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REPORT TO: CITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – 7 MARCH 2022

REPORT ON: SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT STRATEGIC DELIVERY FRAMEWORK

REPORT BY: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CITY DEVELOPMENT

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1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report provides a summary of the proposed approach to developing a strategic framework for sustainable transport infrastructure between 2023 and 2033, comprising of the Regional Transport Strategy and a proposed new Dundee City Sustainable Transport Delivery Plan.

2 RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Committee remits the Head of Sustainable Transport & Roads to:
 - a work with Tactran to shape the Regional Transport Strategy; and
 - b prepare a draft Dundee City Sustainable Transport Delivery Plan for stakeholder consultation.

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The Delivery Plan will be prepared by the Head of Sustainable Transport & Roads and the costs associated with this will be contained within the City Development revenue budget for 2022/2023.

4 BACKGROUND

- 4.1 Strategic transport planning requires to set the city's needs in a regional context. The Regional Transport Partnership, Tactran, is preparing a new Regional Transport Strategy, scheduled to be published in the summer of 2023, for the period of 2023 to 2033. This takes cognisance of the National Transport Strategy's overarching objectives, policies, and targets, and formulates a strategy to achieve these objectives through implementation of regional interventions.
- 4.2 In order to shape sustainable transport at a city level, it is proposed to develop for the first time a Sustainable Transport Delivery Plan to complement the Regional Transport Strategy, and provide a secondary layer of delivery detail to the regional objectives. The Delivery Plan will inform the future Local Development Plan and contribute to the objectives of the Climate Change Action Plan by developing a transport system that encourages active travel and promotes public transport.
- 4.3 The Sustainable Transport Delivery Plan will not replicate the work of the Regional Transport Strategy, and is intended to be read in conjunction with the Regional Transport Strategy which will set out the future transport vision determined through stakeholder and public consultation. The Delivery Plan will focus on local level project interventions associated with sustainable forms of transportation and not expand on national and regional transport interventions identified in the Strategic Transport Projects Review such as cross boundary provisions of rail, aviation, and trunk road projects which are encompassed with the Regional Transport Strategy.

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4.4 The modes of transportation to be encompassed in the Sustainable Transport Delivery Plan are; active travel; bus services; mobility as a service; and low carbon vehicle infrastructure.

5 ACTIVE TRAVEL

- 5.1 The Sustainable Transport Delivery Plan will:
 - a detail the planned network of strategic active freeway routes in the city, and the secondary network of local connector routes and spurs;
 - b outline the expansion of E-Bike hire provision and detail infrastructure connections and storage plans for sites of bus and cycle interchange;
 - c provide details of cycle storage provision growth including shared public visitor provision at strategic locations, and the phased implementation of a residential storage hire scheme for high population density community settings; and
 - d set out a programme for improved road safety for cyclists and pedestrians through the implementation of further School Streets interventions at the City's Primary Schools, and 20mph speed restrictions within appropriate residential roads networks.

6 BUS SERVICES

- 6.1 The Sustainable Transport Delivery Plan will:
 - a detail the key bus priority corridors assessed through the national appraisal procedure as optimal to develop;
 - b identify enabling requirements to access funding to develop bus priority infrastructure, and identify the programme for consultation, proposal development, and implementation; and
 - c provide a programme of bus stop rationalisation aimed to improve public transport journey times through consolidating route service stops, establishing a standardised frequency in relation to density of amenities and positions of interchange and onward connectivity.

7 MOBILITY AS A SERVICE (MAAS)

- 7.1 The Sustainable Transport Delivery Plan will:
 - a outline the objectives for sustainable visitor journeys and the role of MaaS in reducing private car use through multi-modal transport provision in a digitally enabled environment of transaction and information conveyance;
 - b detail the demand growth forecast of shared mobility provision in car club vehicles and other forms of shared mobility; and
 - c identify locations for principal mobility hubs at positions such as public transport interchanges and strategic gateway routes, and also micro mobility hubs at community and recreational settings.

8 LOW CARBON VEHICLE INFRASTRUCTURE

- 8.1 The Sustainable Transport Delivery Plan:
 - a detail the capacity growth profile of electric vehicles in Dundee and present demand projection details of the geographical requirements for public charging infrastructure within the city over future years;

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b set out the priorities for further infrastructure capacity to meet the electric vehicle growth profiles; and

c outline the initial objectives for facilitating hydrogen production and refuelling provision.

9 NEXT STEPS

- 9.1 The Sustainable Transport Delivery Plan will be released in conjunction with the Regional Transport Strategy in the summer of 2023. The co-ordinated reporting schedule will provide for the overarching context contained within the Regional Transport Strategy to be read in conjunction with the detail of the local level delivery plan.
- 9.2 The draft Delivery Plan will be issued to stakeholders in early 2023 for consultation prior to finalising the draft plan. Following the stakeholder consultation, the final plan will be presented to the City Development committee for consideration of approval.

10 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

10.1 This report has been subject to an assessment of any impacts on Equality and Diversity, Fairness and Poverty, Environment and Corporate Risk. There are no major issues.

11 CONSULTATIONS

11.1 The Council Management Team were consulted in the preparation of this report.

12 BACKGROUND PAPERS

12.1 None.

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