

Note on Integrated Transport Strategy Indications

With the levels of congestion and air pollution experienced on the existing network, it is clear that a degree of transport impact mitigation will be required for this Local Plan Review.

Early transport modelling outputs have confirmed that mitigations will be required in any spatial allocation pattern scenario, though there are varying degrees of mitigation required and opportunities for mitigation inherent in different scenarios.

Development of a new Integrated Transport Strategy, which contains a list of measures to mitigate against the transport impacts of growth, has begun. Works to date include:

- An officer workshop (KCC, MBC & Highways England) highlighting potential issues, opportunities and collaborations.
- An external stakeholder workshop (Southeastern Rail, Arriva, Nu-Venture, Kent Police, NHS, Kent Community Rail Partnership) highlighting potential issues, opportunities and collaborations.
- A series of Member workshops, reporting on transport modelling progress to date, highlighting potential issues and opportunities.

Further Member engagement workshops are planned to be undertaken in the coming weeks, with further presentation of transport modelling outputs to date included as appropriate.

Stage 1 transport modelling (in progress – final tests and reporting underway, due for completion imminently) provides evidence of the degree of mitigations required and recommendations around how to best achieve meaningful mitigations. This stage is area and hotspot based, so does not provide site or scheme specific analysis.

Stage 2 transport modelling is set to be run using the Kent Model and will provide detailed assessments of impacts and proposed mitigations.