

CHAPTER I - INTRODUCTION

1.1 What is a Local Transport Plan?

A Local Transport Plan (LTP) sets out how strategic transport improvements will be delivered in a local area over a specified time period.

Whilst the Local Transport Act 2008 retained the statutory requirement to produce and review a LTP, however local authorities were given greater flexibility over particular aspects in developing their third Local Transport Plans (LTP3). This chapter provides an overview of LTP3 and associated documents.

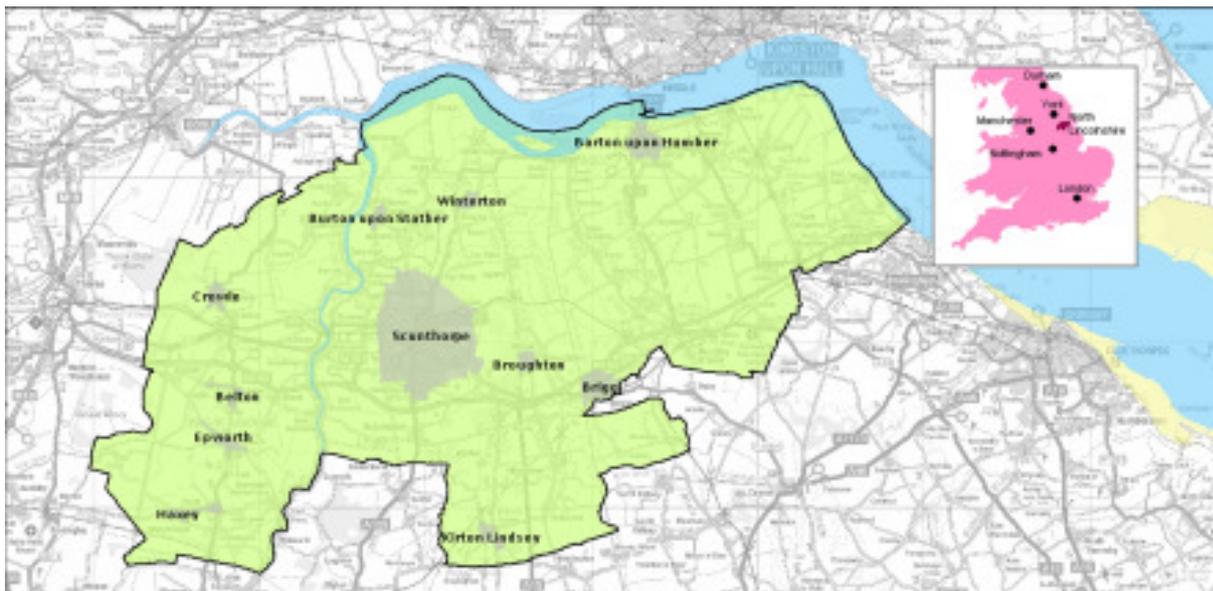
1.2 North Lincolnshire's Third Local Transport Plan

North Lincolnshire's LTP3 consists of a Transport Strategy (this document) and an Implementation Plan, which is detailed in a separate document.

Whilst this document outlines the strategic approach to transport in North Lincolnshire over the next 15 years, the Implementation Plan provides specific details on how the Transport Strategy is to be delivered and will be updated every three years during the life of LTP3.

In terms of coverage LTP3 is the same as the previous documents, in that it extends to North Lincolnshire's local authority boundaries. Where there are clear cross boundary links with neighbouring areas, these have been considered. Figure 1.1 shows the area of North Lincolnshire.

Figure 1.1: North Lincolnshire



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1.3 Local Transport Plan Framework

LTP3 was submitted to the Department for Transport in March 2011. The Transport Strategy is a 15 year document, whereas the Implementation Plan outlined the programme for delivering the Transport Strategy from April 2011 to March 2014.

It was agreed that as part of the ongoing monitoring of the LTP, that the Transport Strategy should be updated every three years, if necessary. Since LTP3 was published there have been significant policy changes at the European national, regional and local level. The Transport Strategy has been revised to reflect these changes.

1.4 Summary of Chapters

This chapter has introduced North Lincolnshire's Local Transport Plan 3 by providing an overview of the LTP process and by setting out a framework for the Transport Strategy and Implementation Plan.

Chapter 2 – Strategic Planning Context: considers the Strategic Planning Context at the European, national, regional, city regional and local levels.

Chapter 3 – The Local Profile, Problems and Challenges: considers the local profile, problems and challenges by reviewing the existing transport network and future travel demands in North Lincolnshire.

Chapter 4 – Local Transport Goals: sets out the Vision for 2026 and Local Transport Goals that will shape the future direction of transport in North Lincolnshire over the 15 year LTP3 period.

Chapter 5 – Consultation: reviews the outcomes from the consultation undertaken in 2010/11 and the progress made by the council in addressing them.

Chapter 6 – Existing Transport Documents: outlines and appraises the local transport strategies and studies and their policies and recommendations.

Chapter 7 - Transport Options: outlines and appraises the various transport options being considered as part of the Transport Strategy.

Chapter 8 - Prioritisation: outlines the transport options that are to be taken forward as part of the Transport Strategy.

Chapter 9 - Summary: summarises the development of the Transport Strategy.