

The vision of the TfSH authorities is to create:

"A resilient, cost effective, fully-integrated sub-regional transport network, enabling economic growth whilst protecting and enhancing health, quality of life and environment"

This vision will be delivered through the set of fourteen transport policies detailed within this document.

To successfully deliver the TfSH authorities' vision for transport in South Hampshire, there are seven key challenges that need to be tackled.



The Spinnaker Tower and Gunwharf Quays are popular destinations located adjacent to Portsmouth Harbour station and The Hard bus interchange

Challenges facing South Hampshire

The TfSH authorities have identified seven challenges as being significant issues that the transport strategy must address. These are set out in Table 3 below. The challenges are not listed in any order of importance.

Table 3 - Challenges facing the South Hampshire Area

Challenge	Background
<p>Securing funding to deliver transport improvements during what is expected to be a prolonged period of public-sector spending restraint.</p>	<p>Short-term funding for investment in transport will be extremely limited. Developer contributions are important sources of funding for essential transport infrastructure to support economic growth, and have become increasingly important in the current funding climate.</p> <p>In addition, the TfSH authorities need to work more closely with partners to identify and maximise use of alternative funding sources, including the Regional Growth Fund, and Local Sustainable Transport Fund, which will allocate resources through competitive bidding, and give consideration to Tax Increment Financing (TIF).</p>
<p>Ensuring the timely delivery of transport infrastructure to support housing and employment growth and regeneration opportunities.</p>	<p>Improvements to the transport system will be necessary in order to support growth identified within Local Development Frameworks and the associated additional trips.</p> <p>The TfSH authorities aim to accommodate these additional trips through sustainable modes wherever possible. Investment in sustainable modes will also encourage modal shift within existing trips. There are also local requirements for critical infrastructure to unlock and facilitate some planned development.</p> <p>The Government is set to establish a New Homes Bonus to reward local authorities that support new housing. It is also going to enable Local Planning Authorities (LPAs) to establish a Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL). This will serve as a funding mechanism to raise money from developers to fund development-related infrastructure in their area, as an alternative to the current arrangements. Whilst Portsmouth and Southampton City Councils are LPAs, Hampshire County Council is not, so this could affect its' ability to fund transport infrastructure.</p>
<p>Ensuring continued reliable transport access to the TfSH area's international gateway ports and airport.</p>	<p>The international gateway ports of Portsmouth and Southampton and the airport at Southampton rely on good access for both passengers and freight.</p> <p>In the medium to longer term, forecast growth in volumes of passenger and freight traffic originating from all three international gateways will be catered for by targeted investment to improve journey time reliability on strategic transport corridors. Rail will play an increasingly significant role, requiring both investment in new rolling stock and enhanced rail infrastructure.</p>

Challenge	Background
<p>Maintaining the existing transport network and its resilience to the effects of extreme weather events.</p>	<p>Climate change is expected to result in more unpredictable weather patterns including warmer, wetter winters and hotter, drier summers and more severe weather events. This will require changes in approaches to highway design, maintenance and assessment.</p> <p>The physical highway infrastructure deteriorates with age and use. Regular maintenance is required to ensure that it meets the needs of users of the highway network and enables the safe movement of people and goods by road.</p> <p>In a challenging funding climate, there is a need to ensure that value for money is maximised from investment in maintenance.</p>
<p>Widening travel choice to offer people reasonable alternatives to the private car for everyday journeys, and reducing the need to travel, moving towards a low-carbon economy.</p>	<p>The complex nature of journey patterns and travel to work across the sub-region has resulted in heavy reliance on the private car. To reduce this, there needs to be significant improvements in quality and affordability of public transport networks that are controlled by private operators.</p> <p>Walking and cycling must be encouraged as a more viable option for shorter journeys. The promotion of travel planning, flexible working and car sharing will be further developed. Car ownership levels tend to be lower in deprived areas and so these communities are more reliant upon public transport to access jobs and services. In rural areas it is often not possible to run bus services on a commercial basis, so lower-cost alternatives such as shared taxis need to be considered.</p>
<p>Managing the existing transport network to ensure that journey time reliability is maintained and improved to help support economic competitiveness, regeneration, and growth.</p>	<p>Traffic levels are forecast to grow due to background increases in car journeys and trips generated by new developments.</p> <p>There will be a need to mitigate the impact of this forecast growth in travel, to ensure that the sub-region continues to be an attractive place to live and work, and to support the economy by safeguarding reliable access to the international gateways and employment sites.</p>
<p>Mitigating the adverse impacts of transport activity on people, communities and habitats.</p>	<p>Whilst transport is an essential enabler of activity, the movement of people and goods can result in adverse effects on the environment and communities. Transport activity is a major contributor to emissions of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases. Climate change is expected to result in more unpredictable weather patterns and increased risk of coastal flooding. Air quality and noise from transport are harmful to the health and wellbeing of communities. Transport corridors can also cause severance of communities and habitats. The South Hampshire sub-region contains a number of sites of high environmental value and importance.</p>

Transport Outcomes

In order to deliver the transport vision for South Hampshire, the TfSH authorities have identified seven key outcomes, which are complementary to the corporate priorities of Hampshire, Portsmouth and Southampton. These outcomes define the policy framework for delivery. All of the seven outcomes are closely inter-linked and inter-dependent. Addressing one outcome may help address other outcomes. Table 4 below details the outcomes and how they contribute to the policies. The challenges are not listed in any order of priority.

Table 4 – Outcomes that this Joint Strategy is seeking to achieve

Outcome	Policies that contribute
Reduced dependence on the private car through an increased number of people choosing public transport and the 'active travel' modes of walking and cycling	H, I, J, K, L
Improved awareness of the different travel options available to people for their journeys, enabling informed choices about whether people travel, and how	H, I, J, L
Improved journey time reliability ⁴⁷ for all modes	A, B, C, D, F, I
Improved road safety within the sub-region	D, G
Improved accessibility ⁴⁸ within and beyond the sub-region	B, I, K, L, M, N
Improved air quality and environment, and reduced greenhouse gas emissions	E, F, H, K
Promoting a higher quality of life	C, D, E, G, H, I, L, M

Transport policies

The 14 policies that follow (Policies A to N) set out the policy framework through which the TfSH authorities will seek to address the challenges. The philosophy of [Reduce-Manage-Invest](#)⁴⁹ is central for each proposed policy. This means the TfSH authorities will work to reduce the need to travel, maximise the use of existing transport infrastructure and deliver targeted improvements. A combined approach to delivering the policies will enable us to deliver the proposed transport vision, address the challenges and achieve the outcomes set out above. The policies constitute a package, with each policy contributing to, and complementing, the others. For each policy there is a toolkit of delivery options, from which each Local Transport Authorities will select the most appropriate for inclusion within their future Implementation Plans. Many of these delivery options will be common to each authority.

⁴⁷ <http://www.highways.gov.uk/business/19073.aspx>

⁴⁸ <http://www.dft.gov.uk/pgr/regional/ltp/accessibility/guidance/gap/accessibilityplanningguidanc3634>

⁴⁹ <http://www3.hants.gov.uk/tfsh/tfsh-meetings-reports-publications/tfsh-towards-delivery-executive-summary.htm>

Policy A: To develop transport improvements that support sustainable economic growth and development within South Hampshire

<p>Why?</p>	<p>The transport network plays a vital role in supporting the economic prosperity of South Hampshire by ensuring people can go about their day to day activities of journeys to work, training, shopping, leisure and recreation. A well-functioning transport system enables people and goods to be moved sustainably, efficiently and reliably. Unpredictability of journey times and congestion increases costs to businesses and results in wasted time (and therefore money).</p> <p>New development brings with it additional demand for travel. It is essential that transport infrastructure in the vicinity of development sites is improved where necessary to support sustainable access to and from new developments.</p>
<p>How?</p>	<p>The TfSH authorities will develop closer partnerships and dialogue with businesses to ensure that transport improvements are geared towards improving economic prosperity and helping to unlock planned development sites. Part of this dialogue will involve encouraging businesses to contribute through match funding towards the cost of innovative transport improvements and solutions that would benefit them.</p>
<p>Delivery options</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engage closely with the Solent Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) and business on transport issues; • Explore the potential of Tax Increment Financing (TIF) to help fund transport improvements; • Work with business sector to explore opportunities for sponsorship and match funding by commercial partners for schemes.
<p>Outcomes</p>	<p>This policy will contribute to the following outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved journey time reliability⁵⁰ for all modes



Rail plays an important role in the onward movement of deep Sea containers to and from the Port of Southampton, helping to reduce the number of lorry movements

Provision of offices in accessible locations helps to encourage access by sustainable travel modes

⁵⁰ <http://www.highways.gov.uk/business/19073.aspx>

Policy B: Work with the Highways Agency, Network Rail, ports and airports to ensure reliable access to and from South Hampshire's three international gateways for people and freight

Why?	The three international gateways serve a large hinterland. Making sure that people and goods can flow easily and reliably to and from these gateways will maximise their contribution to the wealth and health of the wider UK economy. The economic success of South Hampshire depends on maintaining or improving levels of journey time reliability on strategic road and rail corridors. Cross-Solent ferry services from both gateway ports provide vital access to the Isle of Wight.
How?	Decisions regarding investment in strategic transport corridors are taken by central Government using national budgets. The TfSH authorities will seek to influence investment decisions at national level, to ensure timely investment that will enable the best use to be made of existing transport infrastructure, and deliver new infrastructure or capacity where most needed to improve journey time reliability. The TfSH authorities will work to encourage a greater share of onward movement of container freight traffic is catered for by rail.
Delivery options	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investigate the potential for Hard shoulder running⁵¹ and variable speed limits⁵² on the busiest sections of motorway; • Traffic lights at the busiest motorway onslips⁵³ to improve traffic flow; • Work towards a joint traffic control and information centre⁵⁴ and other partnership measures; • Improvements to quality and availability of travel information; • Continued develop of initiatives by South Hampshire Freight Quality Partnership; • Encourage port operators to develop Port Traffic Management Plans; • Ensure that appropriate infrastructure is considered to facilitate reliable access to and from Southampton International Airport; • Support measures to enable movement of more freight by rail.
Outcomes	<p>This policy will contribute to the following outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved journey time reliability for all modes; and • Improved accessibility within and beyond the sub-region.



Portsmouth is an important cross-channel ferry port with a large Naval Base and ferries to the Isle of Wight



Southampton Airport serves a range of international destinations

⁵¹ <http://www.highways.gov.uk/roads/projects/22988.aspx>

⁵² <http://www.highways.gov.uk/news/25754.aspx>

⁵³ <http://www.highways.gov.uk/knowledge/17308.aspx>

⁵⁴ <http://www.romanse.org.uk/theteam.htm>

Policy C: To optimise the capacity of the highway network and improve journey time reliability for all modes

Why?	Increasing levels of congestion affect both the operation of strategic linkages which are often already at capacity, and journey time reliability, impacting on economic productivity across the sub-region.
How?	The TfSH authorities will work to better manage the existing highway network to ensure that existing capacity is optimised and used efficiently. This policy will maximise the throughput of the highway network for all users and modes. This will entail using traffic signal control and other highway technologies, helping to improve network management, and greater priority for buses. This will help to improve journey time reliability for all forms of travel and contribute to modal shift. Real-time traffic and travel information will be gathered and disseminated through a variety of sources and systems in a timely, efficient manner to enable people to make informed decisions about their travel choices.
Delivery options	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upgrading and enhancing Urban Traffic Control systems⁵⁵ enabling bus priority and Real Time Passenger Information provision; • Improved road network monitoring and operation (for example junction improvements and re-allocation of road space); • Pre- and in-journey travel Information (using static⁵⁶ and mobile⁵⁷ media); • Improvements to Information Systems on the local highway network (e.g. Variable Message Signing); • Car Park Guidance Systems; • High Occupancy Vehicle⁵⁸ (HOV) Lanes; and • Investigating the removal of traffic lights at specific locations where evidence suggests that this would improve journey time reliability.
Outcomes	<p>This policy will contribute to the following outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved journey time reliability for all modes; and • Promoting a higher quality of life.



Traffic on the A3(M) towards Portsmouth

⁵⁵ <http://utmc.uk.com/index.php>

⁵⁶ <http://www.romanse.org.uk/technologies/VMS.htm>

⁵⁷ <http://www.romanse.org.uk/technologies/mobiledevices.htm>

⁵⁸ http://www.konsult.leeds.ac.uk/private/level2/instruments/instrument029/12_029summ.htm

Policy D: To achieve and sustain a high-quality, resilient and well-maintained highway network for all

<p>Why?</p>	<p>Physical highway infrastructure deteriorates with use and age and as a result requires regular maintenance to ensure that it meets the needs of users and provides for the safe movement of people and goods. The economy of the sub-region and well-being of its residents depends on having a well-maintained highway network that can cater for journeys. The effects of climate change will require the highway network to be more resilient to extreme weather conditions. Additionally, through improvements to street lighting, energy efficiency can be increased, which alongside recycling of highway materials and other methods will help reduce the carbon footprint of maintenance and operation of the highway.</p>
<p>How?</p>	<p>Each Local Transport Authority will tailor the delivery of highway maintenance to the particular needs of their own areas. Each authority has its own arrangements with highway maintenance contractors. However, as a general rule, investment in highway maintenance will be targeted where it is needed to ensure value for money whilst protecting and enhancing the condition of the network, so that it is better placed to cope with more extreme weather events and factoring in the “whole life costs” of highway assets.</p>
<p>Delivery options</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transport Asset Management Plans; • Improved maintenance and energy efficiency of street lighting and traffic control systems; • Improved co-ordination of street works; • Improvements to highway drainage to better cope with heavy rainfall (for example Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems⁵⁹); • Delivery of maintenance programmes for roads, bridges, pavements and cycle paths through highway maintenance contracts; • Maximising the recycling of highway construction materials.
<p>Outcomes</p>	<p>This policy will contribute to the following outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved journey time reliability for all modes; • Improved road safety within the sub-region; and • Promoting a higher quality of life.



Resilient networks - keeping South Hampshire’s roads open during wintry conditions ensured that people could get to work and goods and freight could continue to be moved

⁵⁹ <http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/business/sectors/36998.aspx>

Policy E: To deliver improvements in air quality

<p>Why?</p>	<p>Congestion creates higher levels of air pollution as queuing traffic, especially in more restricted or confined spaces, generates higher concentrations of vehicle emissions. Poor air quality can create or exacerbate health and respiratory problems, for example asthma. Air Quality Management Areas (AQMAs) are places where pollutant levels exceed government thresholds. Twenty Air Quality Management Areas (AQMAs) have been identified within urban areas across the sub-region. The recent white paper on Public Health⁶⁰ indicates that by April 2013, unitary authorities and county councils will be given funding and responsibility for improving public health.</p>
<p>How?</p>	<p>The TfSH authorities will work with key partners, environmental health professionals and transport operators to mitigate the impacts of traffic on air quality. The principal causes of poor air quality will be addressed by implementing a strategic area-wide approach within each urban centre to minimise the cumulative effect of road transport emissions. This can be achieved through measures promoting modal shift towards public transport modes, walking and cycling, reducing single occupancy car journeys. Tackling congestion at hotspots can also improve air quality.</p>
<p>Delivery options</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air Quality Management Areas⁶¹ and Air Quality Action Plans; • Promotion of cleaner, greener vehicle technologies e.g. alternative fuels; • Car Share Schemes⁶²; • Support for Car clubs⁶³ and similar schemes;
<p>Outcomes</p>	<p>This policy will contribute to the following outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved air quality and environment, and reduced greenhouse gas emissions; and • Promoting a higher quality of life.



Traffic congestion is a significant contributor to poor air quality

⁶⁰ http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Publications/PublicationsPolicyAndGuidance/DH_121941

⁶¹ <http://www.airquality.co.uk/laqm/information.php?info=aqma>

⁶² <https://hants.liftshare.com/default.asp>

⁶³ <http://www.carplus.org.uk/car-clubs/benefits>

Policy F: To develop strategic sub-regional approaches to management of parking to support sustainable travel and promote economic development

Why?	The cost and availability of parking has considerable influence on travel choices and if not managed in a co-ordinated manner can act as a barrier to efforts to widen travel choice. If insufficient parking is provided or if prices are considered high, then parking can be displaced into residential areas further out from town centres. Provision of free staff workplace parking makes it less likely for people to choose to use alternative travel methods.
How?	The TfSH authorities will encourage better co-ordination between local authorities with responsibilities for car parking to improve the way existing parking is used and priced. Discounts can be offered to encourage car sharing, low-emission vehicles, mopeds and motorcycles. Park and ride sites offering lower cost parking than in urban centres can help reduce congestion and address poor air quality in the centres. It is important that parking management measures are implemented alongside improvements to sustainable travel modes to help increase the attractiveness and viability of these alternatives over private car trips, to support widening travel choice.
Delivery options	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop complementary policy approaches to parking; • Controlled Parking Zones; • Improved management and supply of residential parking; • Extended ‘park and ride’ network (both bus and rail based systems); • Improved parking at well-used commuter railway stations; • Car park management and guidance systems; • Workplace travel planning⁶⁴; • Appropriate consideration of the needs of blue badge holders; • Ensure appropriate parking provision for motorcycles and mopeds • Enable and manage deliveries to and servicing of shops, offices and industrial units; • Investigation into appropriate parking provision for commercial vehicles • Introduce and develop car clubs⁶⁵; • Provision of electric vehicle charging points within car parks.
Outcomes	<p>This policy will contribute to the following outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved journey time reliability for all modes; and • Improved air quality and environment, and reduced greenhouse gas emissions.



⁶⁴ <http://www.dft.gov.uk/pgr/sustainable/travelplans>

⁶⁵ <http://www.carplus.org.uk/car-clubs/benefits>

Policy G: To improve road safety across the sub-region	
Why?	Road traffic collisions, as well as causing death, injury and distress to those involved, also result in wider costs to society in terms of the cost of providing healthcare treatment to those injured, and loss of productivity. Road traffic incidents create tailbacks and delays that adversely affect journey time reliability within the sub-region.
How?	Work to date has been effective at reducing incidences of speeding and unsafe road-user behaviour through education, engineering measures at sites with high casualty records and enforcement of speed limits. Reductions in speed limits and crossing improvements within built up areas have further improved the safety of vulnerable road users.
Delivery options	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speed Management⁶⁶ measures; • Actively consider wider implementation of 20mph speed limits/ zones within residential areas; • Traffic Management measures; • Safer Routes to schools⁶⁷ schemes; • Road Safety education and training to improve road user behaviour.
Outcomes	<p>This policy will contribute to the following outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved road safety within the sub-region; and • Promoting a higher quality of life.

Policy H: To promote active travel modes and develop supporting infrastructure	
Why?	Encouraging and making it easier for people to choose to walk or cycle for everyday journeys helps people to build physical activity into their routines, improving health and general well-being. Increasing the number of journeys undertaken by active travel modes will help to tackle obesity, reduce congestion and improve air quality.
How?	The TfSH authorities will work with health and activity partners, including public health teams, to develop a network of high-quality, direct, safe routes targeted at pedestrians and cyclists. Well-designed routes and secure cycle parking can be partly delivered through the planning system. Pro-active marketing and participative events will radically increase the profile and understanding of the benefits of active travel.
Delivery options	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Legible South Hampshire project to provide integrated, high-quality information for public transport, walking and cycling; • Delivery of comprehensive walking and cycling networks (which could form part of a proposed 'Green Grid' – refer to glossary for more detail); • Delivery of walking and cycling measures identified within Town Access Plans and District Statements; • Crossing improvements for pedestrians and cyclists; • Cycle hire scheme for urban centres; • Delivery of improved secure cycle parking facilities at key destinations; and • Support for the delivery of measures contained within Rights of Way Improvement Plans (ROWIPS).
Outcomes	<p>This policy will contribute to the following outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduced dependence on the private car through an increased number of people choosing public transport and the 'active travel' modes of walking and cycling; • Improved awareness of the different travel options available to people for their journeys, enabling informed choices about whether people travel, and how; • Improved air quality and environment, and reduced greenhouse gas emissions; and • Promoting a higher quality of life.

⁶⁶ <http://www.roadsafe.com/programmes/speed.aspx>

⁶⁷ <http://www.portsmouth.gov.uk/living/649.html>

Policy I: To encourage private investment in bus, taxi and community transport solutions, and where practical, better infrastructure and services

<p>Why?</p>	<p>Improving the quality of public transport will widen travel choice, giving a viable alternative to the private car for certain everyday journeys such as those to work, shops, education, health and leisure facilities. For those without access to a car, buses and taxis are often the only realistic travel option for journeys to access goods and services. The large majority of bus services in South Hampshire are provided on a commercial basis by privately-owned operators. This means that the TfSH authorities must work with these operators in order to encourage provision of better bus services. As new jobs are created, more people will wish to access the city centres of Southampton and Portsmouth and it is essential that a good quality bus service is provided along main corridors. This will accommodate growth whilst reducing the overall carbon footprint of transport, and prevent deterioration of journey time reliability on main routes into urban centres.</p>
<p>How?</p>	<p>The TfSH authorities will work closely with commercial bus operators to help them plan and deliver service improvements and develop Bus Rapid Transit on a number of key corridors. This will help improve the reliability and attractiveness of bus services, making them a more viable alternative to the private car, with accurate and up-to-date information on how services are running. Taking advantage of advances in ticketing technology such as smartcards (already being introduced by some bus operators across their networks) will improve the affordability, convenience and attractiveness of buses. Management of taxi operators, and support for the voluntary sector in their provision of community transport services helps to meet transport needs that cannot easily be met by bus services.</p>
<p>Delivery options</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of a Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) network⁶⁸ and other innovative public transport solutions between main centres; • Bus Priority measures; • Development of a comprehensive premium urban bus network offering high frequency services using high-quality vehicles; • Improved strategic interchanges and high quality bus stop Infrastructure; • Delivery of public transport measures identified within Town Access Plans and District Statements; • Park and ride network; • Improved travel information in user-friendly formats; • Measures to support taxi services such as suitably located taxi ranks; • Improved ticketing solutions, including smartcards and ticket purchase via mobile phones; • Support for Community Transport services.
<p>Outcomes</p>	<p>This policy will contribute to the following outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduced dependence on the private car through an increased number of people choosing public transport and the ‘active travel’ modes of walking and cycling; • Improved awareness of the different travel options available to people for their journeys, enabling informed choices about whether people travel, and how; • Improved journey time reliability for all modes; • Improved accessibility within and beyond the sub-region; and • Promoting a higher quality of life.

The A3 ZIP bus priority corridor links Clanfield with Portsmouth

⁶⁸ <http://www3.hants.gov.uk/tfsh/bus-rapid-transit.htm>



Policy J: To further develop the role of water-borne transport within the TfSH area and across the Solent

<p>Why?</p>	<p>The TfSH area already has a good network of ferry services, connecting coastal settlements. In addition, cross-Solent ferry services from both gateway ports provide vital access to the Isle of Wight for passengers and freight. Enhancing the integration between water-borne transport and other sustainable travel modes through improved interchanges will help widen travel choice and reduce peak hour congestion.</p>
<p>How?</p>	<p>The TfSH authorities will work to improve the quality of bus, taxi and cycle interchange facilities and information at ferry terminals, particularly at Town Quay in Southampton, The Hard in Portsmouth and Gosport.</p>
<p>Delivery options</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of improved transport interchange facilities for buses and taxis at ferry terminals; • Improved ticketing solutions, including smartcards and ticket purchase via mobile phones; • Ongoing dialogue with ferry operators to encourage delivery of passenger improvements; • Provision of secure cycle parking in the vicinity of ferry terminals; • Support for port operators in their aspirations to increase freight moved by short-sea shipping.
<p>Outcomes</p>	<p>This policy will contribute to the following outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduced dependence on the private car through an increased number of people choosing public transport and the ‘active travel’ modes of walking and cycling; and • Improved awareness of the different travel options available to people for their journeys, enabling informed choices about whether people travel, and how.



Cross-Solent and local ferry services play an important role in meeting travel needs in coastal areas of the South Hampshire area

Policy K: To work with rail operators to deliver improvements to station facilities and, where practical, better infrastructure and services for people and freight

<p>Why?</p>	<p>The rail network in South Hampshire is of strategic importance for both passengers and freight. There is potential to grow the modal share of rail for passenger and freight movements both within and beyond the TfSH area. This policy will seek to bring about a greater role for rail for local journeys within the area. Targeted improvements to rail can help this mode provide an attractive alternative to the car for peak hour commuter journeys to major employment areas.</p>
<p>How?</p>	<p>The TfSH authorities will work with the rail industry to encourage investment in improved station facilities, enhanced interchange facilities at main rail stations , and rail infrastructure such as track capacity, to make rail a more attractive option. Further investment in train services is also needed. The TfSH Rail Communications Protocol will be used to take forward improvements to the South Hampshire rail network, ensuring that more passengers and freight are carried by rail, and to improve rail service frequencies.</p>
<p>Delivery options</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote measures which will enable more freight to be moved by rail; • Re-opening freight-only lines for passenger use (such as the Waterside line between Totton and Hythe); • Improving rail access to Southampton Airport from the east and west; • Increasing capacity on the rail route between Eastleigh and Fareham; • Improved station and key city centre interchange facilities; • Improved cycle and car parking at well-used commuter railway stations; • Investigation of opportunities for park and ride using railway stations; • Working with train operators to deliver station travel plans; • Further development of Community Rail Partnerships⁶⁹ (CRPs); • Improved capacity for cycles, wheelchairs and pushchairs on trains; • Use of rolling stock suitable for the type of route across the network; • Exploring the feasibility of options for light rail in South Hampshire.
<p>Outcomes</p>	<p>This policy will contribute to the following outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduced dependence on the private car through an increased number of people choosing public transport and the ‘active travel’ modes of walking and cycling; • Improved accessibility within and beyond the sub-region; and • Improved air quality and environment, and reduced greenhouse gas emissions.



A new accessible footbridge with lifts was completed at Southampton Airport Parkway station in 2009 as shown here (new footbridges were also installed at Fareham and Fratton)

⁶⁹ <http://www.acorp.uk.com/Values%20of%20CPR's%20project.html>

Policy L: To work with Local Planning Authorities to integrate planning and transport	
Why?	The location, scale, density and design of new development and the mix of land uses has a significant influence on the demand for travel. Encouraging development on brownfield sites close to existing shops and services, and supporting higher-density, mixed-use development, helps to reduce the need to travel and the length of journeys, and make it easier for people to walk, cycle or use public transport.
How?	The TfSH authorities will work with Local Planning Authorities across the area to encourage higher density and mixed-use developments to be located within main urban centres, in locations that are easily accessible by a range of travel methods. Planning authorities will be encouraged to locate new housing and employment development within close proximity. This will help reduce the need to travel and encourage the use of sustainable travel modes, thereby improving health and reducing carbon emissions. Good design of residential developments will ensure that key services are provided locally and that neighbourhoods are walkable, with good cycle and public transport links to nearby urban centres. Residential and workplace travel planning will be used to effectively manage the journeys created with development.
Delivery options	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The current and emerging Local Planning Authorities' Local Development Frameworks (LDF) infrastructure delivery plans will be developed alongside the Implementation Plan sections of the Hampshire, Portsmouth and Southampton Local Transport Plans; • Seeking developer contributions from new development to mitigate the impact of new development on existing transport networks; • Residential and workplace travel planning⁷⁰;
Outcomes	<p>This policy will contribute to the following outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduced dependence on the private car through an increased number of people choosing public transport and the 'active travel' modes of walking and cycling; • Improved awareness of the different travel options available to people for their journeys, enabling informed choices about whether people travel, and how; • Improved accessibility within and beyond the sub-region; and • Promoting a higher quality of life.

Policy M: To develop and deliver high-quality public realm improvements	
Why?	The quality of streetscape can have a big influence on the vibrancy of a place and the way people use streets. Place-making initiatives and the development of 'Naked Streets' will provide a better setting for people friendly activity, providing a more user-friendly public realm for pedestrians, vulnerable road users and cyclists. Public Realm improvements using high-quality materials, where affordable and practical, will add to the character, feel and ownership of local places.
How?	Within cities, town and district centres, the TfSH authorities will reduce street clutter and make streetscape improvements using high-quality materials and street furniture to enhance the public realm and its accessibility.
Delivery options	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reducing street clutter (such as pedestrian guard railing); • Streetscape enhancements (including lighting, paving, planting, and street furniture); • Delivering improvements that follow the design principles set out in current design guidance and informed by examples of best practice.
Outcomes	<p>This policy will contribute to the following outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved accessibility within and beyond the sub-region; and • Promoting a higher quality of life.

⁷⁰ <http://www.dft.gov.uk/pgr/sustainable/travelplans/work/>

Policy N: To safeguard and enable the future delivery of transport improvements within the TfSH area

Why?	A limited number of targeted highway and rail improvements have been identified which would serve to address problems of localised congestion, unlock development sites with highway access problems and tackle adverse impacts of traffic on quality of life in communities.
How?	Delivery of major schemes for highway improvements is dependent on funding decisions by Government and external contributors. The TfSH authorities will safeguard the routes of proposed highway improvements and continue to work with these agencies to secure funding for these schemes.
Delivery options	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safeguarding of proposed strategic routes, such as the Botley Bypass and Western Access to Gosport, where heavy volumes of traffic through local communities cause problems of severance, noise and poor air quality; • Safeguarding land to enable developer-led access solutions to unlock Dunsbury Hill Farm and Eastleigh River Side for new employment uses; • Enabling developer-led road improvements to facilitate access to planned major development areas (such as North Whiteley); • Safeguarding land for developing a new motorway junction on the M275 serving Tipner, Portsmouth; • Investigating feasibility for provision of a bridge link from Tipner to Horsea Island (for all modes); and • Safeguarding land for new railway stations at certain locations, for example Farlington.
Outcomes	<p>This policy will contribute to the following outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved accessibility within and beyond the sub-region.



Large areas of planned development may require investment in new highway and public transport infrastructure to unlock sites

Glossary of Terms

Acronym/ Common Term	Full Title	Explanation
AONB	Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty	An Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) is an area of countryside considered to have significant landscape value that has been specially designated by the Countryside Agency (now Natural England) on behalf of the Government.
AQMA	Air Quality Management Area	An identified area where various air pollutant levels breach national limits, requiring action to deal with poor air quality.
Active Travel		Modes of travel which require physical activity, for example, walking and cycling.
Big Society		Is an idea supported by the Coalition Government which seeks to encourage and enable people, in their everyday lives, homes, neighbourhoods, and workplaces to group together in order to tackle problems affecting them and their communities. This is intended to replace the act of turning to officials, local authorities or central government for answers to these problems. In transport terms, an example would be the voluntary and community sector operation of a village minibus to meet local needs.
BRT	Bus Rapid Transit	Provision of dedicated, segregated bus lanes, junction priority, high quality "stations" and other infrastructure to provide a bus-based version of light rail rapid transit, capable of supporting high frequency services and moving large volumes of passengers.
Car Club		Organisations providing cars based in key locations for hire to members via an online or telephone booking system. Car clubs allow infrequent car users to access a car when they need it, without the high cost or parking difficulties associated with car ownership.
Community Transport		Transport provided by voluntary and community sector organisations, using a combination of volunteers and paid staff. Community transport can include taxi-card schemes that subsidise the cost of travelling by taxi, Dial-A-Ride services, community minibuses and voluntary car schemes, moped and mobility scooter hire.
Concessionary Travel Scheme (Concessionary Fares)		Local Transport Authorities are responsible for providing the Concessionary Travel Scheme for older people and people with disabilities within their administrative areas. This scheme provides free off-peak bus travel from 9am or 9:30am (depending on the LTA) to 11pm, Monday to Friday, and at any time at the weekend and on public holidays. It is intended for older people (who are of eligible age), and disabled users who live in each LTA area. In some cases, LTAs allow those who meet the criteria for a disabled person's pass to also have the option, as an alternative to the pass, to have vouchers (to the value of £32 per annum) for use on defined community transport schemes such as Dial-a-Ride and voluntary car schemes and taxis.
Core Strategy		This sets out the long term spatial vision for the local planning authority area, as well as the spatial objectives and the strategic policies to deliver that vision. The core strategy has the status of a development plan document.

Acronym/ Common Term	Full Title	Explanation
CPGS	Car Park Guidance System	System which combines monitoring of car park capacity and occupancy with Variable Message Signing (see “VMS”) to route car drivers to car parks with available parking spaces. This promotes a reduction in the number of vehicles circulating and searching for spaces at busy times and reduces traffic congestion.
CPZ	Controlled Parking Zone	An area where parking restrictions (typically a requirement to display a valid ticket or permit) are in force.
CRP	Community Rail Partnership	Community Rail Partnerships encourage greater use of rail services on rail routes away from main-line corridors by raising their profile in the community. This can be achieved by publicity, developing links with local communities served by the rail route and recruiting volunteers to help ‘adopt’ stations.
Green Infrastructure (The Green Grid)		Green Infrastructure is the physical environment within and between cities, towns and villages, specifically the network of open space, waterways, woodlands, green corridors and open countryside. These areas can be connected by a Green Grid. This is a network of interlinked footpaths, bridleways and cycle paths that connect town centres, public transport nodes, the countryside in the urban fringe, and major employment and residential areas.
HA	Highways Agency	Government agency responsible for managing the trunk road and motorway network.
HOV Lanes	High Occupancy Vehicle Lanes	Lanes dedicated for use by buses and cars carrying multiple occupants. Intended to encourage car-sharing by rewarding car-sharers with faster, less congested journeys.
HRA	Habitats Regulations Assessment	HRA assesses the likely impacts of the possible effects of a plan’s policies on the integrity of internationally important nature sites. These internationally important nature sites include Special Areas of Conservation (SAC) which have important habitat features, Special Protection Areas (SPAs) which relate to bird populations and Ramsar sites which are internationally important wetlands. These are often referred to as Natura 2000 sites.
Journey time reliability		It is important for people making a regular journey that the length of time taken between their origin and destination is reasonably predictable, and does not fluctuate excessively from day to day. Unpredictability adds to costs of business and results in wasted time.
LDF	Local Development Framework	The local development framework (LDF) is a collection of local development documents produced by the local planning authority (usually either a unitary authority or a district council in two-tier local authority areas) which collectively form the spatial planning strategy for its area. A key component of the LDF is the Core Strategy. Each LDF includes one or more statutory development plan documents, which are used by planning authorities to control development and determine planning applications. These can include area action plans (AAPs) or supplementary development documents (SDDs), which set more detailed planning requirements. The LDF as a whole is the spatial expression of the Sustainable Community Strategy (SCS) for the area.

Acronym/ Common Term	Full Title	Explanation
Legible Cities/ Legible South Hampshire		The Legible Cities concept involves the development of direction signage and maps to enable pedestrians and cyclists to navigate around the city with greater ease and confidence. A Legible South Hampshire project would involve deployment of a common brand of Legible Cities signage in urban locations across South Hampshire.
LEP	Local Enterprise Partnership	The Government is enabling the establishment of a number of regional / sub-regional organisations to act as catalysts for economic growth, known as LEPs to replace Regional Development Agencies (RDAs). LEPs will provide the strategic leadership in their areas to set out local economic priorities and will feature more private sector representation than RDAs. LEPs will address such areas as planning, housing, local transport and infrastructure, employment, and inward investment. The LEP for South Hampshire is the Solent LEP. <i>More information on LEPs is contained in the White Paper 'Local Growth: realising every place's potential', published in October 2010.</i>
Localism		This agenda, promoted by the Coalition Government seeks to pass down powers, control and responsibility for budgets and delivering services from high levels down to a more local level. This entails giving local councils and communities at all levels much greater freedoms to make decisions about how to best meet local needs.
Local Transport Act		The Local Transport Act (2008) is an act of Parliament that enables local authorities to better manage bus services, consider introduction of road charging schemes, and also outlines the requirements for delivery of Local Transport Plans.
Local Transport White Paper		Is a Government policy document, published in January 2011, which sets out the approach that Local Transport Authorities should take to ensure that local transport can support economic growth and reduce carbon emissions. This should primarily be achieved by investing in low cost high impact schemes that deliver good value for money improve travel choice and promote the use of sustainable modes of transport (public transport , walking and cycling)
LSTF	Local Sustainable Transport Fund	Funding made available for Local Transport Authorities in England outside London to bid for, to support packages of transport interventions that support local economic growth and reduce carbon emissions in their communities as well as delivering cleaner environments and improved air quality, enhanced safety and reduced congestion.
LTA	Local Transport Authority	A Local Authority responsible for the operation, management and development of the highway network (excluding trunk roads and motorways, which are the responsibility of the Highways Agency) within its area. LTAs are also generally responsible for subsidy of certain bus routes and maintenance and improvement of transport infrastructure (excluding infrastructure under control of the Highways Agency, Network Rail, and private operators).
LTP	Local Transport Plan	A Local Transport Plan outlines the transport policies, strategy and implementation plans for Local Transport Authorities.
Modal Share		The proportion of journeys made by a mode (i.e. type) of transport. For example, a modal share of 70% for cars means 70% of journeys are made by car.

Acronym/ Common Term	Full Title	Explanation
Naked Streets		Streets with none (or very little) of the usual street furniture such as traffic lights, signs, kerbs, railings, white lines and other road markings. In certain locations, studies have found that “naked streets” reduce traffic speeds and improve safety for users compared to more traditional street layouts, markings and furniture.
National Park		National Parks are protected areas because of their beautiful countryside, wildlife and cultural heritage. Hampshire contains two national parks, the New Forest National Park was established in 2005 and the South Downs National Park in 2010.
Network Rail		Network Rail is the owner and operator of the national rail infrastructure (track, signalling, stations, car parks and land). It must ensure safe and effective management and development of that infrastructure.
Powered Two-Wheeler		A powered two-wheel vehicle, for example, a motorbike, motor scooter, or electric scooter.
PUSH	Partnership for Urban South Hampshire	A partnership between Local Authorities in South Hampshire which aims to deliver sustainable, economic growth and regeneration to create a more prosperous, attractive and sustainable South Hampshire.
QBP	Quality Bus Partnership	A partnership between various stakeholders which can include county councils, local district councils, bus operators and sometimes other parties. The local authority improves bus stop access and information, and the bus company improves vehicles and timetables.
RGF	Regional Growth Fund	Government funding initiative to encourage private sector enterprise, create sustainable private sector jobs and help places currently reliant upon the public sector make the transition to sustainable private sector growth. Transport initiatives are eligible to receive funding.
RoWIP	Rights of Way Improvement Plan	A plan which considers how best to manage and develop the Public Rights of Way network (including bridleways and public footpaths).
RTI	Real Time Information	System providing live updates on expected arrival times of buses at each stop, and often also accessible online or via text message.
RUS	Route Utilisation Strategy	RUS are geographically based long-term rail infrastructure strategies produced by Network Rail, setting out ‘gaps’ in railway capacity and priorities for investment.
SEA	Strategic Environmental Assessment	SEA is an established tool to help decision-makers consider the environmental impacts of proposed policies, plans and programs.
Smarter Choices		Smarter choices are techniques for influencing people's travel behaviour, and encouraging them to make greater use of more sustainable travel options. Such techniques include school, workplace and individualised travel planning, promoting public transport services through as travel awareness campaigns, setting up websites for car share schemes, supporting car clubs and encouraging working at home and video-conferencing.
SUDS	Sustainable Urban Drainage System	Urban drainage system designed to reduce the impact of water runoff from urban developments. SUDS generally use systems of collection, storage, cleaning, and controlled release to more slowly release cleaner drainage water back into the environment. These systems are less prone to flooding than conventional drainage.

Acronym/ Common Term	Full Title	Explanation
SCS	Sustainable Community Strategy	The Sustainable Community Strategy (SCS) is prepared by local strategic partnerships (LSPs) as a set of goals and actions which they, in representing the residential, business, statutory and voluntary interests of an area, wish to promote. The SCS should inform the local development framework (LDF) and act as an umbrella for all other strategies devised for the area.
TAMP	Transport Asset Management Plan	A Transport Asset Management Plan aims to bring together the management processes associated with the maintenance of the transport network with information on the transport assets maintained by a local authority in one document.
TAP	Town Access Plan	A local plan containing a package of complementary measures for a town or city that seeks to improve accessibility, reduce congestion, improve sustainable transport modes to offer an alternative to the private car and raise awareness of travel options. TAPs were first proposed within the second Hampshire Local Transport Plan (2006-2011), and since then a number have been produced or are in the process of being produced. Draft TAPs are subject to local public consultation.
TfSH	Transport for South Hampshire	Transport for South Hampshire is a delivery agency formed in 2007 for the South Hampshire sub-region, bringing together local transport authorities, transport operators, business interests and government agencies to deliver change. The organisation is a partnership made up of the Local Highway Authorities of Hampshire, Southampton and Portsmouth, together with transport providers and other agencies
TIF	Tax Increment Financing	The Coalition government in autumn 2010 announced new powers for Local Authorities to be able to borrow against future estimated local tax receipts. This mechanism could be used to help deliver local transport improvements.

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