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What is the Local Transport Plan?

• It is a statutory requirement for Cheshire East Council to produce and update plans for managing and investing in the local transport system.

• The Local Transport Plan (LTP) identifies Cheshire East’s proposals, priorities, and aspirations for local transport.
Why Cheshire East Needs a New LTP

Successful delivery against the current LTP and changing context means there is now a need to provide an updated plan and vision which supports:

- The emerging **Local Plan** and **Infrastructure Delivery Plan**
- Adoption of **Neighbourhood Plans**
- Development of focused transport strategies
- Emerging evidence and strategy at the pan-Northern level through **Transport for the North**
- **Network Rail** and **Highways England** investment programmes
- Long term growth aspirations e.g. **HS2** and the **Constellation Partnership**
- Cheshire East Council’s refreshed corporate objectives and adoption of ‘**Quality of Place**’ principles
- **Technological innovation** and **demographic/cultural** shifts with impacts on travel behaviour
The Challenge of Integrating Plans

Strategic Priorities

- Cheshire East Local Plan
- Cheshire East Local Transport Plan
- Cheshire East Corporate Plan

Local Context

- Neighbourhood Plans
- Town Plans
- Site-specific Master Plans

Implementation

- Major Projects
- Network Asset Management Plan
- Cycling Strategy
- Sustainable Modes of Travel to Schools
- Parking Management
- Public Transport (Bus and Rail)
- Rights of Way Improvement Plan
- Speed management strategy
How our Plans Fit Together

**National**  Highways England, Network Rail, High Speed 2

**Sub-National**  Transport for the North, Midlands Engine for Growth

**Cheshire and Warrington**  Strategic Economic Plan, Sub-regional Transport Strategy

**Cheshire East**  Local Plan, Local Transport Plan

**Local**  Neighbourhood Plans, place based strategies developed through the Local Transport Plan
Linking the Local to the Global

Global Gateways (Manchester Airport, Port Salford, Port Liverpool)

UK Connectivity (North Wales Growth Track 360, HS2 and Classic Rail, Strategic Road Network)

Cities and the Sub Region (Strategic Road and Rail)

Linking Towns (Inter Urban Bus Services, Rail and Highways Network)

Connecting Neighbourhoods (Local Bus Services, Active Travel, Urban Realm)
The Process

Stage 1 – Building the foundation

Stage 2 – Cheshire East’s Vision for transport

Stage 3 – Boroughwide strategy and local opportunities

Stage 4 – Public consultation

Develop an evidence base

Identify broad priorities and challenges

Boroughwide strategy

Local area profiles

Local Transport Plan

Public consultation

Stakeholder engagement
The predominant source of air pollution in Cheshire East is road traffic, with emissions of nitrogen dioxide accounting for all 13 Air Quality Management Areas (AQMAs).
Developing the Evidence Base

Total highway asset value £5 billion+

We’re working for you
we maintain...

2700 km
of highway

1,900 km
of footways

92,000
gullies

386
traffic signal
junctions

over 4000
illuminated
signs & bollards

over 600 km
cycle routes

Over 1,700
bridges & structures

Over 40,000
streetlights

144
pedestrian crossings

5.8 million square metres of grass verge

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Work to date has identified five key transport challenges for Cheshire East:

1. Providing connectivity that enables transformational economic change and supports a strong economy
2. Providing accessibility for residents and businesses (particularly in rural areas)
3. Improving our environment
4. Addressing poor health and physical inactivity
5. Network management and asset maintenance
Developing the Vision

- The LTP will detail proposals which address strategic challenges, deliver on priorities, and capitalise on opportunities over the next **five years** and beyond.
- A five year lifespan enables the LTP to provide clear direction whilst being flexible enough to react to new opportunities.
- The LTP will focus on three priority programme areas:
The LTP will contain local area profiles giving comprehensive coverage across the whole Borough. The profiles will build upon local knowledge and evolving Neighbourhood and Town Plans. Local area profiles will be prepared for:

- **Principal Towns:** Crewe and Macclesfield
- **Key Service Centres:** Alsager, Congleton, Handforth, Knutsford, Middlewich, Nantwich, Poynton, Sandbach, and Wilmslow
- Including the rural areas which surround them

These will identify how the LTP will deliver against local priorities and planned development. They will also identify the local benefits expected from major projects e.g. HS2.
Local Example: Sandbach

Local Transport Plan: Priorities, Opportunities, and Challenges
Economic Growth, Environment / Carbon Reduction, Quality of Life, Connectivity, Public Health, Network and Asset Management

Sandbach Local Profile: Priorities, Opportunities, and Challenges (taken from Neighbourhood Plan)
- M6 Junction 17
- Town centre car parking
- Rail improvements and passenger link with Northwich
- Cycle and footway improvements
- Bus services and links to rail station
- Congestion