

Agenda Item 8.1

To all Parish & Town Councils

Your ref:

Our ref: LTP 2024-25

Enquiries to: Highways Programme

Email: HighwaysProgramme@northumberland.gov.uk

Date: 15th May 2022

Dear Sir/Madam,

Local Transport Plan Capital Programme 2024-25

We are starting the process to prepare our Local Transport Plan (LTP) Capital Programme for 2024/25. As part of this process, we would like to know what your **top three** highways and transport priority issues are for your area, so that they can be considered for inclusion in the Programme.

The annual LTP capital programme is a programme of interventions that will be undertaken to achieve the objectives of the North East Transport Plan (NETP).

The North East Transport Plan is the first comprehensive Transport Plan for the region, providing a transport strategy for the seven local authorities in North East England: Durham, Gateshead, Newcastle upon Tyne, North Tyneside, Northumberland, South Tyneside, and Sunderland.

The NETP is centred on connecting people to good employment opportunities, generating economic growth, while enabling the region and its people to move to healthier and greener more sustainable ways of travel.

Our assessment criteria when assessing priorities submitted will be aligned with those of the NETP. Provided with this letter is a set of guidance notes to assist you in deciding your priorities.

- Enclosed is a record of requests contained in our Directory of Requests Database.
- This is simply a record of requests previously received and not proposals.
- It is for the Parish or Town Council to determine up to 3 priorities to be considered.
- Previous years priorities can be re-submitted.
- Only the 3 priorities selected will be considered.
- Any issue can be included as a priority even if it is not on the Directory of Requests.
- Inclusion on a combined list of priorities for consideration does not imply that a scheme will be successfully included in the capital programme.

Your input to put forward details of schemes which you consider are a local priority is valued and assists us to develop an LTP Capital Programme that reflects local needs. As I'm sure you will appreciate, it isn't possible for everyone's priorities to make it into the final agreed programme, but the priority issues you submit will be





considered against the LTP criteria, and those with the highest ranking will be considered for inclusion in the Programme.

You are asked to submit your priorities by email to highwaysprogramme@northumberland.gov.uk before **Friday**28th July 2022. Please note that this is earlier than in previous years. We have brought the timetable for requests for priorities forward to allow more time to assess the requests that are submitted.

Finally, I would also like to confirm that the LTP Capital Programme for 2023/24 has now been approved and is underway. If you submitted priorities for consideration for the 2023/24 programme, feedback on these is enclosed with this letter. Copies of the delegated decision report and appendices detailing the approved programme for 2022/23 can be found under LTP Programme on the following webpage https://www.northumberland.gov.uk/Highways/Transport-policy/Transport-plan.aspx.

Should you have any queries when it comes to submitting your future priorities, officers will be happy to provide advice as necessary to make the process more straight forward for those who may require assistance.

Yours sincerely,

Robin McCartney

Highways Infrastructure Manager



