

**TRANSPORT BOARD**

**30<sup>th</sup> August 2019**

**ROADS IMPLEMENTATION PLAN**

**Purpose of Report**

This report provides an update on the development of the Roads Implementation Plan to support delivery of the SCR Transport Strategy.

**Thematic Priority**

Secure investment in infrastructure where it will do most to support growth.

**Freedom of Information**

The paper will be available under the Combined Authority Publication Scheme

**Recommendations**

The Board are asked to review the content of the paper and to;

1. Note the proposed process and timeline for the development of the Road Implementation Plan

**1. Introduction**

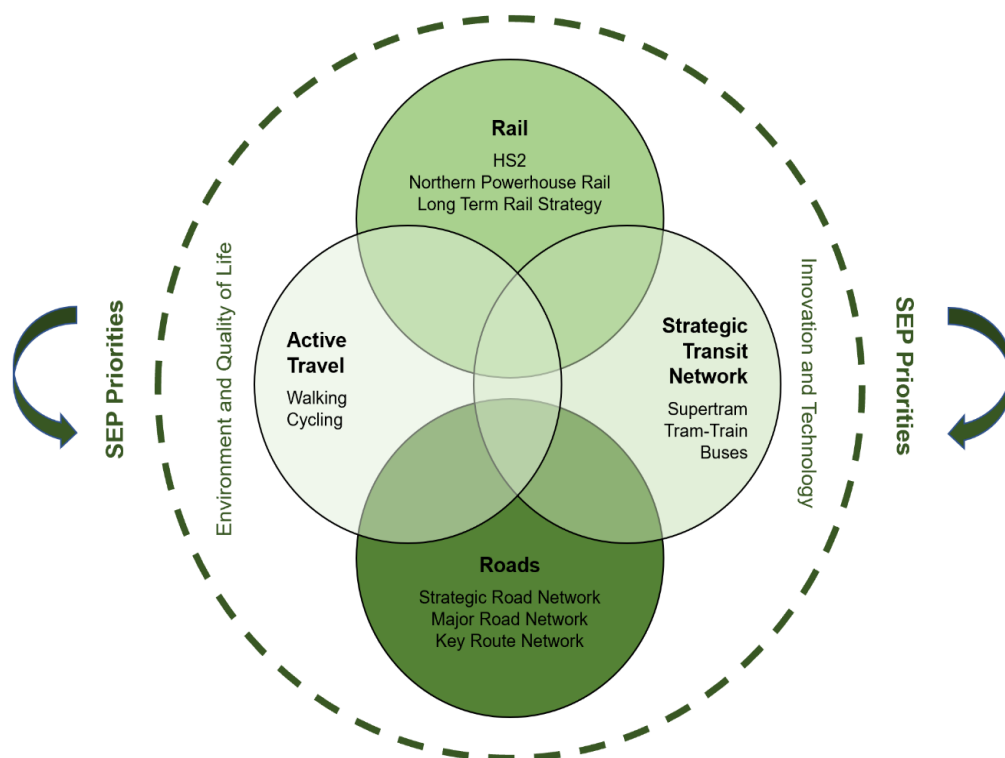
- 1.1** The Transport Act and Local Transport Act 2008 places a statutory obligation on the SCR Combined Authority (CA) to produce a Local Transport Plan (LTP). On the 30th January 2017, the CA agreed to undertake a refresh of the existing Strategy and in January 2019 the refreshed SCR Transport Strategy was adopted by the MCA.
- 1.2** Now that the SCR Transport Strategy has been adopted, work has begun on developing the future work programmes to take forward the interventions identified within the Transport Strategy. These plans called Implementation Plans will inform the development of the SCR Strategic Transit Network (STN) and will build on the Sheffield City Region Integrated Public Transport (SCRIPT) study undertaken in 2018.
- 1.3** The first of these Implementation Plans to be produced is the Integrated Rail Plan. This was adopted by the MCA in July 2019 and outlines the links between HS2, Northern Powerhouse Rail (NPR), SCR and local rail. This report relates to the development of the Roads Implementation Plan, which picks up the activities and interventions relating to the road networks within SCR.

**2. Proposal and justification**

- 2.1** Following the adoption of the Transport Strategy, SCR is working through the future work programmes to develop a pipeline of interventions in response to the vision, goals and policies described in the document. These programmes will also build on the key corridors outlined in the SCRIPT study (2018).

**2.2** SCR has identified four future programmes of work organised around rail, active travel, roads and the strategic transit network, with additional cross cutting work programmes around future mobility and air quality. There will be a degree of overlap between the work programmes as illustrated in figure 1, some of which the SCR will lead, some of which we will contribute to and some of which we will seek to influence.

Figure 1 -



**2.3** Each of the plans follows a template to offer consistency and to enable clear links to be drawn to the goals and policies of the Transport Strategy. The Roads Implementation Plan is being developed following the same template as the recently adopted Integrated Rail Plan and will show the interactions between the different hierarchies of road network within the region.

**2.4** The plan will also set out the top ten challenges with the existing road network in the SCR and the future opportunities and needs to accommodate our planned economic growth. From these challenges and opportunities, a series of objectives will be set along with interventions for delivery that are grouped into the following timeframes;

- Interventions that are either committed for delivery, or which we need to see delivered, in the next five years
- Interventions for which we aim to complete business cases in the next five years, with the aim of these interventions being delivered from the mid-2020s onwards
- Interventions for which we will do more investigation work and develop options for, in the next five years, such that these interventions could be delivered from the late 2020s onwards.

These interventions will be mapped out to clearly show the location of each of the proposed activities for delivery, an approach that will be replicated within each of the plans.

**2.5** The development of these interventions and the shaping of the document is being undertaken in partnership with stakeholders on the Strategic Transport Group and with support from the technical Network Managers Group. This partner input is critical, to ensure the Roads Implementation Plan accurately reflects the current network issues and to enable the alignment of the interventions to address those challenges.

**2.6** Whilst focussing on roads the plan will also have an increased focus on how to meet zero carbon targets and the accommodation of active travel. Therefore, wider links to active travel, air quality and future mobility will also be woven in to ensure these issues are also represented within the plan.

**2.7** The timeframe for completing the plan is indicated below. Board are asked to note this timeline for developing the plan.

Month	Progress	Activity
July		Share objectives paper with STG for Comment
		Finalise objectives based on STG feedback – Unless STG has anything else before Monday 22/7/19
		Alert STG and their Network Managers Group reps (if appropriate) that they will be asked to develop maps and input to the document throughout August - 19 <sup>th</sup> July
		Send out new skeleton document with specific requests/questions – w/c 22 <sup>nd</sup> July
August		STG work with their NMG reps/other officers to develop the maps and provide SCR with the information required. This will have to be done remotely due to a lack of meetings – throughout August
		Deadline for receipt of inputs from partners - 30 <sup>th</sup> August
September		SCR issue updated and revised version to NMG/STG for comment - by 6 <sup>th</sup> September
		Network Managers review and comment on the draft prior to it going to STG - NMG meeting 11 <sup>th</sup> Sept
		STG review and comment on the draft following NMG input – STG meeting 13 <sup>th</sup> Sept (may include discussion with TfN on monitoring mechanisms/metrics)
		SCR collate and update document with all comments from partners, issuing a final draft to NMG/STG and the TEB (new PTE Exec Board) - 27 <sup>th</sup> September
October		Comments back from NMG/STG/TEB - 4 <sup>th</sup> October
		SCR update draft and pass to designer - 11 <sup>th</sup> October
November		Document issued with papers for Transport Board - 1 <sup>st</sup> November
		Transport Board sign off the plan – 8 <sup>th</sup> November

### 3. Consideration of alternative approaches

**3.1** Work is progressing on the development of individual Implementation Plans considering the workstreams that SCR is aware of including

- Development of the Transforming Cities Fund Tranche 2 bid – Summer 2019;
- Confirmation of Highways England’s Road Investment Strategy 2 programme around the time of the Budget in November 2019.

Given the volume of work taking place on these areas of work, SCR have determined that the development of a series of implementation Plans for the four main areas of work and the cross-cutting themes is the most appropriate approach.

**3.2** The alternative approach could be to delay work on the series of implementation plans and wait until the outputs from the above workstreams are known, to then create a single plan. SCR have rejected this approach in favour of the integrated approach as this method acknowledges cross-cutting activity and provides a direct link to where SCR needs to influence other programmes and likely delivery mechanisms.

## 4. Implications

### 4.1 Financial

There are no direct financial implications arising from this paper.

### 4.2 Legal

There are no direct legal implications arising from this paper

### 4.3 Risk Management

There are no specific risks arising from this paper.

### 4.4 Equality, Diversity and Social Inclusion

The Roads Implementation Plan will take full account of equality, diversity and social inclusion.

## 5. Communications

5.1 The SCR Transport team are working alongside colleagues in the communications team to develop the Roads Implementation Plan.

## 6. Appendices/Annexes

6.1 n/a

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Other sources and references: