

TRANSPORT WORKING GROUP UPDATE

(1) Summary of Activities

- 2 Sessions held
 - Session 6 was held online on 17th September, when Stuart Jefferies presented a summary of the LTP4 to the TWG.
 - Session 7 was held F2F and Time Square on 14th October with 14 Attendees
 - The Agenda focused on reviewing JCAB Strategy, Feedback on Vision, Theme Mapping to the Community Strategy and Project Updates

Bracknell Forest Local Transport Plan 4 2024 - 2037

LTP4 - Workstreams: Future Vision & Objectives



LTP3 Summary

Quantified Carbon Reduction Report

First Round Consultation

Strategic Environmental Assessment

Issues and Opportunities Report

Vision and Objectives Statement

Vision for LTP4:

"To develop a sustainable and resilient transport network that reduces carbon, provides choice and access for all in a safe and healthy environment, making Bracknell Forest a desirable place to live, work and grow."



Objectives (aligned with Council Plan):

Engaged and active communities:

- Increase usage of active travel networks
- Establish inclusive access for all across our transport network
- Create a safe and attractive environment for modal shift
- Deliver high quality public realm which supports locally connected communities

Thriving and connected economy:

- Create a transport network that supports economic growth, with sustainable access to employment, education and skills training
- Embrace new technologies that enhance the quality and efficiency of transport networks, delivering practical journeys and positive user experience
- Support the effective movement of freight and goods across transport modes
- Effectively manage our highway and transport assets in a sustainable way

Green and sustainable environment:

- Support decarbonisation of our transport network
- Reduce dependence private car travel by enhancing modal choice for all
- Ensure our local transport network protects and enhances the local environment, biodiversity and air quality
- Encourage the uptake of zero and low emission vehicles

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(2) Session 7 Outcomes (Part 1)

- **Feedback on VISION:**
- Very open (what is 'as soon as possible' or 'green choices), 2030 adds pressure to Officers and may not be realistic , Can we shift the language from 'we will' to 'we should'.
- **Feedback on THEMES/OBJECTIVE:**
- Missing Themes (?)
 - **Affordability, New Technology / Digital, Community Engagement**
- Missing Transport Objectives aligned to existing themes
 - **Biodiversity** - Adaptation around travel routes to prevent flooding?
 - **Adaptation** – Trees / Green corridors incl. rewilding/looking at cycle verges and SuDS (sustainable drainage systems)
- **Circular economy** isn't familiar to many

Theme Mapping

Theme	Group Objective
Behaviour Change, Education and Community Engagement	Avoid - Support localisation of services and employment opportunities to reduce car usage and trip length, including work-from-home initiatives. Project: Improving Business Community Engagement - Working with Business to Reduce Transport Emissions Project: Reducing our Need to Travel – Encouraging Behavioural Change ('De-incentivise Cars')
Nature Based Solution / Biodiversity	?
Climate Adaptation and Mitigation	?
Promoting Active Travel & Sustainable Transport Infrastructure	Shift - Increase the attractiveness of commuting by bus by promoting existing services and addressing concerns about reliability, cost, convenience, and comfort. Shift - Increase the attractiveness of commuting by walking and bicycle by promoting existing infrastructure, addressing concerns of cycle and walking safety and security and undertaking additional cycle network development. Project: Bracknell Forest Cycle Action Group Project: Better Buses
Energy Decarbonisation & Retrofitting	Improve - Support the controlled roll-out of Battery Electric Vehicles (BEV) Car and Van charging stations aligned with the growth of BEV ownership within the Borough. Project: Addressing EV Charger Inequality
Circular Economy & Finance	Avoid - Support localisation of services and employment opportunities to reduce car usage and trip length, including work-from-home initiatives. Improve - Support the controlled roll-out of Battery Electric Vehicles (BEV) Car and Van charging stations aligned with the growth of BEV ownership within the Borough.

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(3) Session 7 Outcomes (Part 2)

- Feedback on Projects
 - Reducing our Need to Travel
 - Improving Business Community Engagement
 - Bracknell Forest Cycling Group
 - Increase Bus Use and Availability
 - Addressing EV Charger Inequality

Challenges and Successes, Next Steps

- Challenges:
 - How do we get engagement around buses?
 - How do we meet and ensure actions are followed up?
 - How can we get members?
 - We recognise that lots of parts are out of our control and scope?
 - 'Disincentivising' isn't the right language, we need to focus on positive messages?
 - How do we create the Business case for change?
- Successes:
 - All project teams have met to kick off activities!
 - Bracknell Forest Cycling Festival!
- Next Steps - Project Times and Alignment to CCES