

Transport Strategy

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North Tyneside Transport Strategy 2017-32

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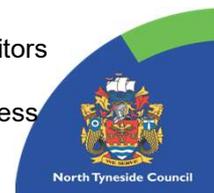
North Tyneside Transport Strategy

Approved by Cabinet on 8 May 2017

Vision: "North Tyneside will have a safe, easy to use, healthy, affordable, accessible and integrated travel and transport infrastructure that works for residents, businesses and visitors effectively and efficiently."

Five principles:

- i. Improve safety, health and well-being outcomes and sustainability; in relation to people, communities and the environment
- ii. Support economic growth; through effective movement for people, businesses and goods and to support the regional aim of "more and better jobs"
- iii. Improve connectivity; with all parts of the borough, the region, the rest of the country and the world
- iv. Enable smart choices for all; help people, businesses and visitors find out how to get to where they need to
- v. Manage demand; on transport networks and assets and address current and future transport challenges.



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Annex 4 set out the action and delivery plan:

1. Update policies and strategies – those for transport have been updated; work ongoing on Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy and Home to School/College Transport Policy
2. Deliver Activities, e.g. Local Transport Plan capital programme; major schemes (A1056 Weetslade ongoing, others delivered); Bikeability cycling training
3. Schemes in preparation (North Bank of Tyne major scheme, now substantially constructed)
4. External partners' delivery, e.g. Silverlink Interchange (Highways England)



Transport Plan for the North East

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Transport Plan for the North East

The North East Joint Transport Committee (JTC) has approved the following:

Vision: "Moving to a green, healthy, dynamic and thriving North East"

Objectives:

1. One, total network
2. Look to the future
3. A great experience
4. North East pride and passion
5. Sound evidence and commitment to deliver for the region

Principles:

1. Carbon-neutral transport
2. Overcome inequality and grow our economy
3. Healthier North East
4. Appealing sustainable transport choices
5. Safe, secure network



Transport Plan for the North East

Anticipated timescale:

- March 2020 – Consultation draft of the plan finalised
- March – June 2020 – Preparation for full consultation
- June 2020 – JTC invited to endorse consultation draft plan
- July – Sept 2020 – 12-week consultation
- Oct-Nov 2020 – reflect on comments
- Nov 2020 – JTC invited to approve the plan

Statutory assessments would be required to be carried out on the draft plan.



Clean Air Zone

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Highway Network Manager



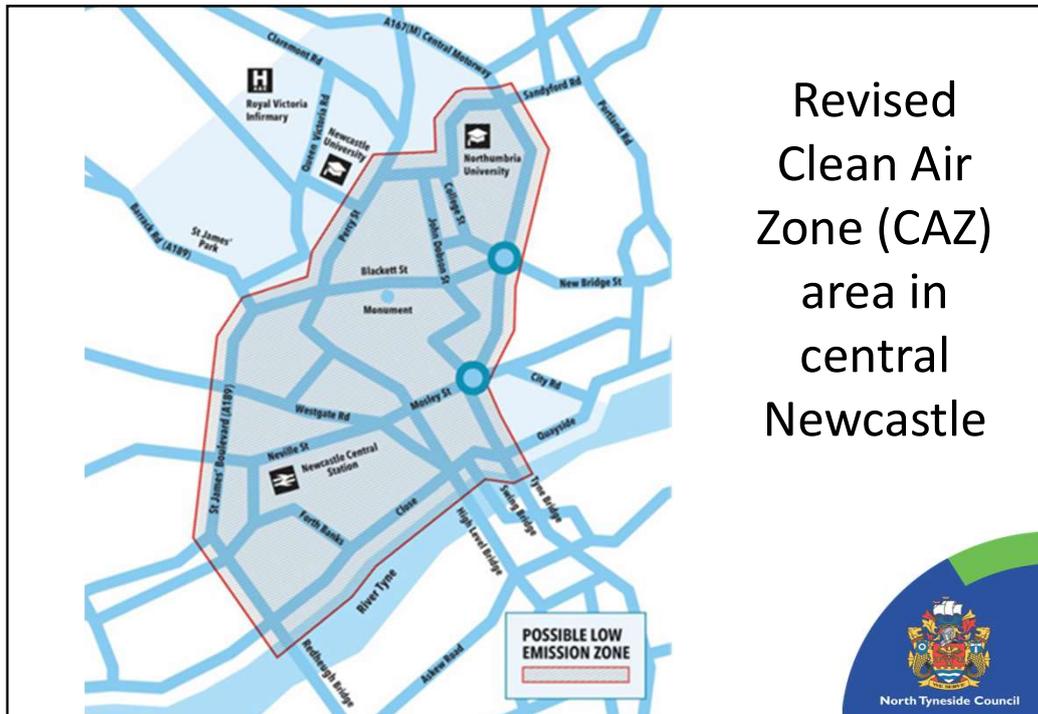
BREATHE Clean Air – consultation

- Initial consultation held March-May 2019 – over 19,000 responses received
- Further consultation in Sep-Nov 2019 on revised preferred option
 - CAZ C, plus:
 - Lane restrictions on Tyne Bridge until 2021 (combined with bridge maintenance if funding available), and
 - Access restrictions on A167(M) Central Motorway between Pilgrim St and New Bridge St junctions (Southbound)
- Mitigation measures for Buses, Taxis, HGVs, LGVs being bid for
 - Grants/Loans for vehicle upgrades to Euro6/ULEV
 - Engine retrofits where applicable
 - Behavioural change engagement package

See: www.breathe-cleanair.com



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The Northumberland Line

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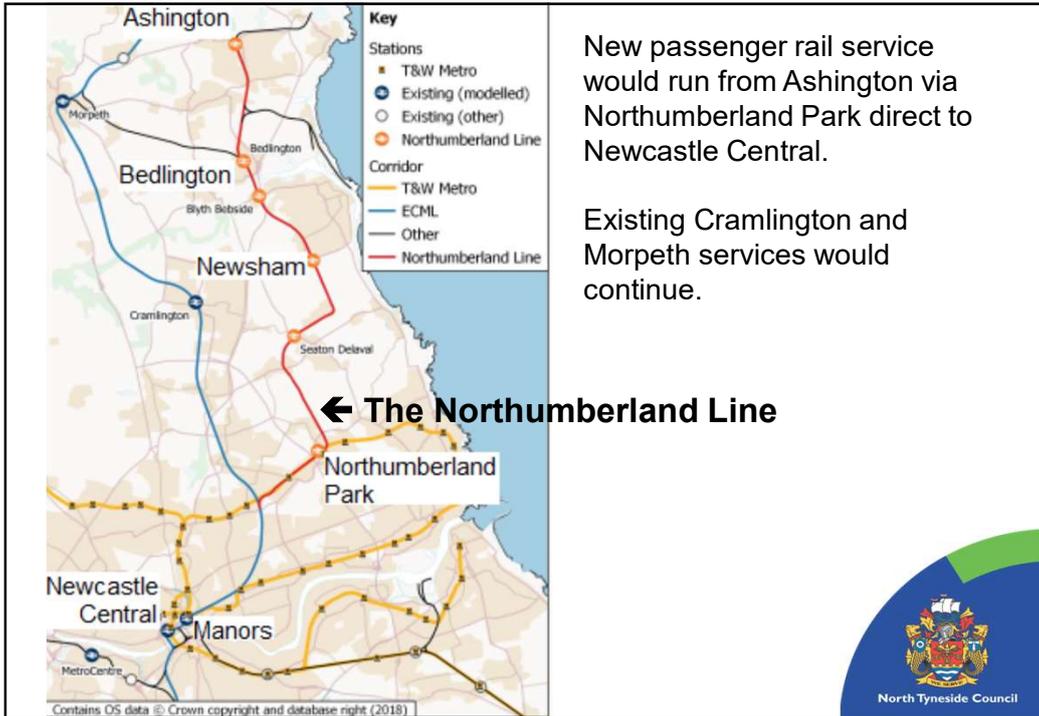
Overview and objectives

The Northumberland Line project seeks to reintroduce a passenger rail service on the freight line between Ashington and Newcastle via Northumberland Park.

1. Facilitate economic activity, employment growth and the housing delivery
2. Switch car journeys to public transport, with benefits for local air quality and congestion
3. Improve access to public transport for commuting, retail and leisure trips between South East Northumberland, North Tyneside and Newcastle

Ashington to Newcastle anticipated journey time:
35-37 minutes (faster than peak time car journey)

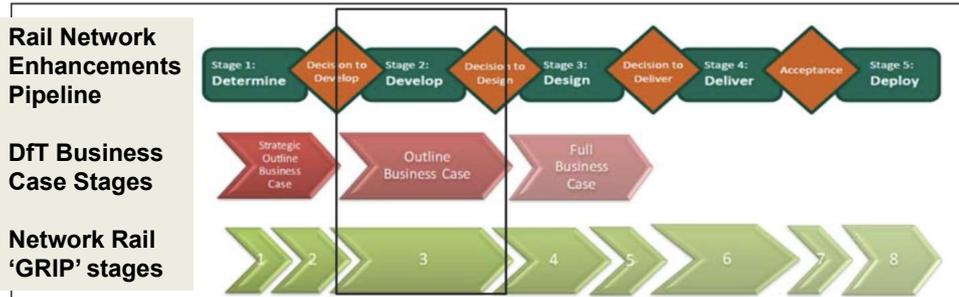




New passenger rail service would run from Ashington via Northumberland Park direct to Newcastle Central.

Existing Cramlington and Morpeth services would continue.

Business case development



Consultation took place in September-October 2019, including two public drop-in events in Shiremoor/Northumberland Park area.
See: www.northumberland.gov.uk/line

Timescales to be determined; subject to funding being secured, potential for trains to be running on the route in 2023.



Highway Asset Management Plan (HAMP) – Annual Report

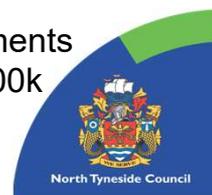
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HAMP Annual Information Report

The report shows that in the 12 months to October 2019:

- We have successfully implemented an updated highway inspection policy in line with revised national codes of practice
- The backlog of highway repairs remains under control
- Performance is excellent with KPIs being met
- Highway asset work programmes have been completed successfully
- The Council again achieved Band 3 in the DfT Self-Assessment to ensure that it received its full budget allocation under the Incentive Fund
- Continued our investment in footway improvements across the Borough including an additional £400k improvement of council housing footways



HAMP Annual Information Report

In the coming 12 months we intend to:

- introduce a new risk-based gully cleansing regime
- undertake a trial to fit sensors on gullies and culverts to remotely monitor silt and water levels
- expand our asset inventory collection and condition surveys to improve our data and inform future work plans
- consider the use of innovative new materials and techniques for highway maintenance such as recycled plastic roads



Thank you

