

# **BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL**

## **SUSTAINABILITY AND TRANSPORT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

**WEDNESDAY, 07 JULY 2021 AT 14:00 HOURS**  
**IN BMI MAIN HALL, 9 MARGARET STREET, BIRMINGHAM, B3 3BS**

### **A G E N D A**

#### **1 NOTICE OF RECORDING/WEBCAST**

The Chair to advise/meeting to note that this meeting will be webcast for live or subsequent broadcast via the Council's meeting You Tube site. ([www.youtube.com/channel/UCT2kT7ZRPFCXq6\\_5dnVnYlw](http://www.youtube.com/channel/UCT2kT7ZRPFCXq6_5dnVnYlw)) and that members of the press/public may record and take photographs except where there are confidential or exempt items.

#### **2 APOLOGIES**

To receive any apologies.

#### **3 APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE AND CHAIR**

To note the resolution of the City Council appointing the Committee and Chair to serve on the Committee for the period ending with the Annual Meeting of the City Council in 2022 as follows:-

##### **Councillors**

(Lab)	(Con)	(Lib/Dem)
Mick Brown	Eddie Freeman	Zaker Choudhry
Liz Clements	Timothy Huxtable	
Mohammed Fazal		
Julie Johnson		
Hendrina Quinnen		

Councillor Liz Clements as Chair

#### **4 ELECTION OF DEPUTY CHAIR**

To elect and appoint a Deputy Chair to substitute if the Chair is absent.

#### **5 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

Members are reminded that they must declare all relevant pecuniary and non pecuniary interests arising from any business to be discussed at this meeting. If a disclosable pecuniary interest is declared a Member must not speak or take part in that agenda item. Any declarations will be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

6 **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

To fulfil the functions of an Overview and Scrutiny as they relate to any policies, services and activities relating to sustainability, air pollution, transport strategy and highways.

The Committee shall undertake the authority's statutory functions in relation to the scrutiny of flood risk management (Flood and Water Management Act 2019)

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7 **SUSTAINABILITY & TRANSPORT O&S COMMITTEE - ACTION NOTES**

To confirm the action notes of the meeting held on 17th March.

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8 **CABINET MEMBER FOR TRANSPORT & ENVIRONMENT – ANNUAL REPORT & PRIORITIES**

Councillor Waseem Zaffar, Cabinet Member for Transport and Environment and supporting officers.

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9 **WORK PROGRAMME**

For discussion.

10 **DATE OF MEETINGS 2021/21**

To note the date and times of meetings for the year.

2021	2022
7 July	19 January
22 September	16 February
20 October	16 March
17 November	20 April
15 December	

11 **REQUEST(S) FOR CALL IN/COUNCILLOR CALL FOR ACTION/PETITIONS RECEIVED (IF ANY)**

To consider any request for call in/councillor call for action/petitions (if received).

12 **OTHER URGENT BUSINESS**

To consider any items of business by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) that in the opinion of the Chair are matters of urgency.

13 **AUTHORITY TO CHAIR AND OFFICERS**

Chair to move:-

'In an urgent situation between meetings, the Chair jointly with the relevant Chief Officer has authority to act on behalf of the Committee'.



**BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL**

**SUSTAINABILITY AND TRANSPORT O&S COMMITTEE**

**1400 hours on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2021, Online Meeting – Actions**

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**Present:**

Councillor Liz Clements (Chair)

Councillors Olly Armstrong, Muhammad Afzal, Zakir Choudhry, Eddie Freeman, Timothy Huxtable and Julie Johnson.

**Also Present:**

Alderman Tony Kennedy

Hannah Hogan, Flood Risk Manager

Mel Jones, Head of Transport Planning & Network Strategy

Joe Green, Travel Demand Manager

Ceri Saunders, Acting Group Overview & Scrutiny Manager

Baseema Begum, Scrutiny Officer

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**1. NOTICE OF RECORDING/WEBCAST**

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**2. APOLOGIES**

Councillor Zaker Choudhry notified the Chair that he had to leave the meeting early for a medical appointment.

**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

Standing declarations noted.

**4. SUSTAINABILITY & TRANSPORT O&S COMMITTEE ACTION NOTES**

The action notes of the meeting held on the 17<sup>th</sup> February were agreed.

Cllr Clements stated that inquiries would be made to see if Cllr O'Shea has responded to the issues raised in the briefing note sent to all Members from Birmingham Friends of the Earth in relation to the waste procurement process.

## **5. FLOOD RISK AND MANAGEMENT ANNUAL REPORT**

(See Item No.5)

The Chair welcomed Alderman Tony Kennedy and Hannah Hogan, Flood Risk Manager who talked through the presentation circulated and during discussion with members the following points were made: -

- The Council is working with the Environment Agency (EA) in relation to the significant flood risk presented by the River Cole. The EA are struggling to get outcome measures that provide a cost-effective alleviation solution. All alleviation aspects from EA have been priced out and are not in line with the partnership funding rules. The EA are still looking to develop the River Cole Valley strategy and the Council, Severn Trent and other partners are lobbying the EA on this. There is a baseline solution or alleviation from property flood resilience as highlighted, but this does not deal with the flood risk itself and will only safeguard the fabric of the buildings.
- The Council has put in a bid to the EA to deal with waste management and an environmental drive in the Sparkbrook and Sparkhill area as this is a significant factor in causing flooding in relation to the River Cole and the impact on businesses that are experiencing regular flooding. The bid will be assessed alongside other national bids. If the Council is successful it will have discernible benefits.
- The Council does work with the Birmingham and Black Country Wildlife Trust in relation to the protection of wildlife within the area of the River Cole. There are some ecological and environmental benefits in relation to the measures being put in place however without an engineered alleviation scheme the full benefits won't be achieved.
- The new 6-year flooding plan highlights the issues in relation to properties that have been flooded historically including those that are known and those at historic risk whether private or council-owned. A key issue with installing property resilience measures is that ownership and long-term maintenance has to be agreed with residents and homeowners. There are challenges such as if there is an absentee landlord or if a house is sold in the future whether the new owner will partake in the scheme and the impact of this. However, property resilience is key and the team welcome input from members to identify those dwellings at risk.
- Lots of learning happened from the 2018 flood event and this helped with being prepared for the flooding in June 2020. This included good support from Kier who are responsible for maintaining the public highway under the Highways PFI and close working with the Council's Resilience team. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic the 'environment' cell set up has worked effectively in

helping different teams work together and liaise better for example in waste management and street cleansing etc. in relation to issues with flooding. Cross-team working took place to ensure site visits were undertaken and efforts focussed safely with the correct PPE.

- In addition, there was one issue that didn't go so well and that was the confidence in the amber alert weather forecast issued. The amber alert issued by the EA was a blanket across the country and there was no detail on where and the intensity of the rainfall to be expected so that it could be prepared for. However significant flooding on the Stratford Road did lead to Severn Trent identifying the problem area and working to fix it. Partnership working really helped manage the flooding event in 2020 and comparatively Birmingham didn't get the worse of the flooding in comparison to neighbouring areas.
- In terms of how communities protect themselves against flooding there are 4 Flood Action Groups (FLAGs) in the city and a couple of informal groups have also been set up that will become formalised in the future (set up as a result of the 2018 flooding event). In areas where flooding is a concern it is best to set up a FLAG as it means that the Lead Local Flood Authority (LLFA) can support residents with resilience measures such as sandbags. The benefit to the community is there is one point of contact and this also helps with lobbying.
- The Council's Flood Support Team can help support those interested in setting up a FLAG and any issues or concerns that residents or businesses may have in relation to flooding.
- The level of groundwater is dependant on the properties, soil and aqua in the area and historically has been affected by abstractions from groundwater and discharges into rivers and water environments. There also has not been as many abstractions as in the past and ground water is starting to rise. It has been a wet year and pooling of water on the surface etc. Groundwater flood risk is quite hard to address however some things can be done to buildings to help them become more resilient to flooding. One way that it can be dealt with is through setting aside land that can be used for wetlands however this does depend on the quality of the surrounding land and several factors need to be considered. The Council does want to work with the Trent Rivers Trust, Wildlife Trust and Natural England and other partners to protect wildlife as part of this and to improve placemaking among other factors.
- Members can alert areas at risk of or have issues with flooding to the Council's Flood Action team as well as the EA. The Flood Action Team works with partners to identify problems and provide help. Issues such as development of areas, local land planning, loss of greenery etc. can be identified and worked through. The focus is on internal flooding as that is where the funding is given but the Council can work with partners to provide help.

The Chair thanked and offered her congratulations to Hannah Hogan and her team for all the hard work that has been carried out during the pandemic and an exceptionally busy year.

**RESOLVED:** -

- The report was noted.

## 6. ACTIVE TRAVEL FUND – TRANCHE 2 UPDATE

(See Item No.6)

Mel Jones, Head of Transport Planning & Network Strategy and Joe Green, Travel Demand Manager shared the key points from the presentation and during discussion with Members the following responses were made to queries raised: -

- More School Streets schemes are included as part of the Active Travel Fund (ATF) Tranche 2 under the 'Places for People' package. Some funding has been used to match, expand and improve existing measures as part of the safer routes to schools' schemes. There are also measures for some new schemes as part of the school streets project in some of the 'Places for People' areas and how these can be expanded.
- As part of the evaluation of Tranche 1 of the ATF monitoring is taking place of Low Traffic Neighbourhood pilots such Kings Heath. Modal shift and behaviour change are being encouraged and there is anecdotal feedback that people are making changes. Concerns have been raised about displacement of air pollution and congestion and it is envisaged that with less traffic in local areas it will impact the level of air pollution rather than it being displaced (by fewer vehicles making journeys leading to 'evaporation' rather than displacement). This has happened in other places such as London in similar schemes however there is a period of adjustment and adaptation to be expected. The Council will be monitoring the impact and have noted the concerns raised.
- There are 2-3 locations that have been identified as quick win measures as highlighted by orange pinpoints on the map within the presentation. There is a restriction on the number of schemes that can be installed across the city due to funding. It is hoped that future funding will become available that will allow for other schemes to be identified.
- All Councillors will be engaged with ahead of development of the schemes for Tranche 2. Arrangements will also be made to include local stakeholder input into proposed schemes for Tranche 2.
- The evaluation report on Tranche 1 is being finalised and further details on when this will be available for circulation will be shared when available. The report picks up on feedback and information provided as part of the review of Tranche 1 and contains some relatively high-level recommendations taking on-board the lessons learnt. Recommendations will identify quick-win mitigation measures, snagging issues and where lessons/proposals for Tranche 2 can be implemented. Any changes will be communicated to Members and elected Members and others will be consulted with as part of this.
- Unfortunately monitoring of all roads in the city is not feasible in relation to displacement of traffic due to new measures being introduced. It has been noted that more robust monitoring is required.



- A lot of activity is taking place on the road network in the city centre that is taking advantage of fewer vehicles on the roads due to the pandemic.

The Chair thanked the officers and said she was encouraged by all this work and noted that although air quality thresholds and World Health Organisation targets were currently not being met progress was being made. It was added that with the Clean Air Zone due to start in June this would also have some effect on this as well as the work taking place on encouraging more people to walk and cycle shorter journeys.

**RESOLVED: -**

1. The report was noted.
2. Mel Jones to share further details with Cllr Afzal in relation to roadworks in the city centre and providing early notification of highway works to road users.

## **7. WORK PROGRAMME**

(See Item No. 7)

The Chair explained that the postponement of items scheduled for the April meeting due in part to purdah rules and that these items would be scheduled appropriately in the new municipal year.

Cllr Clements invited members to put forward suggestions for the April meeting and a discussion was had that included looking at issues relating to climate change in further detail.

The Chair added that an announcement from Government on the revised bus strategy and the importance highlighted about bus priority was of key interest and this is something that she would like to pick up as part of the future work programme.

Cllr Huxtable suggested looking more closely at what part the city can play in improving and supporting biodiversity with input from relevant stakeholders. Reference was made to how the Council's green and blue assets could be used to shape people and places in the future.

**RESOLVED: -**

1. The report was noted.
2. The Chair to talk through the detail with Cllr Huxtable and the scrutiny officer in relation to improving and biodiversity in the city ahead of a future meeting.

## **8. REQUEST(S) FOR CALL IN/COUNCILLOR CALL FOR ACTION/PETITIONS (IF ANY)**

None.

## **9. OTHER URGENT BUSINESS**

In relation to issues raised by Members on the efficiency of old street lighting and the cost alongside the announcement of additional government funding for safety purposes including street lighting and CCTV in public places (and how these funds would be used in Birmingham) the Chair, Cllr Clements confirmed that a briefing note with further detail on these issues would be requested from the Highways section.

## **10. AUTHORITY TO CHAIRMAN AND OFFICERS**

Agreed.

### **RESOLVED: -**

That in an urgent situation between meetings the Chair, jointly with the relevant Chief Officer, has authority to act on behalf of the Committee.

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The meeting ended at 16:09 hours.

# Sustainability and Transport Overview & Scrutiny Committee CABINET MEMBER ANNUAL REPORT



Councillor Waseem Zaffar  
Cabinet Member for Transport & Environment  
7 July 2021



# Birmingham Transport Plan

- Consultation Jan to Mar 2020
- Paused due to COVID-19 and Emergency BTP
- Big Moves:
  - Reallocating road space
  - Transforming the city centre
  - Prioritising active travel in local neighbourhoods
  - Managing demand through parking measures
- Consultation report publication Jun 2021
- Target for adoption of final document Sep 2021
  - Link to related programmes, including R20 and Our Future City Plan
- Delivery plan to support main document
  - Scoping work underway
  - 'Live' document



# Climate Change and Air Quality

- Route to Zero (ambition for net carbon neutral by 2030)
  - Action Plan approved Jan 2021, progress update to Full Council annually, from Jan 2022
  - Recruitment underway for Assistant Director – Route to Net Zero Carbon; interviews mid July
  - Route to Zero Task Force will transition to Route to Zero Climate Assembly, focussing on delivery of Action Plan; first meeting 23 Jun (online)
- Clean Air Zone launched 1 June, enforcement and charges from 14 June 2021
  - At 14 June just over 6,000 approved local exemptions were in place; and
  - 66 applications to scrappage scheme; thirty approved, ten non-compliant vehicles scrapped
- Air Quality Action Plan published in Mar 2021
- Monitoring:
  - Air Quality and Traffic baseline study due for publication summer 2021
  - Monthly CAZ factsheets to be published beginning July 2021
  - Air Quality annual status report due July 2021, reporting on 2020 data



# COVID-19 Recovery: Emergency BTP

- Emergency Active Travel Fund
  - Cycle routes, Places for People, city centre traffic segments and local centre improvements
  - Review published Apr 2021: traffic and transport data, technical/engineering review, Equality Impact Assessments, engagement analysis
  - Recommendations being acted on: monitoring scheme performance, enhanced communications and engagement
- Birmingham Bus Statement
  - Bus is the backbone of Birmingham's mass transit system
  - Strong commitment to regrow bus travel through partnership and investment
  - 'Ready when you're ready' campaign to get people back on public transport



# Key funding

- Transport and Highways Capital Programme (approved Feb 2021)
  - Six-year rolling programme worth £237.601m, with £18.5M specifically on Air Quality and Climate change programmes.
  - Implicit in wider programme as transport policy already strongly aligned to carbon reduction and lower emissions
- Levelling Up Fund
  - £19.9M bid submitted for A457 Dudley Road Improvements project (total scheme cost £30.1M)
  - Potential to submit further bids
- Intra-city Transport Settlement
  - Estimated £800M for West Midlands, over 5 years
- Bus Back Better
  - Future funding, £3bn national fund, local allocation to be distributed via WMCA

# Delivery: Active Travel Fund

- Follow up to Emergency Active Travel Fund
- Programme includes cycle routes, Places for People, city centre traffic segments, local centre improvements and supporting measures (local and regional)
- Initial round of engagement undertaken
- Concept designs being created/revised
- Stakeholder engagement underway
- Formal consultation summer 2021
- Detailed design to follow consultation
- Mix of TROs and ETROs
- Scheme delivery from Sept/Oct, completion by Mar 2022





# Delivery: active travel, micromobility, schools

- West Midlands Cycle Hire
  - Launched Apr/May 2021; stations in city centre, Edgbaston, Sutton Coldfield
  - Once fully operational: 1,500 bikes and 170 docking station across the region
- E-Scooter (Voi) trial
  - Launched Sep/Dec 2020, covers city centre and corridors to Perry Barr/Selly Oak
  - Current operational area 36 km<sup>2</sup> with around 1,200 scooters
  - Docking stations added to address public feedback and safety concerns
- E-cargo bike trial
  - Ongoing
- School travel
  - Schools across the city engaged with Modeshift STARS
  - Twelve Car Free School Streets; thirteen Safer Routes to School schemes
  - Schools in priority areas receiving support through School Restart



# Delivery: public transport

## ■ Metro

- Eastside Extension (to Digbeth)
  - Section 1 (Corporation Street /Bull Street) main works started 6 Jun 2021, includes track replacement on Corporation Street
  - Section 5 (Digbeth High Street) works start this summer, includes delivery of Digbeth Public Realm
- Westside Extension (to Broad Street/Hagley Road)
  - nearing completion, route open to passengers Dec 2021

## ■ Sprint

- TfWM having Enhanced Partnership Plan/Scheme legally 'made'
- Construction of the A34 and A45 routes ongoing
- Hagley Road Phase 1 improvement (Monument Road/Plough & Harrow junctions) under review, looking to commence Statutory TRO process.



# Delivery: public transport

## ■ Rail

- Perry Barr station closed for refurbishment, to re-open in time for CWG
- University station construction underway; existing station open throughout
- Final funding approved for Camp Hill rail stations (Moseley, Kings Heath, Hazelwell); clearance work underway ahead of main construction
- Restore Your Railway Ideas Fund: EOIs submitted for Castle Bromwich & Fort Parkway, and Sutton Park Line (Mar 2021)

## ■ Bus

- Cross City bus development ongoing; some city centre measures approved
- Proposal for Lyon (Paradise) Queensway to re-open to public transport, taxi and cycles only, with local access arrangements
- Bus Back Better funding expected (via WMCA) for further highway measures



# Delivery: road safety

- 20mph evaluation underway, with a view to identifying funding for future roll out
- Working on implementing next 20mph areas: Soho Road, Handsworth, Lozells and North Edgbaston
- Work with RedOptima and Road Safety Foundation on proactive road safety schemes
- Average Speed Enforcement cameras pilot successful; discussions with West Midlands Police regarding future roll out
- £525,000 annual funding for Local Safety Schemes programme



# Delivery: major schemes

- Highway schemes
  - **Selly Oak New Road phase 1B**, delivery complete, recent unveiling of bench designed by local school children
  - **Iron Lane, Stechford**, delivery complete
  - **Digbeth Controlled Parking Zone**, delivery complete
  - **Woodgate Valley (Building Sustainable Communities Fund)**, delivery complete
  - **Pershore Rd/ Priory Road junction**, in discussion with contractors, with work possibly starting in August 2021 and continuing to Easter 2022
  - **Perry Barr Highway Improvements**, completion summer 2022
- City centre
  - **Snow Hill Public Realm** (Colmore Row, Livery/Edmund Street), completion summer 2021
  - **Southside Public Realm**, completion spring/summer 2022



# Roads Management and Maintenance (PFI)

- Kier Interim Services Contract
  - Performance has been good and feedback largely positive
  - COVID implications and support
  - Investment programme started
- Long Term Reprocurement
  - Working with project parties to produce viable and affordable set of standards and programme of investment for the remaining fourteen years of the contract
  - Delivery options being considered in discussion with Government and project lenders
  - Continuing with member engagement





# Environment: Flooding

- Flood Risk Management Annual Report
- Statutory consultee for Planning, surface water considerations
- Attracting external grants
- Flood alleviation and new six-year year pipeline of schemes,
- Flooded sites action tracker – updated with Jun flood events
- Flood incident response and rota duty
- Level 2 Strategic Flood Risk Assessments for BCC housing schemes
- Partnership works with Birmingham & Black Country Wildlife Trust, ST Water and Environment Agency
- Reservoir Inspection and Improvement Works:
  - Witton Reservoir, Longmoor Reservoir, Manor Farm Park Pool, Powells Reservoir, Salford Reservoir, Shenley Fields, Swanshurst Reservoir, Tritiford Reservoir



# Trees, Green and Blue Infrastructure

- Birmingham is a Tree City of the World
- Birmingham is a city of one million trees - but needs more
  - Trees play a vital role in lessening the impacts of climate change.
  - Birmingham currently has 18.6% average canopy cover but 25% or greater is required to make towns and cities liveable.
  - At least 176,000 more trees are needed to reach our canopy cover target.
- What is being done
  - Urban Forest Master Plan (UFMP)
  - Route to Zero work ties in to the UFMP
  - Birmingham design guide
  - Development Management policies
  - Our Future City Plan - City of Nature











## Sustainability & Transport O&S Committee: Work Programme 2021/22

<b>Chair:</b>	Cllr Liz Clements
<b>Deputy Chair:</b>	Cllr TBC
<b>Committee Members:</b>	Cllrs Mick Brown, Zaker Choudhry, Mohammed Fazal, Eddie Freeman, Julie Johnson, Hendrina Quinnen and Timothy Huxtable.
<b>Officer Support:</b>	Ceri Saunders, Acting Group Overview & Scrutiny Manager (303 2786) Scrutiny Officer: Baseema Begum (303 1668) Committee Manager: Louisa Nisbett (303 9844)

### 1 Meeting Schedule

Date	What	Officer Contact / Attendees
<b>9th June 2021 (informal)</b> 1400 hours <b>Online meeting</b>  Report Deadline: 1 <sup>st</sup> June	To discuss priorities for the 2021/22 work programme.	Scrutiny Office
<b>7th July 2021</b> 1400 hours BMI Main Hall  Report Deadline: 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Cabinet Member for Transport & Environment – Annual Report & Priorities	Rose Horsfall, Cabinet Support Officer
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> September 2021</b> 1400 hours BMI Main Hall  Report Deadline: 13 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Plastic Free Birmingham – Tracking  Birmingham Tree Policy Inquiry – Tracking (TBC)	Darren Share, Assistant Director, Street Scene and Parks  Simon Needle, Principal Arboriculturist



Date	What	Officer Contact / Attendees
<b>20<sup>th</sup> October 2021</b> 1400 hours BMI Main Hall  Report Deadline: 11 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Restoring public confidence in public transport (TBC)	Transport for West Midlands, Network West Midlands, West Midlands Railway (TBC)
<b>17<sup>th</sup> November 2021</b> 1400 hours BMI Main Hall  Report Deadline: 8 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Update on the implementation of the Climate Change Action Plan (tbc)  Disinvestment in fossil fuels – Follow up on Motion to City Council (TBC)	TBC  West Midlands Local Government Pension Fund (TBC)
<b>15<sup>th</sup> December 2021</b> 1400 hours BMI Main Hall  Report Deadline: 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec		
<b>19<sup>th</sup> January 2022</b> 1400 hours BMI Main Hall  Report Deadline: 10 <sup>th</sup> Jan		
<b>16<sup>th</sup> February 2022</b> 1400 hours BMI Main Hall  Report Deadline: 7 <sup>th</sup> Feb		
<b>16<sup>th</sup> March 2022</b> 1400 hours BMI Main Hall  Report Deadline: 7 <sup>th</sup> March	Flood Risk Management Annual Report (TBC)	Kevin Hicks, Assistant Director, Highways & Infrastructure
<b>20<sup>th</sup> April 2022</b> 1400 hours BMI Main Hall  Report Deadline: 11 <sup>th</sup> April		



## 2 Outstanding Tracking

Inquiry	Outstanding Recommendations	Last Tracking
Birmingham Tree Policy Inquiry	R01, R03, R06, R07, R08, R09, R10 & R11	November 2019
Plastic Free Birmingham	R01, R02, R05, R06 & R07	September 2020

## 3 Further work areas of interest/Work to be programmed

3.1 The following items could be scheduled into the work programme if members wish to investigate further:

- Improving the public realm to aid the cycling and walking offer and using the sustainability agenda to green-up areas including an update on the City of Nature Vision for Birmingham.
- DFT Active Travel Fund update including an update on e-scooters, West Midlands Bike Scheme, Places for People and Low Traffic Neighbourhoods (LTNs).
- Commonwealth Games (CWG) Sustainability Pledge (TBC)
- Update on the progress made with the development of the Clean Air Strategy (TBC)
- Car Free School Streets Pilot Scheme – A review of the pilot completed in March 2021 and future proposals
- The West Midlands Combined Authority Transport Delivery Committee's work on Bus Strategy.
- An update on the status of the Highways Management & Maintenance PFI contract and future proposals following the appointment of Kier in April 2020 for an interim period.
- Environmental, Public Open Space and Transport Issues within City Council Masterplans (i.e. Smithfield) and Urban Regeneration Frameworks.
- To continue to receive regular updates on the Waste Disposal Procurement Process from Cllr O'Shea, Cabinet Member for Street Scene and Parks.
- Clean Air Zone – Operational update (TBC)
- Public Highway issues: Parking/Grass verges/pavement parking – (information from previous sessions to be circulated to members when available).

## 4 Other Meetings

### Call in Meetings

*None  
scheduled*



## Petitions

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*None  
scheduled*

## Councillor Call for Action requests

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*None  
scheduled*

It is suggested that the Committee approve Wednesday at 1400 hours as a suitable day and time each week for any additional meetings required to consider 'requests for call in' which may be lodged in respect of Executive decisions.

## Contact Officers

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## 5 Forward Plan for Cabinet Decisions

The following decisions, extracted from the Cabinet Office Forward Plan of Decisions, are likely to be relevant to the Sustainability & Transport O&S Committee's remit. **Please note this is correct at the time of publication. Highlighted rows show a change to the previously listed cabinet proposed date.**



Reference	Title	Portfolio	Proposed Date of Decision
008987/2021	Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) update	n/a	27 Jul 2021
008907/2021	Gas and Power Procurement Strategy	Finance & Resources	27 Jul 2021
008959/2021	Green Homes Grant Local Authority Delivery (LAD) 2	Homes & Neighbourhoods	27 Jul 2021
008307/2021	Perry Barr Regeneration Scheme – Full Business Case Update	Leader	27 Jul 2021
008853/2021	East Birmingham Inclusive Growth: Programme Business Case	Leader	27 Jul 2021
008531/2021	Highways and Infrastructure: Footway Crossings Policy and Information for Applicants	Transport & Environment	27 Jul 2021
008945/2021	Transfer of Local Land Charges Enquiries to HM Land Registry	Transport & Environment	27 Jul 2021
008314/2021	Adoption of Parking Supplementary Planning Document	Leader	7 Sep 2021
008965/2021	Renewal of Building Energy Management Systems	Leader	7 Sep 2021
008869/2021	Future Parks Accelerator – 25 Year City of Nature Vision	Street Scene & Parks	7 Sep 2021
008192/2021	Contribution to Decarbonising Construction of HS2 - Approval to accept Grant and Full Business Case	Transport & Environment	7 Sep 2021
008863/2021	Metro Centenary Square Extension – GBSLEP EZ additional funding	Transport & Environment	7 Sep 2021
008947/2021	Birmingham Transport Plan	Transport & Environment	7 Sep 2021
009086/2021	BCC Highway Permit Scheme	Transport & Environment	7 Sep 2021
009068/2021	Paradise Circus Update	Leader	12 Oct 2021
007349/2020	Waste Vehicle Replacement Programme	Street Scene & Parks	12 Oct 2021
005048/2018	Moor Street Queensway Public Realm Improvements Outline Business Case	Transport & Environment	12 Oct 2021
009037/2021	Highway Maintenance and Management PFI Contract	Transport & Environment	12 Oct 2021
009090/2021	Adoption of the City-wide Electric Vehicle (EV) Charge Point Strategy	Transport & Environment	12 Oct 2021
009010/2021	Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) Refresh	n/a	09 Nov 2021
009031/2022	DRAFT FINANCIAL PLAN 2022-2026	n/a	8 Feb 2022

