

Local Transport Plan Update

Sandy Town Council - Annual Town Meeting

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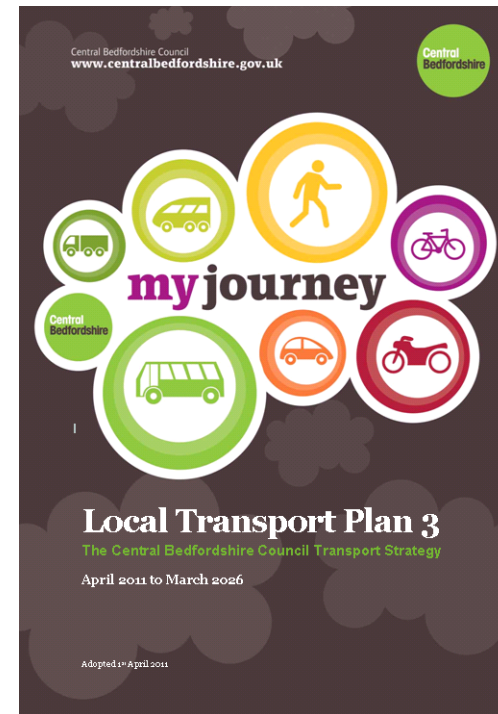
Overview

- What is the Local Transport Plan?
- What are the Local Area Transport Plans?
- What has been delivered to date?
- What further schemes are planned?
- What is the future of local transport funding?
- East - West Rail Update



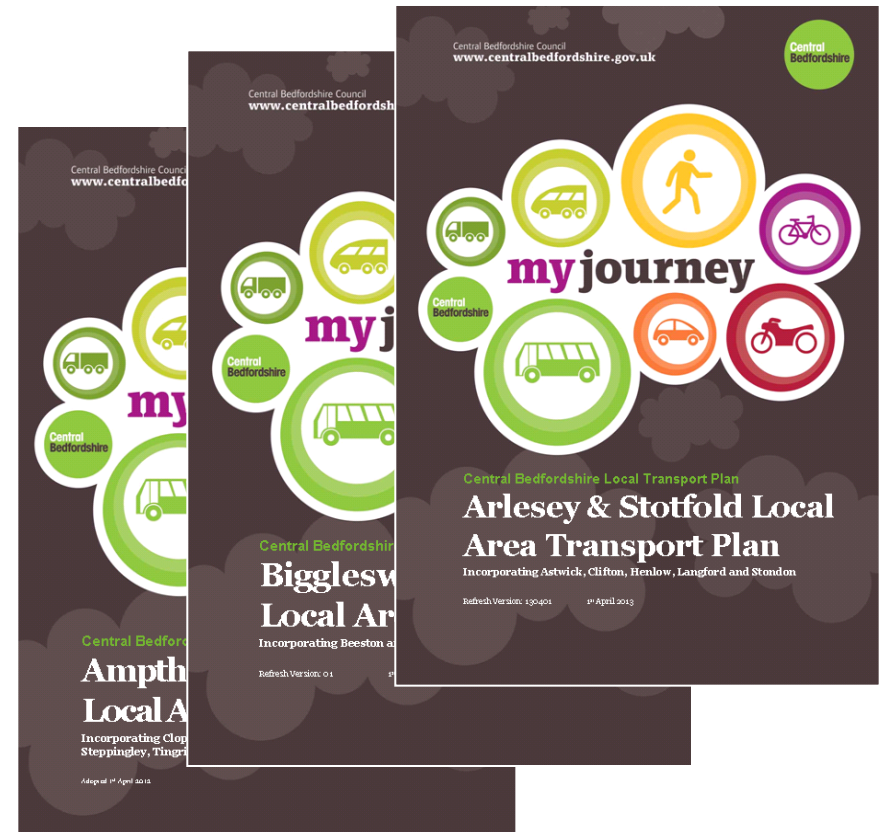
What is the Local Transport Plan?

- Forms the framework for investment in local transport schemes
- Main source of funding for local transport schemes
- Statutory requirement
- Annual allocation from Central Government
- Contains a vision, objectives, targets and indicators
- Structured around journey purpose and the reason people travel
- Underpinned by supporting strategies and evidence base



What are Local Area Transport Plans?

- Take the high level strategy in the LTP and apply it to local areas
- Highlight local problems and issues
- These translate into a long list of schemes we may seek to deliver
- Contain a programme of measures to be implemented over the timeframe of the Plan



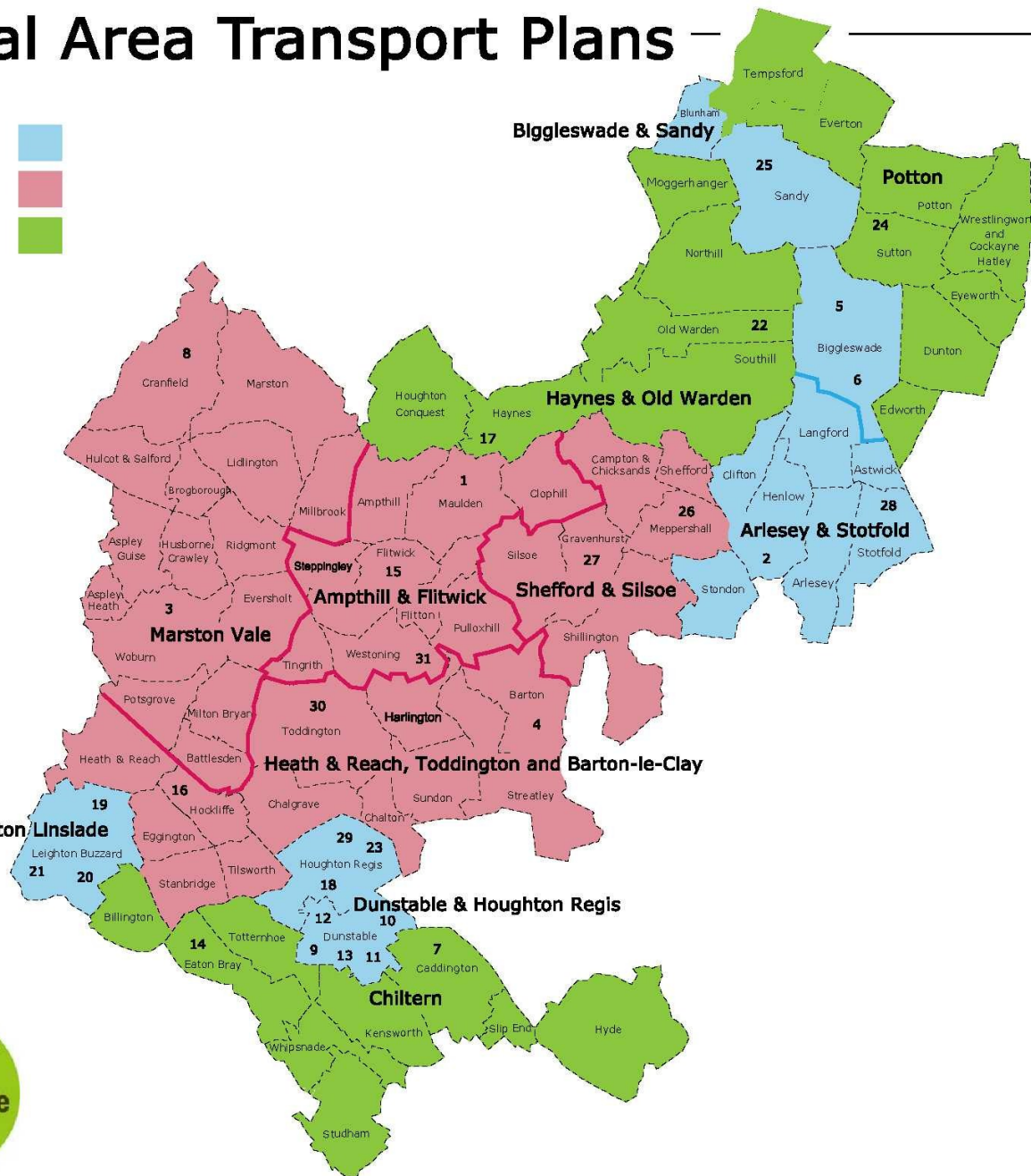
Local Area Transport Plans

- Year 1
- Year 2
- Year 3

Wards

- 1 Ampthill
- 2 Arlesey
- 3 Aspley & Woburn
- 4 Barton-Le-Clay
- 5 Biggleswade North
- 6 Biggleswade South
- 7 Caddington
- 8 Cranfield & Marston
- 9 Dunstable Central
- 10 Dunstable Icknield
- 11 Dunstable Manshead
- 12 Dunstable Northfields
- 13 Dunstable Watling
- 14 Eaton Bray
- 15 Flitwick
- 16 Heath & Reach
- 17 Houghton Conquest & Haynes
- 18 Houghton Hall
- 19 Leighton Buzzard North
- 20 Leighton Buzzard South
- 21 Linslade
- 22 Northill
- 23 Parkside
- 24 Pottton
- 25 Sandy
- 26 Shefford
- 27 Silsoe & Shillington
- 28 Stotfold & Langford
- 29 Tithe Farm
- 30 Toddington
- 31 Westoning, Flitton & Greenfield

Wards effective May 2011



Central Bedfordshire

What has been delivered to date?

- **Public transport improvements**
 - General bus stop improvements including raised kerbs at stops on Bedford Road, London Road, and St Neots Road
- **Cycle improvements**
 - Various small scale works including footway widening to enable shared use
 - 20mph limits outside schools
- **Freight improvements**
 - Production of freight study
 - Waiting restrictions on Girthford Bridge



What schemes are planned in 2014/15?

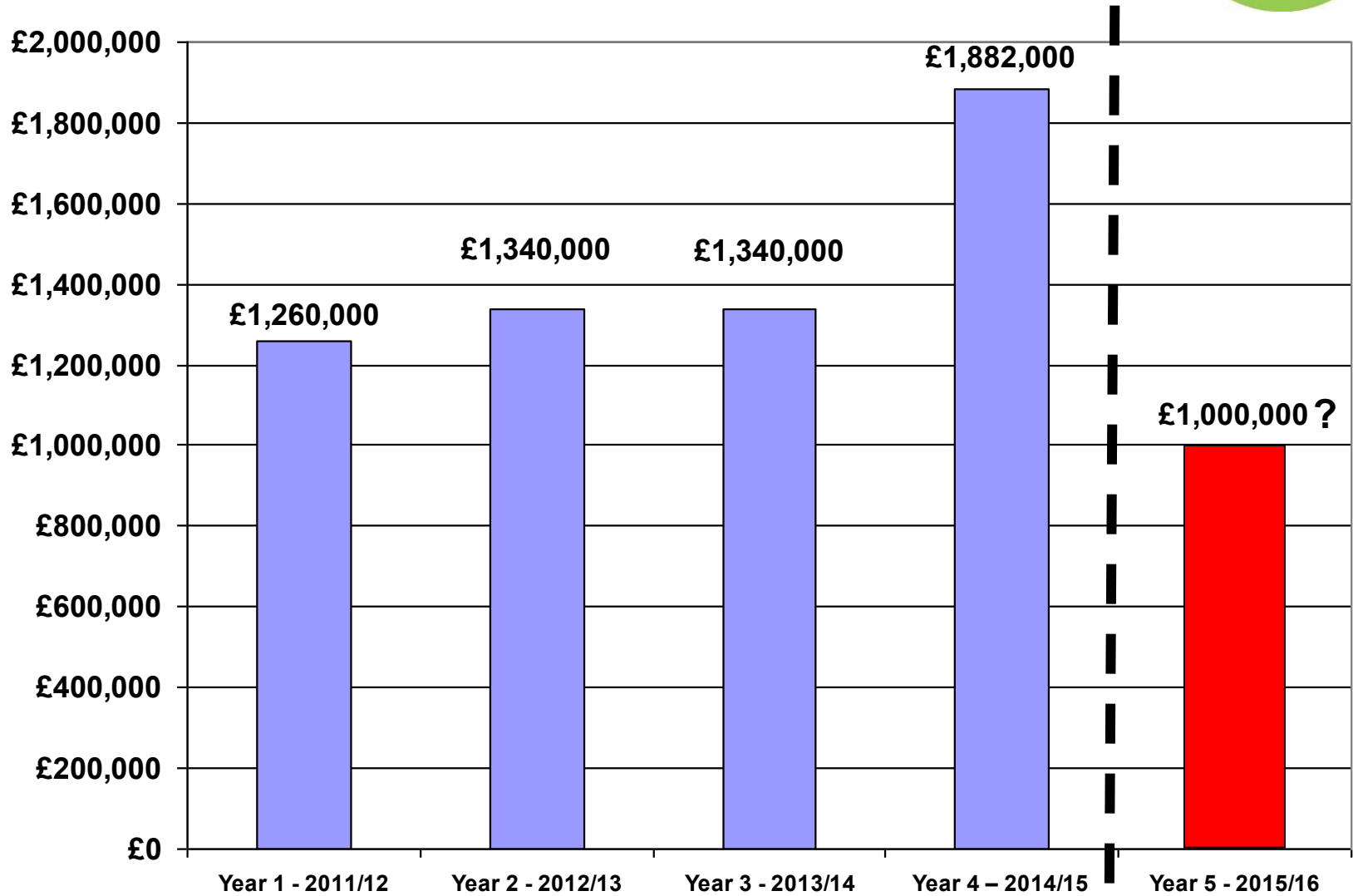
- **Real time information displays**
 - £50,000 allocated across Biggleswade and Sandy

- **Sandy to Potton cycleway**
 - £25,000 allocation in the LATP
 - Additional £25,000 in the Potton LATP

- **Weight limit on St Neots Road**

Route	HGV FLOW	ALL VEHICLES OVER 7.5T	TOTAL FLOW	ALL VEHICLES OVER 7.5T AS % OF TOTAL FLOW
St Neots Road (between no. 160 and no.162 St Neots Road)	11	186	2,070	9.0%

What is the future of local transport funding?



East - West Rail update

- **Purpose**

- Improve connectivity and capacity
- Stimulate economic growth
- Cater for movement of freight

- **Phases**

- Eastern section (Ipswich / Norwich to Cambridge)
- Central section (Cambridge to Bedford)
- Western section (Oxford to Bedford)



East - West Rail update

- **Western Section**

- Funding committed
- To be in place by 2019
- Route will be electrified
- Preparatory work is underway
- Station at Ridgmont serving Central Bedfordshire

- **Central Section**

- Anticipated to be in place by 2024
- Consultants are currently looking at route options
- There is no defined route alignment at present



Any questions?

