

	<p>Policy and Resources Committee</p> <p>10th October 2017</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Title</p>	<p>London Borough of Barnet’s Consultation Response to the draft Mayor’s Transport Strategy 2017</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Report of</p>	<p>Strategic Director, Environment</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Wards</p>	<p>All</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;">Urgent</p>	<p>No</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Key</p>	<p>No</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Enclosures</p>	<p>Appendix A: London Borough of Barnet’s Consultation Response to the draft Mayor’s Transport Strategy 2017</p>
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<h2>Summary</h2>
<p>This report contains the London Borough of Barnet’s response to the Draft Mayor’s Transport Strategy (MTS) 2017 consultation. The consultation period ended on October 2nd 2017, but the Council has agreed with the MTS Consultation Team to formally submit its final response following approval from Policy and Resources Committee. Input from Environment Committee has been sought and has been incorporated into this draft response.</p>

<h2>Recommendations</h2>
<p>1. That Policy and Resources Committee agree the response (see Appendix A) from the London Borough of Barnet to the draft MTS consultation ahead of submission to the Mayor for London’s Office.</p>

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

1.1 In June 2017 the Mayor of London issued the draft Mayor’s Transport Strategy 2017 for consultation. This is a significant document which outlines

the Mayor's intended long-term approach towards transport in London up until 2041. As such this is an important consultation for Barnet and the Authority's forthcoming Long-Term Transport Strategy.

- 1.2 The Mayor's Transport Strategy Draft 2017, will, when finished, form the third Mayor's Transport Strategy. The strategy seeks to support a significant shift in how Londoners travel, and foster a transport system that is sustainable, efficient and can deliver positive health outcomes.
- 1.3 The Mayor's Transport Strategy Draft 2017 document seeks to create a step-change in the way people move around London as a whole, with the focus being on policy change rather than on hard measures and infrastructure schemes.
- 1.4 The document focuses heavily on reducing car-use, and the reasons for this in relation to improving health and facilitating growth are strongly argued.
- 1.5 The document requires boroughs to provide traffic reduction strategies to meet targets, and TfL will monitor progress through the LIP (Local Implementation Plan) process.
- 1.6 The council's draft response incorporates feedback from the Environment Committee which provided comments at its meeting on 11 September.

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 Appendix A is the London Borough of Barnet's formal consultation response to the draft MTS.
- 2.2 The London Borough of Barnet's response has been formulated through consultation with various departments and teams within the Council, and we believe that the response addresses all concerns, challenges and positive remarks made during this internal consultation process. A paper outlining the key themes and comments of Barnet's final response was agreed by Environment Committee on September 11th 2017.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

- 3.1 The Authority could choose to not respond to the consultation, but this would not be appropriate considering the strategic importance of the Mayor's Transport Strategy and its likely links with the London Borough of Barnet's own forthcoming Long-Term Transport Strategy.

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

- 4.1 Following the approval of this committee, the final response will then be formally submitted to the Mayor's office.
- 4.2 A consultation response document will be provided by the Mayor of London once all responses have been reviewed, outlining key themes, further work

required by the Mayor, likely amendments to the document and a date for the final document to be published.

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

The London Borough of Barnet's response to the consultation supports our position in terms of transport and regeneration objectives for the Borough and are written to support the corporate and performance objectives of the authority in the following areas

- **Fairness:** By seeking to balance the needs of different groups of residents and providing various modes of transport that provide access to essential services, education and employment.
- **Responsibility:** By recognising that the existing traditional travel modes within the borough are leading to long term issues with air quality and congestion which means that action must be taken to provide and promote alternative travel modes.
- **Opportunity:** By making multiple travel modes accessible and practical to all resident groups.

5.1.1 Health and Wellbeing Strategy

The response will also complement the Health and Wellbeing Strategy by promoting and expanding healthy sustainable travel modes, such as walking and cycling.

5.2 Resources (Finance & Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)

5.2.1 Implications are summarised below:

- The need to prepare a Local Implementation Plan (LIP) 3 document next year is estimated to cost up to £10k however this is included within the Re output spec.
- LIP projects' funding, for capital and revenue transport projects within the borough, could be potentially reduced if we do not accord with the strategy outcomes and objectives required by the emerging Mayor's Transport Strategy. This currently amounts to approximately £4.5-5m per annum.

5.3 Social Value

5.3.1 The Public Services (Social Value) Act 2012 is not relevant in the context of this report.

5.4 Legal and Constitutional References

5.4.1 Greater London Authority Act 1999 (GLA Act) Part IV Chapter I governs the preparation of a Transport Strategy by the Mayor of London.

5.4.2 The Constitution section 15 Responsibility for Functions (Annex A - Membership and Terms of Reference of Committees, Sub-Committees and Partnership Boards) provides that the Policy and Resources Committee has specific responsibilities: 'To be the principal means by which advice on strategic policy and plans is given and co-ordinated' and 'To represent Barnet's strategic interests in dealings with sub-regional, regional and national Government and influence relevant tiers of Government'.

5.5 Risk Management

5.5.1 The key risk relating to the Mayor's Transport Strategy is that failure to sufficiently comply with the document, and satisfy TfL, would put significant future transport funding at risk.

5.6 Equalities and Diversity

5.6.1 The consultation draft Mayor's Transport Strategy has been subject to an integrated impacts assessment which includes assessment of equalities impacts. In terms of equalities and inclusion the draft was assessed as having a minor to moderate positive effect.

5.7 Consultation and Engagement

5.7.1 Various teams have been consulted in the development of a proposed response to the Mayor's Transport Strategy. This report includes comments from:

- Regeneration
- Public Health
- Environmental Services
- Highways

5.7.2 The draft response has also been shared with Family & Adult Services, and Education for comments and insights.

5.8 Insight

5.8.1 The consultation response sets out information gathered from various departments within the Council, to ensure that there is a corporate response that represents the issues arising for the overall organisation.

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 6.1 A copy of the draft Mayor's Transport Strategy 2017 can be found at the following link: https://consultations.tfl.gov.uk/policy/mayors-transport-strategy/user_uploads/pub16_001_mts_online-2.pdf
- 6.2 A copy of the paper presented to Environment Committee on September 11th 2017 can be found at the following link: <https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s42013/Appendix%20A%20-%20Enclosure%20Mayors%20Transport%20Strategy%20LBB%20Main%20Themes%20Summary%20Discussion%20Paper%20for%20publis.pdf>