LTP3 Guiding Principles

- 1. We will focus on making the best use of our <u>existing</u> transport system by seeking to improve its operational efficiency.
- We are unlikely to be building any new roads ourselves to increase capacity, particularly in the short-term.
- We will try to limit additional future demand on our transport system by seeking to reduce the need to travel and placing a greater emphasis on travel choices and information to encourage the use of more sustainable modes of travel, especially at times of peak demand and in urban areas.
- We will, where appropriate, consider the need to change the balance of provision on our transport system, i.e. the balance of space available for cars, freight, buses, cycling and walking.
- We may eventually need to consider, and implement, more direct demand management interventions to ensure that our transport system can continue to function efficiently, safely and with the least possible negative impact on people and the environment.
- 2. We will use an evidence-based approach to focus investment in areas where we can achieve the maximum benefit and best value for money
- We will ensure we use relevant and high quality data and information to inform our decision-making and prioritisation processes.
- We will undertake rigorous, continuous and cost-effective monitoring of our interventions and measures to assess their impacts and effectiveness in order to provide a clear understanding of whether they are achieving their intended aim and are providing value for money.
- We will ensure that resource allocation decisions are based on our strategic transport goals and a well-defined set of policy commitments to ensure that resources are focused on delivering planned programmes of work (informed by both public feedback and evidence) rather than lists of requested measures.
- We will, where possible, focus interventions on delivering co-ordinated measures in specific geographical areas to support wider economic, environmental and social priorities, rather than seeking to spread resources thinly across the County.
- 3. We will work closely with others to address the challenges that we face
 - We must continue to develop our own knowledge and understanding of the challenges that we face and ensure that we are equipped with the necessary capabilities to do so.
 - We will seek to develop the understanding people have of the issues and challenges we face by continuing to explain and promote our long-term transport strategy, so that they are better placed to help deliver services and make informed choices and comments.
 - We will continue to involve and consult residents and stakeholders on our proposals and interventions. In doing so we will explain clearly: why we are consulting them; what we want from them; and any constraints on our ability to respond to the views that are expressed.
 - We will ensure people have access to targeted information that will enable them to make informed transport choices that are right for them.

- To encourage shared ownership and accountability, we will ensure people have access to information regarding our performance and the delivery of our LTP3 goals and activities.
- We will seek to ensure that transport continues to influence national, regional and local policies to ensure overall economic, social and environmental benefits for Leicester and Leicestershire.