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| Report of: Corporate Director Communities, Localities & Culture Originating officer(s) Margaret Cooper Head of Transportation & Highways Tony Davis, Project Manager Public Transport | | Title: Local Implementation Plan 2 Wards Affected: ALL | | |

1. **SUMMARY**

- 1.1 The Overview & Scrutiny Committee are undertaking a pre-decision scrutiny of a Cabinet report dated 1st December 2010. The Cabinet report seeks approval to submit a draft of the Local Implementation Plan (LIP2) to Transport for London (TfL) in accordance with the Council's statutory obligations and to agree a period of public consultation before finalising the document. Cabinet approval and further scrutiny, if the Committee is so minded, would take place before the final submission is made to TfL.

2. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Overview & Scrutiny Committee is recommended to:-

- 2.1 Consider and comment on the approach contained in the Cabinet Report dated 1st December 2010.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The Council has a statutory obligation to produce a second Local Implementation Plan (LIP) setting out how the Borough will implement the Mayor of London's Transport Strategy (MTS) locally as well as considering other sub-regional and borough transport strategy priorities, which are embedded in the Strategic Plan, Community Plan, LDF and supporting documentation.
- 3.2 The document will be instrumental in forming the basis of future capital investment aimed at delivering local priorities and objectives in the Community Plan. This includes the sustainable, safe and efficient movement of people and goods within and through Tower Hamlets and by contributing to the overall improvement of the quality of life in the borough for residents, workers and visitors. It will provide robust evidence to support Section 106 requests, capital bids and ad hoc external bids and will support the management of 2012 Olympic impacts and longer term Olympic legacy goals.
- 3.3 The process is dictated by having to submit a consultation draft to Transport for London by the 20th December 2010. It will then be necessary for the final document to be submitted to Cabinet sometime in the first half of 2011 for approval, after formal public consultation has taken place, and for final submission to TfL in May/June 2011 which will give a further opportunity for scrutiny post consultation.

4. BODY OF REPORT

- 4.1 Members are referred to the Cabinet report dated 1st December 2010 which was reviewed by the Mayor's Advisory Board on the 10th November 2010. The final report now presented was amended to reflect the discussion at that meeting.
- 4.2 LIP 2 will consist of three core elements:-
- an evidence-based and objective-led identification of borough transport objectives, covering the period 2011-2014 and beyond reflecting the timeframe of the revised MTS (to 2031);
 - a costed and funded delivery plan of interventions, also covering the period 2011-14 ;
 - performance monitoring plan, which will identify a set of performance indicators and locally specific targets which can be used to assess whether the plan is delivering its objectives and to determine the effectiveness of the delivery plan.
- 4.3 Supporting documents will include a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA), Health Impact Assessment (HIA) and an Equalities Impact Assessment (EIA) contained in an over-arching Integrated Impact Assessment which will be finalised post consultation. Due to the legal requirements and timing of the

Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) an initial key stakeholder consultation exercise on the SEA scoping report and the draft LIP2 Borough Transport Objectives commenced on 28th July and closed on the 8th September 2010. The opportunity was also taken to consult on the proposed transport objectives. An advertisement was placed in East End Life inviting comments as well as on the Council's website which has helped inform the initial draft report.

- 4.4 As stakeholder engagement and consultation forms an integral part of this process it is proposed that a formal consultation exercise on the emerging proposals will be undertaken in January and last for a 12 week period as outlined in Appendix 2 of the Cabinet report.

5. COMMENTS OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

- 5.1 The Cabinet report seeks approval for a consultation draft of the LIP2 document to be submitted to Transport for London by the deadline of 20th December 2010 as well as releasing the document for a 3 month period of public consultation. The report outlines at paragraph 5.4 a funding allocation for the Borough for 2011/12 of £2.990m (final allocation will be notified in December), indicative bids for this funding stream have been submitted to TfL in order to meet their deadlines, but will not be finalised until post public consultation.

6. CONCURRENT REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE (LEGAL)

- 6.1 The terms of reference of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee include advising the Cabinet of key issues or questions arising in relation to reports due to be considered by the Cabinet. The consideration of the appended report falls within these terms of reference, which in turn reflect the requirements of section 21 of the Local Government Act 2000.

7. ONE TOWER HAMLETS CONSIDERATIONS

- 7.1 The policies and interventions in the policy document set out how the Borough will implement the Mayor of London's Transport Strategy. It contains specific goals and targets relating to reducing inequalities, ensuring strong community cohesion and strengthening community leadership. It is an important component of implementing the Community Plan and will support the vision, objectives and policies of the LDF. The draft has been developed with input from the Council's Pan Disability Panel (Transport Sub Group).
- 7.2 The Integrated Impact Assessment mentioned at 6.2 of the Cabinet report will include an Equalities Impact Assessment which will form part of the final submission to TfL, covering Race, Gender, Disability, Sexual Orientation, Religion/Belief and Age.

8. SUSTAINABLE ACTION FOR A GREENER ENVIRONMENT

- 8.1 A Strategic Environmental Assessment forms an integral part of the process and there has been formal consultation already on the scoping report (see 6.10 of the Cabinet report). This assessment will help to ensure that any decisions regarding transport planning are made in a way that avoids or mitigates any adverse effects and maximises positive social, environmental and socio economic impact.
- 8.2 Objectives include promoting a transport environment that encourages sustainable travel choices and reducing the impact of transport on the environment.

9. RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1 All interventions will be closely monitored to ensure that programmes are completed on time and within budget and to ensure that the Council is not exposed to financial risk.

10. CRIME AND DISORDER REDUCTION IMPLICATIONS

- 10.1 Where projects focus on improving walking, cycling and the streetscene of the borough they will contribute to designing out crime and making people feel safer using streets locally as included in one of the proposed core objectives.

11. EFFICIENCY STATEMENT

- 11.1 In improving the street scene many of the interventions promoted in LIP 2 will reduce the need for maintenance and potentially reduce insurance claims resulting from alleged defects.
- 13.2 Targets will be set to ensure objectives are met and case studies used to benchmark some schemes.
- 13.3 All resultant Transportation & Highways Capital Schemes will be implemented using the current Framework Contracts. Efficiencies in the management and administration of this contract will continue to be delivered in 2010/11 through reductions in numbers of low value individual works orders and invoices and use of the on-line invoicing system.

Local Government Act, 1972 Section 100D (As amended)

List of "Background Papers" used in the preparation of this report

None

N/A

12. APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – 1st December 2010 LIP2 Cabinet report and associated appendices.