Addresses to Delegated Decisions by Cabinet Member for Transport Management Meeting
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BSIP Delivery Plan

From: Robin Tucker, Co-Chair of the Coalition for Healthy Streets and Active Travel.

CoHSAT, is the Coalition for Healthy Streets and Active Travel, and we include bus travel in our vision because bus users on average walk an extra 20 minutes a day, and buses are a vital complement to walking, wheeling and cycling for longer journeys.

As such, we support this BSIP Delivery Plan and the proposals within it. For people who say we should have carrots to use public transport, this contains £7million of carrots in the form of ticket subsidies, extra routes and boosted frequencies. The capital schemes for bus stops and bus priority we also support. As Danny Yee notes, the design of road schemes is critical to walkers, wheelers and cyclists, and we need to be engaged at an early stage.

The Citizens' Assembly, 34 representative and well-informed citizens, were also big fans of buses.
They recommended going beyond the current plan for traffic filters with a car-free city centre, more attractive to visitors, and so buses and bikes are needed to move more people in less space.
They wanted not just lanes, but whole roads designated for buses, cycles and taxis.
They wanted more simple, affordable and well-explained tickets, particularly for young people – MyBus is the right direction, but the message needs to get out more.

They also looked further ahead to where an expanded Zero Emission Zone and Workplace Parking Levy provide less congested routes, funds for mobility hubs and better services from them.

Most importantly, they recognised that something had to be done, rather than just complaining about the traffic and then having no policy to address it. They, like you with this BSIP, recognise that a mix of traffic management, public transport and active travel is the only way out of the jams we are in. In conclusion, we support this BSIP plan and encourage you to go further, with an integrated transport view.