



MONMOUTHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT

Agenda Item 5

SUBJECT:	SUBMISSION OF LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN (LTP) to Welsh Government
MEETING:	Individual Cabinet Member (Cllr Bryan Jones, Highways, Transport and Waste portfolio)
DATE:	28th January 2015
DIVISION/WARDS AFFECTED:	All

1. PURPOSE:

To seek agreement that the Monmouthshire Local Transport Plan (LTP) (please see link below) developed through consultation and approved by the Strategic Transport Group (STG) be submitted to Welsh Government by 31st January 2015.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

2.1 That the Monmouthshire LTP (appendix 1) be approved for submission to Welsh Government by the 31st January 2015 with a covering letter advising that the LTP is subject to debate and approval by the Council on 26th February 2015.

2.2 That the LTP be agendaed for debate, amendment and approval at the Council meeting on the 26th February 2015.

3. KEY ISSUES:

3.1 In September 2014 Welsh Government (WG) circulated guidance to local authorities on the preparation of a Local Transport Plan. The guidance included advice on the extent of the plan, consultation and a timetable to submit the LTP to WG by the 31st January 2015.

- 3.2 The plan was drafted by officers but has been directed and prioritized through the consultation process and the members of the Strategic Transport Group.
(The Council approved the creation of the Strategic Transport Group in May 2014 to, amongst other things, provide a resource to focus on all matters relating to transport - local, regional and national)
The document includes references to those consulted that contributed to the development of the LTP.

4. REASONS:

- 4.1 The WG timetable and the timescales to actually review the LTP has dictated the democratic process for the preparation and submission. The work of the STG is preparing and recommending the Monmouthshire LTP is within the remit of the group but ideally both the Economy and Development, and Strong Communities select committees would have reviewed the plan prior to approval by Cabinet. This process (i.e. through single member and then Council) allows the authority to comply with the WG timetable whilst also offering members the opportunity to review and amend the plan.

5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

None directly from the report but the plan includes various schemes which include capital and revenue implications. Progress with schemes, in terms of budgetary implications, would be reported separately.

6. SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IMPLICATIONS:

Refer to Appendix 2

7. EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT:

Refer to Appendix 2

8. CONSULTEES:

SLT
Cabinet
Strategic Transport Group

8. BACKGROUND PAPERS:

None

9. AUTHOR: Roger Hoggins, Head of Operations
Richard Cope, Passenger Transport Manager

10. CONTACT DETAILS: Tel: 01633 644133 Email: rogerhoggins@monmouthshire.gov.uk