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## **NATIONAL BUS STRATEGY - ENHANCED PARTNERSHIP PLAN AND SCHEME**

### **Purpose of Report**

The National Bus Strategy for England is a central government policy aimed at improving and increasing bus usage. It requires Local Transport Authorities (LTAs) to work in legal partnership with local bus operators to achieve this growth.

### **Consultation**

All Bus Companies running services in Wiltshire  
Passenger Transport leads at all neighbouring Local Transport Authorities  
The Chief Constable, Wiltshire Police  
The Traffic Commissioner for the West of England  
The Competition and Markets Authority  
Option 24/7 (bus passenger user group)

### **Options Considered**

The Department for Transport requires each Local Transport Authority (LTA) to establish an Enhanced Partnership Plan and Scheme if it is to receive any funding to implement elements of its Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP) and other funding which the Department may make available from time to time. Not to do so would exclude Wiltshire from these funding streams.

### **Reason for Decision**

To ensure that Wiltshire Council is able to receive any government grant allocated to it, in order to deliver the aspirations, set out in the BSIP.

## **DECISION MADE**

I approve that approval be sought for Wiltshire Council to form an Enhanced Partnership and Scheme with its Bus Operators.

**This decision was published on Thursday 31 March 2022 and will come into force on Friday 8 April 2022**

### **The following supporting documents are attached:**

HTW-09-22Report  
HTW-09-App1  
HTW-09-22 Decision Made Report

Date: Thursday 31 March 2022

Signed: Cllr Dr Mark McClelland - Cabinet Member for Transport, Waste, Street Scene and Flooding