

Meeting:	JOINT COMMITTEE ON STRATEGIC PLANNING AND TRANSPORT
Date:	8 th June 2018
From:	Joint Officer Steering Group

ITEM: 9

Transport Update

1 SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report provides the Committee with an update on the transport related issues across the Greater Nottingham conurbation. The report provides an update on Transport Funding, and a Rail Update.

2 BACKGROUND

Transport Funding Update

- 2.2 On the 13th March 2018, the Department for Transport announced details regarding the Transforming Cities fund. £840m will be made available nationally up to 2021/22. The aim of the fund is to invest in new local transport infrastructure to produce a step-change in connectivity. The fund is not for a collection of small transport projects.
- 2.3 The bidding process for this fund is split into two stages. The first aims to identify city regions. Joint working across authorities are encouraged. After this shortlisting process, the selected areas would then be required to submit a full business case.
- 2.4 Bids for the shortlisting exercise needs to be submitted by the 8th June 2018.

Rail update

- 2.5 On the 20th May 2018, the new national rail timetable came into force over the rail network. This has seen a large number of services nationally being altered across the rail network. From the timetable change on 20 May 2018 until 2020, East Midlands Trains peak-time services will no longer call at Bedford or Luton. Instead, a rail-replacement coach service would be provided from Wellingborough for those requiring connections. Direct East Midlands Trains rail services will continue to run from Leicestershire and Northamptonshire to London, and will continue to call at Luton Airport Parkway throughout the day. Off-peak and weekend services will continue to call at Bedford and Luton.
- 2.6 Works are progressing on the Derby re-signalling project. This will see track and signaling replacement, as well as two new platforms being provided in Derby station. The works planned to take place this summer from 22nd July through to 7th October, will affect all rail services through Derby, including the Matlock-Newark Castle service as well as Nottingham-Birmingham Cross-Country services.

3 RECOMMENDATION(S)

- 3.1 It is recommended that the Committee consider and comment on the information provided.

4 BACKGROUND PAPERS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

- 4.1 Transforming Cities Fund announcement, DfT, March 2018

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