

1. Introduction

1.1 Background

This transport plan for Hammersmith & Fulham is the second Local Implementation Plan (LIP2), a statutory document. This has been prepared under Section 145 of the Greater London Authority Act 1999, which sets out how a London borough proposes to implement the Mayor's Transport Strategy in its area.

The first Hammersmith & Fulham LIP covered the period 2005/6 to 2010/11. Our LIP2 covers the same period as the second Mayor's Transport Strategy (MTS2) - up to 2031- and includes delivery proposals for the period 2011/12 to 2013/14. It responds to MTS2, the emerging sub-regional transport plans (SRTS), Hammersmith & Fulham's emerging Local Development Plan (LDF), the Hammersmith & Fulham Community Strategy and other relevant policies. It sets out the council's long term goals and transport objectives for Hammersmith & Fulham up to 2031, a three year programme of investment for 2011-14, and the targets and outcomes we are seeking to achieve.

The LIP2 identifies how we will work towards achieving the revised MTS2 goals of:

- **Supporting economic development and population growth**
- **Enhancing the quality of life for all Londoners**
- **Improving the safety and security of all Londoners**
- **Improving transport opportunities for all Londoners**
- **Reducing transport's contribution to climate change and improving its resilience**
- **Support delivery of the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games and its legacy.**

The LIP2 is also a vital tool which will enable us to strengthen our role in shaping the identity of the borough and meeting community priorities.

1.2 How the LIP2 has been developed

The second H&F LIP has been developed in accordance with Transport for London's (TfL) Guidance on Developing the Second Local Implementation Plans, May 2010

- **Governance arrangements**

The LIP2 has been developed by a multi-disciplinary team in the Highways and Engineering and Planning divisions of the council's Environment Department, with regular liaison with the Deputy Leader of the council and Cabinet Member for Environment and Asset Management.

- **Consultation**

In developing the second LIP a multi-stage consultation strategy was agreed exceeding the requirements for consultation as part of the LIP2 guidance. The consultation strategy is detailed in Appendix 2 and our statement of community engagement, at page 80.

To summarise, the first stage of the consultation informed the statutory consultees and known organisations interested in transport about the strategy of how we intended to produce the LIP. The second stage saw the publication of our seven borough transport objectives and invitations for all stakeholders to comment on how best they thought we could deliver them. The third stage consists of this consultation draft LIP2 being submitted to TfL and its full publication on the council's website.

The following key stakeholders have been consulted on the plan at various stages in its development:

- Transport for London (TfL)
- Hafad (Hammersmith & Fulham Action on Disability) and Hammersmith & Fulham Disability Forum
- The town centre management for Hammersmith, Shepherd's Bush and Fulham.
- The council's Environment and Residents Services Select Committee
- Neighbouring boroughs (the London Boroughs of Brent, Ealing, Hounslow, Richmond-upon-Thames, Wandsworth and the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea).
- The sub-regional partnerships to which we belong – Westrans and South & West London Transport Conference (SWELTRAC)
- The Metropolitan Police.

We have paid particular attention to the Hammersmith & Fulham Community Strategy (2007-14) as well as the council's Unitary Development Plan and the emerging Local Development Framework.

The results of the consultation are reported at relevant points within the plan and in full in the statement of community engagement (see Appendix 2).

- **Equality Impact Assessment (EIA)**

In preparing our delivery plan (Chapter 3) an Equality Impact Assessment has been undertaken to ensure that the proposals presented do not discriminate against any groups and that equality is promoted wherever possible. We have a duty to carry out an equality impact assessment of our LIP2 under race, disability and gender legislation. This is attached as Appendix 1.

- **Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)**

A Strategic Environmental Assessment has been prepared in parallel with the LIP and is included as Appendix 3. As per the European Directive, the draft scoping report was consulted on for five weeks from 17 September 2010 to 15 October 2010. Letters were sent to the six statutory consultees (as listed below) and the draft scoping report was published on our web site.

1. English Heritage
2. Environment Agency
3. Groundwork London
4. Natural England

5. Friends of the Earth
6. London Wildlife Trust

The council received one response to this consultation from Natural England. Those comments, and the council's response to Natural England, can be found in the final environmental report in Appendix 3.

1.3 Structure of the H&F LIP2

The rest of the document is structured as follows:

- Chapter 2 sets out the local transport context of the borough, the problems, challenges and opportunities facing us and our Borough Transport Objectives
- Chapter 3 presents a costed and funded Delivery Plan, covering the period 2011 - 2014
- Chapter 4 sets out our Performance Monitoring Plan, identifying the targets and indicators which will be used to monitor progress against our objectives.

