## Highways & Transport Committee Work Programme 2025 - 26

| Report<br>Reference | Title   | Purpose of Report  | Lead Officer   | Consultation | Equality Impact<br>Assessment | Part of<br>Budget and<br>Policy<br>Framework | Exempt<br>Item | Is the report<br>for decision<br>or scrutiny? |
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| 22 January 2        | 026   |  |  | •            | •                             |  |                |   |
| HTC/08/25-<br>26    | Medium Term Financial Strategy Consultation 2026/27 to 2029/30 Provisional Settlement | To provide feedback in relation to their financial responsibilities as identified within the Constitution and linked to the budget alignment approved by the Finance Sub-Committee in March 2025.  | Executive Director<br>Resources, and S151<br>Officer | No           | No                            | Yes  | No             | Scrutiny and Decision                         |
| HTC/12/25-<br>26    | Decision to Let a Construction Contract for the Middlewich Eastern Bypass             | To consider the options for funding and the letting of a construction contract for the Middlewich Eastern Bypass   | Executive Director of Place                          | No           | No                            | Yes  | No             | Decision                                      |
| HTC/20/25-<br>26    | Response to Notice<br>of Motion: Historical<br>Rural Signage                          | This Motion seeks to safeguard Cheshire East's historic rural signage—our fingerposts, milestones, and traditional wayfinding features. These signs are more than practical markers; they are part of our shared heritage, linking us to past generations and shaping the distinct character of our countryside. | Executive Director of Place                          | No           | No                            | No   | No             | Scrutiny                                      |
| 2 April 2026        |   |  |  |              |                               |  |                |   |
| HTC/09/25-<br>26    | Service Budgets<br>2026/27  | To set out the allocation of approved budgets for 2025/26 for services under the Committee's remit, as determined by Finance Sub Committee   | Executive Director<br>Resources, and S151<br>Officer | No           | No                            | Yes  | No             | Scrutiny                                      |
| HTC/07/25-<br>26    | Third Financial<br>Review 2025/26   | To scrutinise and comment on the Third Financial Review and Performance position of 2024/25, and (if necessary) approve Supplementary Estimates and Virements.   | Executive Director<br>Resources, and S151<br>Officer | No           | No                            | Yes  | No             | Scrutiny                                      |
| HTC/18/25-<br>26    | Local Transport Plan -<br>Approval  | To present an updated Local Transport Plan (LTP) for approval by Highways and Transport Committee prior to submission to Full Council for adoption. The LTP provides a policy framework for prioritising future investment in transport.   | Executive Director of Place                          | Yes          | Yes                           | Yes  | No             | Decision                                      |

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| HTC/19/25- | Local Transport Grant | The report will present the proposed delivery | Executive Director of | No | Yes | No | No | Decision |
|------------|-----------------------|---|-----------------------|----|-----|----|----|----------|
| 26         | - Delivery Programme  | programme for the Department for Transport    | Place                 |    |     |    |    |          |
|            |                       | (DfT) Local Transport Grant (LTG) capital     |                       |    |     |    |    |          |
|            |                       | funding allocation for Cheshire East.         |                       |    |     |    |    |          |

## Task and Finish Groups

| Group  | Membership   | Established | Purpose  |
|--|--|-------------|--|
| Home to Schol Transport – Cross<br>Directorate with Children & Families<br>Committee | H & T Members M Goldsmith H Faddes M Muldoon  C & F Members M Beanland L Crane E Gilman B Puddicombe | May 2025    | This project will enable members of both Highways & Transport Committee and Children & Families Committee to jointly scrutinise the Councils' arrangements for provision of Hometo-School Transport, including SEND. The Council provides transport for approximately 4000 students to educational establishments in the borough and beyond. The MTFS provides an increase in budget (FY2025-26) of £1.5 million with further growth expected in future years. Transport services make up 17% of the overall children's revenue budget. There have been recent planned changes to the council's policies, procedures and procurement arrangements for home-to-school transport and members are interested to understand the effectiveness of these and what else can be done to ensure services provide value-for-money. |

## **Briefing Reports/Reports for noting**

| Title  | Purpose of Report  | Lead Officer                                     | Expected Circulation Date via the Members Hub |
|--|--|--|---|
| Public Rights of Way Annual report 2024 - 25 | To inform members about the work of the Public Rights of Way (PROW) team, including achievements and challenges. | Nicola Lewis-Smith -Public Rights of Way Manager | твс   |

Note: These reports will be circulated outside of committee meetings.

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