



Report to Solent Transport

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Subject: Cycling and Walking Investment Strategy Consultation

Purpose of the Report

To detail the response made to the recent consultation on the Government's Draft Cycling and Walking Investment Strategy.

Recommendations

- 1. That the Joint Committee ratifies the consultation response submitted to the Department for Transport (DfT) on the Government's Draft Cycling and Walking Investment Strategy.**

Introduction

1. The Government published their Draft Cycling and Walking Investment Strategy in March 2015, with a consultation running until 23 May 2016.

Draft Cycling and Walking Investment Strategy

2. The Strategy outlines the Government's targets to double cycling by 2025, arrest the decline in walking and improve road safety for cyclists and pedestrians. In order to achieve this, the Strategy defines the proposed funding for cycling and walking over the current Parliament and outlines the range of measures that Government is proposing to implement.

Solent Transport Consultation Response

3. A copy of the Solent Transport response is appended to this report and the key aspects of the response are as follows:
 - The need for high quality national design standards to ensure that cycling and walking infrastructure is built to a consistently high standard;
 - The provision of dedicated funding streams for cycling and walking;
 - The value of partnership working to deliver good outcomes; and
 - The need to understand the impact of high quality infrastructure in London and Cycle City Ambition cities on cycling levels by under represented groups.

Summary

4. A Solent Transport response has been provided to the consultation on the Draft Cycling and Walking Investment Plan during the period since the last Joint Committee in February. Members are asked to ratify this and if any amendments are requested, these will be forwarded to the Department for Transport.

Section 100 D - Local Government Act 1972 - background papers

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