

West of England Partnership Board
3 December 2009

Joint Local Transport Plan 3 (JLTP3)

Purpose

1. To inform the Board of action to prepare JLTP3 and to seek its views.

Proposals

2. The current JLTP covers the period 2006 to 2011. It sets out the West of England's approach to transport based around the four shared priorities of congestion, accessibility, road safety and air quality.
3. The replacement JLTP, whilst being the second joint plan, will be the third Local Transport Plan produced by the West of England councils. For this reason it is referred to as JLTP3.
4. Final guidance issued by the Department for Transport (DfT) in July 2009 will be used to support the preparation of the JLTP3. The guidance's aim is to "enable every authority to prepare a Plan which best meets its own individual needs."
5. The JLTP3 will be based around the five key goals from the DfT's "Delivering a Sustainable Transport Strategy" (DaSTS) of:
 - Reduce carbon emissions
 - Support economic growth
 - Promote equality of opportunity
 - Contribute to better safety, security and health
 - Improve quality of life and a healthy natural environment
6. The JLTP3 will be in three parts:
 - Strategy taking the long term policy view to 2026, to coincide with the Regional Spatial Strategy
 - Delivery Plan setting out implementation proposals over the shorter term
 - Supplementary Documents covering walking, parking, public transport, traffic management and freight, smarter choices, road safety, cycling and rural transport in more detail.
7. Engagement will be a key part of the process. Stakeholders will be engaged at every stage with the main consultation on the final draft Strategy, Delivery Plan and Supplementary Documents from July to September 2010. Innovative ways to broaden engagement will be investigated. The new travel+ website <http://www.travelplus.org.uk> will be used to share information.
8. Other key areas of work include a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA), Equalities Impact Assessment, Health Impact Assessment, option testing, climate change impacts, targets, partnership working and alignment with other strategies.

9. A Transport Plan Commission has been set up with key stakeholders to help shape the emerging JLTP3.
10. The West of England Partnership is project managing the Plan and working with transport staff from the four councils. A Project Board has been set up.
11. The programme for producing the JLTP3 is shown below. The JLTP3 must be in place no later than 31 March 2011.

Date	JLTP3 Milestone
November to December 2009	Goals and challenges with key stakeholders Members' Workshops Joint Transport Executive Committee 12/11/09 West of England Partnership Conference 27/11/09 Transport Plan Commission 1/12/09
February – April 2010	Joint Transport Executive Committee endorse draft Strategy for key stakeholder consultation Transport Plan Commission Testing and consultation on options SEA option testing (Stage B), Equalities Impact Assessment
June 2010	Draft Delivery Plan produced Joint Transport Forum Transport Plan Commission
July to Sept 2010	Draft final Strategy, Delivery Plan and Supporting Documents main consultation Members' Workshops SEA Environment Report consultation (Stage C)
October to December 2010	Strategy, Supporting Documents and Delivery Plan revised Transport Plan Commission
January 2011	JLTP approved by Joint Transport Executive Committee and four councils
March 2011	Final JLTP3 published SEA Statement (Stage D)
April 2011	JLTP3 comes into force

Priorities, Major Transport Schemes and the Future

12. The five DaSTS goals guiding the JLTP3 have not been prioritised. The Department for Transport leaves it up to local authorities to set their own priorities. Board Members are asked to consider prioritising the DaSTS goals for the JLTP3.

13. The JLTP3 will include a substantial proportion of the Regional Funding Allocation 2 (RFA2) major transport schemes (see Appendix). These schemes cover the period to 2019. As the JLTP3 covers the period up to 2026 there is the opportunity to consider new schemes for inclusion in RFA3 (2019 to 2024). Board Members views on possible new major transport schemes are sought.
14. Climate change is likely to be an ever more important issue. Board Members are asked to consider how the JLTP3 should meet the challenges of climate change, its impact on economic performance and competitiveness, quality of life and the use of renewable resources. Board Members are also asked to identify other ways in which the future may change and how best the JLTP3 can adapt to them.

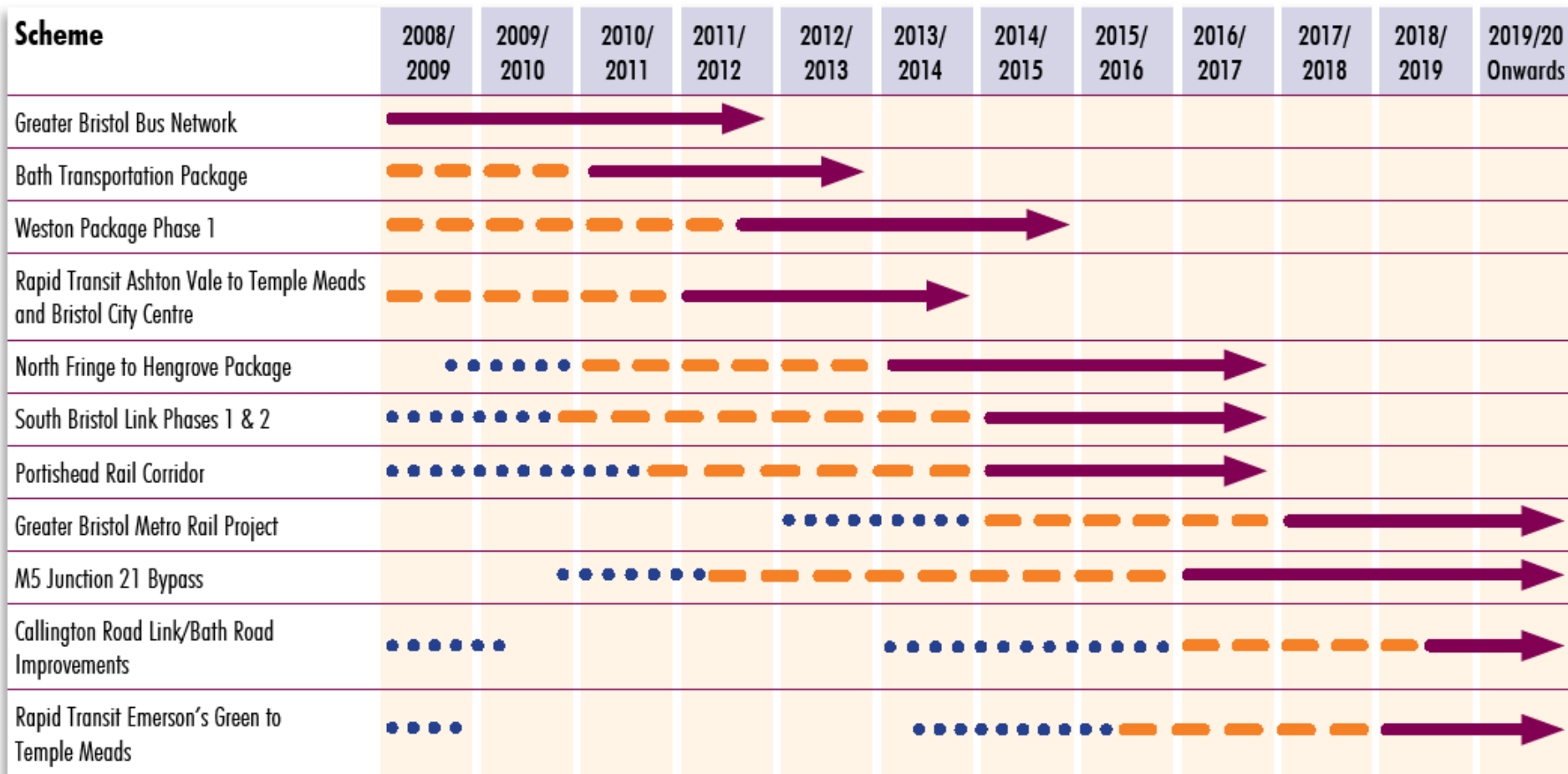
Recommendation

That Board members give a steer on the issues and opportunities set out in the report.

Appendix: West of England Regional Funding Allocation 2 Major Transport Schemes

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- Technical work to support funding bid to DfT
- DfT assess and approve bid/ Planning and Other Consents/ Procurement
- Implementation