

Coventry City Council

Highway Infrastructure Asset Management Policy

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Our Vision for the future:

“Globally connected - Promoting the growth of a sustainable Coventry economy”

“Locally committed - Improving the quality of life for Coventry people”

“Delivering our priorities with fewer resources - Making the most of our assets “

This Asset Management Policy aligns our asset management processes and procedures with our corporate goals and objectives. We recognise the vital role played by the local highway network in supporting the Authority’s vision and its strategic transport goals.

1. The highway infrastructure is a vital element in providing an integrated transport system that helps promote equality of opportunity for all our residents by improving the connectivity and accessibility of our transport system.
2. The highway infrastructure is this Council’s most valuable asset, a fundamental component of long term planning is to ensure the asset base is preserved and replenished in a sustainable way without imposing an undue financial burden on future generations.
3. The City Council is committed to making the best use of its budgets, and will employ an asset management approach for the maintenance of the City’s transport infrastructure and its assets, in order to help deliver the vision for local people.
4. The Coventry City Council Asset Management strategy will set out how this policy will be delivered.
5. Through its Council Plan the Council developed a series of local transport goals. The Council’s Asset Management Strategy will seek to deliver a highway network that is fit for purpose and supports a transport system that:
 - Promotes the growth of a sustainable Coventry economy
 - Improves the quality of life for Coventry people
 - Makes the most of our assets

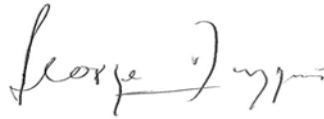
This strategy also incorporates the vision and objectives of the West Midlands Local Transport Plan. As a highway authority with over 870 km of carriageway to maintain Coventry City Council has to manage this network under increasing pressures from:

- Growing traffic volumes, particularly heavy goods vehicles, increasing network demands
- Reducing/ fluctuating/ variable budgets, limited resources, and the need to deliver efficiencies.
- Increasing demands and greater public accountability
- Rising customer expectations
- Environmental and climate change pressures.

Coventry has adopted a coordinated asset management framework approach to demonstrate that infrastructure assets are being managed in a way that stakeholder demands, expectations, and asset performance are delivered. The asset management approach enables us to make well informed decisions to ensure the best allocation of scarce resources for the management and operation of the Coventry highway infrastructure.

Our Council Plan will continue to inform the development of the asset management strategy through stakeholder consultation and customer aspirations. Over the period of the Council Plan the asset management strategy will show what pressures are being put on the highway infrastructure and how resources are being managed to meet them.

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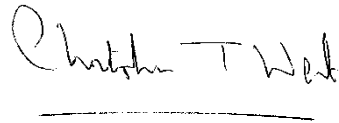
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