

Committee	Dated:
Planning and Transportation Committee	22 February 2022
Subject: Transport Strategy Update: Quarter 3 2021/22	Public
Which outcomes in the City Corporation's Corporate Plan does this proposal aim to impact directly?	1 People are safe and feel safe 2 People enjoy good health and wellbeing 9 We are digitally and physically well-connected and responsive 11. We have clean air, land and water and a thriving and sustainable natural environment 12 Our spaces are secure, resilient and well-maintained
Does this proposal require extra revenue and/or capital spending?	N
If so, how much?	N/A
What is the source of Funding?	N/A
Has this Funding Source been agreed with the Chamberlain's Department?	N/A
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Summary

Members have requested quarterly updates on progress with delivering the City of London Transport Strategy. This report covers Quarter 3 of 2021/22 (October – December 2021).

An update on Delivery Plan projects is provided in Appendix 1. While progress continues to be made, some projects and activities are experiencing programme delays due to funding constraints.

As reported for the previous quarter, Transport for London (TfL) is still unable to award usual Local implementation Plan (LIP) funding due to their financial constraints. In July we received approval for cycle scheme funding, but no other funding is available through the LIP. An update from TfL in December 2021 confirmed no further funding is anticipated this financial year.

Recommendation

Members are asked to note the report.

Main Report

Background

1. The City of London Transport Strategy was adopted in May 2019. The Strategy sets the framework for the design and management of transport and streets in the Square Mile over the next 25 years.
2. The Transport Strategy is supported by a three-year Delivery Plan. This provides details of projects to deliver the Transport Strategy and is updated on an annual basis. The 2021/22 – 2023/24 Delivery Plan was brought to this Committee in July 2021.
3. Members have requested quarterly updates on progress with delivering the Transport Strategy. This report covers Quarter 3 of 2021/22 (October – December 2021).

Quarter 3 Update

4. The quarterly update on progress with Delivery Plan projects is provided in Appendix 1, this includes a RAG status. The RAG status assumes that, where appropriate, project dates were reset after the COVID-19 lockdown period when work resumed on most projects.
5. Progress during the third quarter of 2021/22 includes:
 - The Beech Street Zero Emission experiment concluding in September. The results of the experiment and the public consultation were presented to members, with agreement to now consult the public whether to implement a permanent scheme based on the design of the experiment.
 - Consultants being appointed to carry out a study into the longer-term viability of a sustainable logistics centre, along with short to medium term actions to promote and encourage freight and servicing consolidation.
 - The Barts Close Public Realm Improvements project being completed.
 - Authority to start work being given on the Riverside Walkway (Globe View section) project. The construction pack is being finalised with the aim of starting on site in Feb 2022.
6. The following projects have a red or amber RAG status, reasons are noted in Appendix 1:
 - All Change at Bank (R)
 - Healthy Streets minor schemes (R)
 - Moorgate Crossrail Integration (A)
 - St Paul's gyratory removal (A)
7. Progress with projects and activities to deliver Vision Zero and help mitigate the CR20 - Road Safety corporate risk includes:
 - Securing Gateway 5 (authority to start work) approval for All Change at Bank.

- TfL has approved the TMAN and monitoring strategy for the Bevis Marks protected cycle lane experimental scheme. Delivery of the scheme will commence once traffic signal modifications have been designed.
- Experimental Traffic Orders for Phase 1 schemes in the Pedestrian Priority Programme have been given Gateway 5 approval and TMAN approvals from TfL. Work is progressing to begin the experiments in January 2022.

Financial Implications

8. As reported in the previous update, Transport for London (TfL) is still unable to award usual Local Implementation Plan (LIP) funding due to their financial constraints. In July we received approval for cycle scheme funding. No additional funding is available through the LIP. An update from TfL in December 2021 confirmed no further funding is anticipated this financial year. Liveable Neighbourhoods funding of £3m for the City Cluster remains on hold. We have been able to fund some projects and activities through Local Risk budgets. It remains uncertain what funding is likely to be available for the forthcoming financial year. Capital funding from the City's own funds and developer contributions for major projects has been allocated through Chamberlain's approvals process, therefore much of the Delivery Plan is able to continue.

Corporate & Strategic Implications

9. Delivery of the Transport Strategy supports the delivery of Corporate Plan outcomes 1, 3, 5, 8, 9, 11 and 12. It also indirectly supports the delivery of Corporate Plan outcomes 2 and 4.
10. Delivery of the Transport Strategy helps mitigate corporate risks CR20 – Road Safety, CR21 – Air Quality and CR30 – Climate Action.
11. Delivery of the Transport Strategy supports sustainable growth and the delivery of the City Corporation's Climate Action Strategy (CAS). The Pedestrian Priority Programme and sustainable logistics centre feasibility study are key deliverable for the CAS Transport workstream.
12. Delivery of the Transport Strategy supports delivery of the Outstanding Environments dimension of the Recovery Taskforce.

Conclusion

13. Delivery of the Transport Strategy is progressing well, but several projects are currently experiencing programme delays, partly due to funding constraints.

Appendices

- Appendix 1: Progress update on Transport Strategy Delivery Plan Q3 2021/22

Background Papers

- [City of London Transport Strategy](#)
- [Transport Strategy: 2020/21 progress update and 2021/22 - 2023/24 Delivery Plan](#)

- 2021/22 Local Implementation Plan Funding ([link to committee report](#)) 20 July 2021 Planning & Transportation)

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