Annex 6 - Local Transport and Connectivity Plan monitoring

LTCP headline targets

The adopted Local Transport and Connectivity Plan (LTCP) includes a set of headline targets. These were identified in order to quantify progress made on delivering the vision and ensure that we are on track to deliver the LTCPs objectives. The headline targets are included below for reference.

By 2030 our targets are to:

- Replace or remove 1 out of every 4 current car trips in Oxfordshire
- Increase the number of cycle trips in Oxfordshire from 600,000 to 1 million cycle trips per week
- Reduce road fatalities or life changing injuries by 50%

By 2040 our targets are to:

- Deliver a net-zero transport network
- Replace or remove an additional 1 out of 3 car trips in Oxfordshire

By 2050 our targets are to:

- Deliver a transport network that contributes to a climate positive future
- Have zero, or as close as possible, road fatalities or life-changing injuries

In support of the headline targets the LTCP also includes a set of key performance indicators (KPIs). These are a more detailed set of indicators that will be monitored on an annual basis. Annual monitoring reports will be published to demonstrate progress on delivering the LTCP, progress made against the headline targets and performance against the KPIs.

Current position

Work is currently ongoing to create a monitoring tool for the LTCP. This seeks to combine data sources to allow monitoring of the LTCP targets and KPIs in one platform.

There is not a readily available data source for the quantum of car trips across Oxfordshire and it has not previously been monitored by OCC. Therefore, work is ongoing to establish how we can successfully monitor vehicular trips and how this work can be resourced.

Once a methodology has been established, officers will update portfolio holders and wider member groups and once agreed the LTCP will be updated with the number of car trips.

Scope of work

To support the development of the LTCP monitoring tool, officers are working with the council's Innovation Hub (iHUB). This work has included developing a scope and work programme for the tool and beginning to map existing data sources. Two funding bids have also been submitted to the governments 'Regulators Pioneer Fund'.

The two bids request funds to build the LTCP monitoring tool or Local Authority TRansport Impact Monitoring (LATRIM). A summary of each bid is provided below:

RPF/LATRIM 1 - Project LATRIM1 is part of a two-bid sequence, aiming to develop a tool for monitoring the implementation of Oxfordshire County Council's Local Transport and Connectivity Plan. LATRIM1 will build a data hub, combing various transport data sets. The output of the project will enable the development of data analysis tools needed to monitor specific targets.

RPF/LATRIM 2 - Project LATRIM2 is part of a two-bid sequence, aiming to develop a tool for monitoring the effects of the implementation of Oxfordshire County Council's Local Transport and Connectivity Plan. It builds on the previously developed data hub to develop tools for monitoring specific targets and key performance indicators. The tool will allow evidence-based decision-making process to be adopted by the council.

The bids were submitted on 30 September 2022, with successful bidders being notified by November 2022. Alternative funding has been identified to begin progressing the project if the bids are unsuccessful.

Governance

The LTCP Steering Group will continue to provide support and advise on matters relating to further work to support LTCP 'part 1' and development of 'part 2' supporting strategies. This was agreed with the group at the September 2022 meeting and will include input on the development of the monitoring tool.

As mentioned previously, officers will update portfolio holders and wider member groups on progress with the LTCP monitoring tool and proposed methodologies. Further opportunities to involve members, such as through the establishment of a Scrutiny Working Group, will also be considered.

Timescales

Anticipated timescales for work on LTCP monitoring are outlined below. Please note that these assume both Regulators Pioneer Fund bids are successful.

- November 2022 Regulators Pioneer Fund outcomes
- January 2023 August 2023 Project LATRIM1
- August 2023 LTCP annual monitoring report published
- September 2023 March 2025 Project LATRIM2

October 2022