

National Transport Strategy Review

Overview

- The National Transport Strategy (NTS) Review has been progressed through a three-pillar approach:
 - **collaborative working** with partners with working groups focused on key issues, opportunities and challenges for our future transport system;
 - **developing a robust evidence base** to support policy choices
 - **engaging with stakeholders and citizens across Scotland** to give them a greater say in the development of transport policy
- We will undertake policy testing with stakeholders in the first half of 2019, before initiating formal public consultation of NTS2 later in the year. There will also be further opportunities in 2019 to engage on the Review more generally. The final NTS2 strategy will be produced at the end of 2019.
- NTS2 will inform an update to the Strategic Transport Projects Review.

Strategic Framework:

- The Strategic Framework Working Group developed a vision statement for the new strategy, four themes and twelve underlying outcomes. The group tested this with colleagues - a number of responses were received and the framework was refined accordingly before being shared with the NTS Review Board.
- As a result, our draft vision statement is: 'Scotland will have a cleaner, inclusive and accessible transport system helping to deliver a healthier, prosperous and fairer nation for communities, businesses and visitors.' *[see Annex A: Strategic Framework diagram]*
- The framework reflects that transport is an enabler which supports wider outcomes: Helps our Economy Prosper, Improves our Health and Wellbeing, Takes Climate Action and Promotes Equality.
- We continue to work collaboratively on policies to support delivery of our vision including a formal assessment of policies proposed by working groups.

Transport Governance:

- The NTS Review includes a review of Transport Governance which will build on the work of the NTS Refresh (2016) and further clarify, and possibly modify, existing transport roles and responsibilities nationally, regionally and locally. All areas of transport are within scope to ensure this is properly a review of transport governance and this is being taken forward through the collaborative approach by the Roles and Responsibilities Working Group.
- This group is co-chaired by the Deputy Director for Perth & Kinross Council/SOLACE transport representative and a Transport Scotland official. Membership of the group includes Transport Scotland, Scottish Government Planning and Enterprise & Skills, SCOTS, COSLA, Clydeplan, Heads of Planning Scotland (HOPs), Sustrans and two RTP representatives (SPT and Nestrans).
- We welcome the work undertaken by the group reviewing transport governance and are committed to considering the emerging recommendation.

NTS Review – Other Strands:

- Stakeholder Engagement: to date we have presented at 74 different events, reaching over 2,400 people across Scotland, including Kirkwall, Brodick, Lerwick, Stornoway and a meeting with Argyll and Bute Council. There was also a dedicated event on links between the NTS Review and rural perspectives at the Scottish Rural Transport Conference in Inverness in September 2018. Survey activity has engaged almost a further 900 people with our Young Scot survey reaching urban, rural and island communities.
- Policy Assessment: consultants from Peter Brett Associates (PBA) have been appointed to undertake formal assessment of emerging policies. They are currently unifying the outputs of the four thematic groups and linking to the four key themes of the NTS vision and outcomes framework prior to the assessment phase.
- Evidence Base: we continue to add to the evidence base to help inform emerging policy proposals building on the published Call for Evidence with 800 citations of evidence from 66 responses.

Strategic Framework Diagram



Developed by the Strategic Framework Working Group – diagram shows the vision statement, four themes (Promotes Equality, Helps our Economy Prosper, Takes Climate Action, Improves our Health and Wellbeing) and twelve outcomes.

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