

Local Implementation Plan Annual Progress Report 2009/10 to 2011/12

Overview



INTRODUCTION

Islington Council's Sustainable Transport Strategy (STS) sets out the council's key transport objectives, policies and targets, as well as the transport improvements required to achieve those targets during the period 2006-2016. The STS is based on the 'One Islington' priorities of 'Listening to Islington', 'Stronger communities' and 'A greener, cleaner and safer borough'.

The STS aims to make Islington's transport system more safe, accessible, green, efficient, secure and attractive, and generally seeks to improve the quality of life for the borough's residents, businesses and visitors. The strategy contains the council's 'Local Implementation Plan' (LIP) stating how the Mayor of London's Transport Strategy for London will be implemented in Islington. The Mayor of London approved the council's LIP in October 2006, and the council's Executive adopted the STS (incorporating the LIP) in December 2006. This followed more than two years of development and consultation – including extensive consultation with Local Area Committees.

The STS is available on the council's web site (<http://www.islington.gov.uk/Transport/SustainableTransportStrategy>) and hard copies are available at all Islington libraries.

Full implementation of the strategy between 2006 and 2016 would see a huge range of transport improvements in Islington, including the following key achievements:

- significant reduction of road traffic casualties in line with national targets
- with more than a 50% reduction in the total number of people killed or seriously injured between 1994 and 2010
- improved road conditions on borough-controlled roads
- reduction of road traffic and congestion levels
- a significant increase in walking, with a 25% increase in trips per day between 2001 and 2015
- a significant increase in cycling, with an 80% increase in trips per day between 2001 and 2011
- every junction and crossing point made wheelchair accessible
- completion and continued expansion and improvement of the London Cycle Network (LCN+)
- school travel plans for all primary and secondary schools
- delivery of school road safety measures and education programmes in every school
- car club pay-as-you-drive vehicles within five to ten minutes walk of all households
- and much more as outlined in chapter 4 of the STS

Targets that will be monitored during implementation of the strategy will include:

- significantly reducing road traffic casualties
- reviewing road safety and producing school travel plans for all primary and secondary schools in the borough
- meeting London-wide traffic reduction targets despite significant population and employment growth in Islington
- significantly increasing walking and cycling in Islington
- bringing roads and footways up to a state of good repair

However, implementation of the strategy is subject to the council's ability to secure a significant amount of funding from a range of sources. Each year the council submits a funding bid to Transport for London (TfL). In the past this has been called the 'Borough

Spending Plan' (BSP) or the 'Local Implementation Plan Reporting and Funding' (LIP R&F) submission. For the last two years it has been called the 'Local Implementation Plan Annual Progress Report' (LIP APR), incorporating an annual progress report on implementation of boroughs' Local Implementation Plans, and a funding submission for future years.

Funding secured through the LIP APR process will be used to deliver the council's transport objectives, policies, proposals as set out in the STS. To enable the council to meet the ambitious targets set out in the STS, it is likely that significantly higher levels of funding will be required than has been available to Islington Council in recent years. TfL is a key source for this funding, though funding will need to come from a range of other sources as well, such as regeneration funding, the planning process and council funding.

In February 2008, TfL published guidance to the boroughs on the preparation of 2009/10 LIP APR. TfL's guidance is updated annually and ensures that all bids and funding allocations are consistent with the objectives and priorities set out in the Mayor of London's strategies, particularly the London Plan and the Mayor's Transport Strategy for London. A financial summary of the bid for 2009/10-2011/12 is shown in Table A.

Table A

Islington Annual Financial Summary			
Programme Area	2009/10 £000s	2010/11 £000s	2011/12 £000s
ROUTES AND CORRIDORS			
Principal Road Renewal	3,685	1,630	750
Bus Stop Accessibility	369	0	0
Bus Priority Measures	500	0	0
Parallel Initiatives	236	300	0
PLACES AND SPACES			
Bridge Strengthening and Assessment	235	780	700
Road Safety	2,654	1085	1214
Area Based Schemes	TBC	TBC	TBC
SUSTAINABILITY			
Walking	850	656	320
Cycling	495	525	535
LCN+ Cycling	1,160	645	0
Freight	160	160	160
Regeneration Area Schemes	250	310	220
Environment	385	160	100
Local Area Accessibility	200	150	110
School Travel Plans	470	119	124
Travel Awareness	105	95	115
Workplace Travel Plans	10	15	20
Total	11,764	6,630	4,368

Table B gives a summary of the funding awarded to Islington since 2005/06. A great deal has already been achieved through funding from TfL and other funding sources, and we are securing staff and contractor resources to deliver even more. A successful

LIP APR bid submission for 2009/10 will see Islington well placed to deliver on our transport priorities, and contribute towards London-wide and national targets.

Table B

BSP Settlements	2005/06 £000s	2006/07 £000s	2007/08 £000s	2008/09 £000s
ROUTES AND CORRIDORS				
Principal Road Renewal	1,200	700	500	374
Bus Stop Accessibility	125	245	245	334
Bus Priority Measures	204	373	590	380
Parallel Initiatives	0	0	0	150
PLACES AND SPACES				
Bridge Strengthening and Assessment	775	735	835	0
Road Safety	935	1,215	1,091	1,304
Area Based Schemes	991	950	60	25
SUSTAINABILITY				
Walking	0	350	175	150
Cycling	55	108	55	135
LCN+ Cycling	346	461	573	910
Freight	50	80	50	50
Regeneration Area Schemes	25	50	250	250
Environment and Climate Change	25	140	140	160
Local Area Accessibility	25	150	175	40
Safer Routes to School/School Travel Plans	78	429	726	113
Travel Awareness	45	60	50	50
Workplace Travel Plans	0	20	15	10
Total	4,879	6,046	5,719	4,435

For 2009/10 funding, Islington Council has submitted Baseline Submission Forms (BSFs) and supporting information for the following 17 programme areas:

1. Principal Road Renewal
2. Bus Stop Accessibility
3. Bus Priority Measures
4. Parallel Initiatives
5. Bridge Strengthening and Assessment
6. Road Safety
7. Area Based Schemes
8. Walking
9. Cycling
10. Freight
11. Regeneration Area Schemes
12. Environment and Climate Change
13. Local Area Accessibility
14. School Travel Plans
15. Travel Awareness
16. Workplace Travel Plans
17. Community Transport

Baseline Submission Forms (BSFs) and supporting documents for each of these programme areas can be downloaded from the council's website, at:

http://www.islington.gov.uk/Transport/SustainableTransportStrategy/Funding_Bid/