

Appendix 5

Stage 0 – Case for Change

Regional Transport Delivery Plan (RTDP) – South West Wales

DRAFT Scheme Prioritisation Tool – v2.0

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Context and background

This note serves as a guide to the Regional Transport Delivery Plan (RTDP) Prioritisation Tool developed by the South West Wales Regional Transport Planning Group and Transport for Wales (TfW). The tool is designed to enhance the strategic planning process by helping plan and prioritise projects, schemes and initiatives within the RTDP. It is designed to help incorporate quantitative as well as qualitative information to substantiate the scheme prioritisation process required as part of the Regional Transport Plan.

Overview of the Prioritisation Tool

The prioritisation tool helps get from the high-level policies in the Regional Transport Plan (RTP) to a prioritised list of schemes in the RTDP. The tool is comprised of a quantitative and qualitative appraisal.

Quantitative Appraisal

A suite of measures was developed to assess the RTP projects, schemes, and initiatives in a quantitative manner. Several measures were identified based on the aims of each objective set out in the RTP.

The measures have been categorised in accordance with the WelTAG Integrated Wellbeing Appraisal Framework (IWBAF); demonstrating that each ambition within the IWBAF is represented within the quantitative appraisal. The measures and IWBAF categorisation are presented in *Appendix A*.

A detailed set of metrics was developed for each measure to capture the impact of schemes and provide a score of 0 to 3. The metrics developed are detailed in *Appendix B*.

Each scheme has been digitised in GIS mapping software. Site specific schemes have been drawn around the scheme extents, area wide and corridor interventions have been drawn around the immediate extents of the scheme area or corridor. Region wide schemes include the entire South West Wales region area (x4 Local Authorities).

An area of influence (AoI) buffer has been applied to each scheme within the analysis (with the exception of the region-wide schemes) based on the scheme mode type.

The areas of influence have been defined as:

- Corridor scheme 1.1km around the extents of the corridor,
- Walk 1.1km around the extents of the scheme,
- Cycle 5km around the extents of the scheme,
- Bus/Rail Interchange 5km around the extents of the scheme,
- Smaller Bus -1.1km around the extents of the scheme.

The area of influence was based on the average walking and cycling distance according to the National Travel Survey.

Qualitative Appraisal

A qualitative appraisal of schemes has also been undertaken in addition to the quantitative assessment. This is based on the six RTP objectives which have been unpacked to provide a more structured qualitative assessment. This has been designed to allow the more nuanced considerations to be incorporated within the analysis.

The qualitative appraisal score utilises a Likert type scale of 0 (performs poorly against objective) to +3 (performs well against objective).

The qualitative scoring framework is presented in **Appendix C**.

Appendix A Selected Scheme Objectives & Measures (Draft)

Objectives		(Chosen Measure	S	
	1	2	3	4	5
OB1 To improve active travel infrastructure to local services in the first instance. Where this is not feasible enable residents to make sustainable travel choices.	Mode Share	Car ownership	Safety / Collisions	WIMD Access to services	
OB2 To have a transport system that supports the growth and development of sustainable economic activity in the region.	WIMD Employment	WIMD Income	Impact on Tourism	Employment Density	
OB3 To have a transport system that recognises the hierarchy of travel modes identified in Llwybr Newydd, which is as follows: 1. Walking and cycling (highest priority) 2. Public transport (rail, bus, community transport and taxis) 3. Ultra-low emission vehicles 4. Private motor vehicles (lowest priority).	Mode Score	Mode Share (Scheme Primary mode)	WIMD Health	Population Density	Air Quality
OB4 To have a transport system that recognises the diverse communities of the region and their varying transport needs.	Welsh Language	WIMD Access to Services	WIMD Housing	WIMD Community Safety	Protected Characteristics
OB5 Make sustainable transport more available, attractive and affordable.	Car ownership	WIMD Physical Environment	WIMD Income	WIMD Health	
OB6 To promote sustainable travel choice wherever possible.	Car ownership	Integration Potential	Population Density		

Integrated Well-being Appraisal Framework Themes:

Appendix B Measures, Metrics, Scale & Rationale

Objective 1	Measure	Metric, Scale & Rationale	Scoring
To improve active travel infrastructure to local services in the first instance. Where	Mode Share	 Mode share within area of influence. Sites with a low mode share for the mode being developed score highly. Travel to work 2021 Census dataset used as a proxy for mode share. Modes assessed include, Active Travel (Walk& bicycle), Rail, Bus and Car to allow a scoring of 0-3. 	3 points: Lowest mode share 2 points: 2 nd lowest mode share 1 point: 3 rd lowest mode share 0 points: highest mode share.
this is not feasible enable residents to make sustainable	Car Ownership	 Car ownership statistics within area of influence. Car ownership 2021 Census dataset Sites with a high second car ownership score highly Scoring based on distribution of households with two car ownership 	3 points: Two car households 45.0 to 60.0% 2 points: Two car households 30.0 to 45.0% 1 point: Two car households 20.0 to 30.0% 0 points: Two car households 10.0 to 20.0%
travel choices.	Safety/ Collisions	 Number of collisions within area of influence Sites with high number of collisions score highly Most recent 5 year period used (2019-2023) from STATS Wales Killed or seriously injured only used 	3 points: Greater than 3 KSI within AoI 2 points: Between 2 and 3 KSI within AoI 1 point: Between 1 and 2 KSI within AoI 0 points: 0 KSI within AoI
	WIMD Access to services	 WIMD Ranking within the top 50% most deprived utilised Data at LSOA level Sites within more deprived areas score highly Where more than one LSOA is intersected the worst performing WIMD within the AOI is utilised 	3 points: Within top 10% most deprived LSOA 2 points: Within top 30% most deprived LSOA 1 point: Within top 50% most deprived LSOA 0 points: Outside top 50% most deprived LSOA
Objective 2	Measure	Metric, Scale & Rationale	Scoring
To have a transport system that supports the growth and	WIMD Employment	 Proportion of population within the 30% most deprived within area of influence LSOA Sites with highest population in deprived area score highly 	3 points: Within top 10% most deprived LSOA 2 points: Within top 30% most deprived LSOA

^{*}The full framework including the quantitative metrics are provided in Appendix C.

development of sustainable economic activity in the			1 point: Within top 50% most deprived LSOA 0 points: Outside top 50% most deprived LSOA
region.	WIMD Income	 Proportion of population within the 30% most deprived within area of influence LSOA Sites with highest population in deprived area score highly 	3 points: Within top 10% most deprived LSOA 2 points: Within top 30% most deprived LSOA 1 point: Within top 50% most deprived LSOA 0 points: Outside top 50% most deprived LSOA
	Impact on Tourism	 Difference in winter/summer traffic on a-roads (AADT) within area of influence Worst performing link used to score each scheme Reduction in speed separated into 75th, 85th and 95th percentiles at -9%, -14% and -34% reduction in average speed. Sites with a high difference score higher 	3 points: 95 th Percentile (-34%) 2 points: 85 th Percentile (-14%) 1 point: 75 th Percentile (-9%) 0 points: No links suffering reduction in average speed.
	Employment Density	 Number of people employed per km² within output area(OA) Data based OA level Sites with higher employment density score highly Based on Census 2021 dataset 	3 points: >75%ile employment density 2 points: 50-75%ile employment density 1 point: 25-50%ile employment density 0 points: 0-25%ile employment density
Objective 3	Measure	Metric, Scale & Rationale	Scoring
To have a transport system that supports the growth and	Mode Score	Modes scored based on sustainable transport hierarchy	3 points: Walking & Cycling 2 points: Public Transport 1 point: Ultra Low Emissions Vehicles 0 points: Private Motor Vehicles
development of sustainable economic activity in the region.	Mode Share	 Mode share within area of influence. Sites with a low mode share for the mode being developed score highly. Travel to work 2021 Census dataset used as a proxy for mode share. Modes assessed include, Active Travel (Walk& bicycle), Rail, Bus and Car to allow a scoring of 0-3. 	3 points: Lowest mode share 2 points: 2 nd lowest mode share 1 point: 3 rd lowest mode share 0 points: highest mode share.

	WIMD Health	 Proportion of population within the 30% most deprived within area of influence LSOA Sites with highest population in deprived area score highly 	3 points: Within top 10% most deprived LSOA 2 points: Within top 30% most deprived LSOA 1 point: Within top 50% most deprived LSOA 0 points: Outside top 50% most deprived LSOA
	Population Density	 Population density within area of influence The intention of this data point is to flag that lower population density will require more flexible application of transport hierarchy 	3 points: Population density <1000/km² 2 points: Population density 1000 – 2000/km² 1 point: Population density 2000 – 3000/km² 0 points: Population density >3000/km²
	Air Quality	Is the scheme within an Air Quality Management Area (AQMA) Scheme area of influence used	3 points: Yes 0 Points: No
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Objective 4	Measure	Metric, Scale & Rationale	Scoring
To have a transport system that recognises the diverse communities of the region and their varying transport needs.	Measure Welsh language	Metric, Scale & Rationale Proportion of people with Welsh Language skills (Speak, Read and/or write) within area of influence Census LSOA Sites with a higher proportion of people score highly	Scoring 3 points: 30-50% Population understand spoken Welsh 2 points: 20-30% Population understand spoken Welsh 1 point: 10-20% Population understand spoken Welsh 0 points: <10% Population understand spoken Welsh 3 points: Within top 10% most deprived

	WIMD Housing	 Proportion of population within the 30% most deprived within area of influence LSOA Sites with highest population in deprived area score highly 	3 points: Within top 10% most deprived LSOA 2 points: Within top 30% most deprived LSOA 1 point: Within top 50% most deprived LSOA 0 points: Outside top 50% most deprived LSOA
	WIMD Community Safety	 Number of employment centres within zone LSOA Sites with higher employment density score highly 	3 points: Within top 10% most deprived LSOA 2 points: Within top 30% most deprived LSOA 1 point: Within top 50% most deprived LSOA 0 points: Outside top 50% most deprived LSOA
	Protected characteristic indicator	 Based on census data relating to age, disability and education attainment. Sites with a high proportion of people who are older, disabled, or have poor education attainment score highly. Sites that intersect areas with a greater proportion than the 85%ile receive a score. 	3 points: 3 protected characteristics within Aol 2 points: 2 protected characteristics within Aol 1 point: 1 protected characteristic within Aol
Objective 5	Measure	Metric, Scale & Rationale	Scoring
Make sustainable transport more available, attractive and affordable.	Car ownership	 Based on car ownership statistics within area of influence Census Output Area Sites with a high zero car ownership score highly 	3 points: 40-55% of population with no car available 2 points: 30-40% of population with no car available 1 point: 5-30% of population with no car available 0 points: 5-15% of population with no car available
	WIMD Physical Environment	 Proportion of population within the 30% most deprived within area of influence LSOA Sites with highest population in deprived area score highly 	3 points: Within top 10% most deprived LSOA 2 points: Within top 30% most deprived LSOA

			1 point: Within top 50% most deprived LSOA 0 points: Outside top 50% most deprived LSOA
	WIMD Income	 Proportion of population within the 30% most deprived within area of influence LSOA Sites with highest population in deprived area score highly 	3 points: Within top 10% most deprived LSOA 2 points: Within top 30% most deprived LSOA 1 point: Within top 50% most deprived LSOA 0 points: Outside top 50% most deprived LSOA
	WIMD Health	 Number of employment centres within zone LSOA Sites with higher employment density score highly 	3 points: Within top 10% most deprived LSOA 2 points: Within top 30% most deprived LSOA 1 point: Within top 50% most deprived LSOA 0 points: Outside top 50% most deprived LSOA
Objective 6	Measure	Metric, Scale & Rationale	Scoring
To promote sustainable travel choice wherever	Car ownership	 Car ownership statistics within area of influence. Census Output Area Sites with a high first and second car ownership score highly Points based on distribution of households with two car ownership 	3 points: Two car households 45.0 to 60.0% 2 points: Two car households 30.0 to 45.0% 1 point: Two car households 20.0 to 30.0% 0 points: Two car households 10.0 to 20.0%
possible.	Integration Potential	 Schemes scored based on the number of modes involved Schemes with multiple modes score highly 	3 points: Includes 3 sustainable modes 2 points: Includes 2 sustainable modes 1 point: Includes 1 sustainable modes 0 points: Includes only private vehicle facilities
	Population Density	 Population density within area of influence The intention of this data point is to flag that lower population density will require more flexible application of transport hierarchy 	3 points: Population density <1000/km ² 2 points: Population density 1000 – 2000/km ² 1 point: Population density 2000 – 3000/km ² 0 points: Population density >3000/km ²

Appendix D Qualitative Score Framework

Objective 1	Scheme measure against objective	Metric, Scale & Rationale	Scoring
To improve	The scheme improves active travel	The scheme provides dedicated or segregated active travel facilities	3
active travel infrastructure to local services in	facilities	The scheme provides some active travel facilities in addition to other modes	2
the first		The scheme provides integration with existing active travel facilities	1
instance. Where this is not feasible enable		The scheme has limited impact on the improvement of active travel facilities or limited integration with existing active travel facilities	0
residents to	The scheme allows residents to make sustainable travel choices	The scheme provides a range of sustainable travel options	3
make sustainable		The scheme provides a sustainable travel choice	2
travel choices.		The scheme provides some improvement to sustainable travel choices, as well as the private car	1
		The scheme has limited impact on people's ability to make sustainable travel choices	0
Objective 2	Scheme measure against objective	Metric, Scale & Rationale	Scoring
To have a transport system that supports the	The scheme provides access to job opportunities now & in the future or increases the ability to move freight	The scheme provides access to major employment hubs and facilitates the creation of job opportunities or makes sustainable improvements to freight access	3
growth and development of	sustainably	The scheme provides access to major employment hubs or makes freight access to major employment hubs more sustainable	2
sustainable economic		The scheme provides some access to employment or enhances freight movement in a non-sustainable way	1
activity in the region.		The scheme provides limited access to employment or makes limited improvement to freight access	0
	The scheme provides access to education	The scheme provides access to Primary Schools, Secondary Schools and Higher/Further Education	3
		The scheme provides access to Primary and Secondary Schools	2

		The scheme provides access to Primary Schools	1
		The scheme provides limited access to education	0
	·	The scheme has potential to provide modal shift in the access of major trip	3
	(including Tourism, Retail,	The scheme provides access to major trip attractors	2
	Hospitality,)	The scheme provides access to trip attractors	1
		The scheme provides limited access to trip attractors	0
	The scheme provides access to future job concentrations including the freeport and major projects (e.g.	The scheme provides access to future major employment hubs and facilitates the creation of future job opportunities or makes sustainable improvements to future freight access requirements	3
	Swansea Bay Tidal Lagoon, Afan Adventure Park, Celtic Freeport, and Hywel Dda Health Board HQ) or	The scheme provides access to future major employment hubs and facilitates the creation of future job opportunities or makes a single sustainable improvement to future freight access	2
	increases the ability to move freight sustainably in the future	The scheme provides some access to future employment or enhances future freight movement in a non-sustainable way	1
		The scheme provides limited access to future employment or improvements to future access for freight	0
Objective 3	Scheme measure against objective	Metric, Scale & Rationale	Scoring
To have a	The scheme supports the	The scheme benefits predominantly Walking and Cycling	3
transport system that recognises	sustainable transport hierarchy	The scheme benefits only sustainable modes	2
the hierarchy of		The scheme benefits sustainable modes and private cars	1
travel modes identified in		The scheme provides very limited benefits for sustainable modes	0
Llwybr Newydd	The scheme allows residents to make sustainable travel choices	The scheme provides sustainable approaches to improving safety of transport users	3
		The scheme provides a single sustainable approach to improving safety of transport users	2
		The scheme provides a non-sustainable approach to improving safety of transport users	1

		The scheme provides limited ability to improve safety for users of the transport system	0
Objective 4	Scheme measure against objective	Metric, Scale & Rationale	Scoring
To have a transport system that recognises the diverse	The scheme addresses the transport needs of those with protected characteristics: •age	The scheme specifically addresses the transport needs of multiple groups with protected characteristics (5 - 9 protected characteristics)	3
communities of the region and their varying transport needs.	∘gender reassignment ∘being married or in a civil partnership ∘being pregnant or on maternity	The scheme specifically addresses the transport needs of multiple groups with protected characteristics (2 - 3 protected characteristics)	2
·	leave odisability orace including colour, nationality,	The scheme addresses the transport needs of a single protected characteristics, as well as the general population	1
ethnic or nati ∘religion or be ∘sex	ethnic or national origin religion or belief sex sexual orientation	The scheme does not specifically address the transport needs of those with protected characteristics	0
	The scheme benefits the Rural Population	The scheme provides specific benefits for the rural population, improving connectivity and access to sustainable modes (as per WTS)	3
	·	The scheme provides specific benefits for the rural population	2
		The scheme benefits the entire population, both urban and rural population	1
		Primarily benefits urban area.	0
	The scheme provides a transport options to support Cohesive	The scheme provides sustainable transport options for Welsh speaking communities to access employment, services and education.	3
	Communities and the Welsh Language	The scheme provides transport options for Welsh speaking communities to access employment, services and education.	2
		The scheme provides transport options to connect between Welsh speaking communities.	1
		The scheme provides little connectivity to or between Welsh speaking communities.	0

	The scheme provides increased access to healthcare facilities	The scheme provides sustainable transport access to a healthcare facility where not currently provided	3
		The scheme provides an additional sustainable transport option to a healthcare facility	2
		The scheme improves an existing sustainable transport mode to a healthcare facility	1
		The scheme has minimal impact upon sustainable transport access to a healthcare facility	0
Objective 5	Scheme measure against objective	Metric, Scale & Rationale	Scoring
Make	The scheme makes sustainable	The scheme provides free at point of use, sustainable transport options	3
sustainable transport more	transport options more affordable	The scheme makes sustainable transport options more affordable	2
available, attractive and		The scheme provides affordable opportunities to connect to sustainable transport modes	1
affordable.		The scheme has minimal impact on sustainable transport affordability, or offers minimal opportunities to connect to them	0
	The scheme makes sustainable transport options more available	The scheme specifically improves the availability of sustainable transport opportunities, by reallocating road space	3
		The scheme specifically improves the availability of sustainable transport opportunities	2
		The scheme improves access to sustainable transport options or enables access to strategic sustainable transport options (such as P&R)	1
		The scheme does not improve the availability of sustainable transport options	0
	The scheme makes sustainable transport options more attractive	The scheme makes sustainable transport options the most attractive mode for entire journeys	3
	·	The scheme makes sustainable transport options attractive for part of journeys (inc first and last mile)	2
		The scheme makes a small part of the sustainable transport journey more attractive	1
		The scheme has minimal impact upon the attractiveness of sustainable transport opportunities, or offer very limited opportunities	0
	The scheme provides relief to road congestion or overloading of	The scheme provides sustainable travel alternatives that relieves road congestion or passenger service overcrowding	3

	passenger services by sustainable means	The scheme provides a single sustainable travel alternative that relieves road congestion or passenger service overcrowding	2
		the scheme provides relief to road congestion or passenger service overcrowding that is not sustainable	1
		The scheme gives very limited relief to road congestion or passenger service overcrowding	0
Objective 6	Scheme measure against objective	Metric, Scale & Rationale	Scoring
To promote sustainable travel choice	The scheme promotes a choice of sustainable transport options	The scheme promotes reducing the need to travel	3
		The scheme promotes the movement of people and goods by sustainable means	2
wherever possible		The scheme encourages sustainable transport indirectly	1
		The scheme has limited ability to promote sustainable transport	0
	The scheme promotes the integration of transport modes	The scheme includes 3 sustainable modes	3
		The scheme includes 2 sustainable modes	2
		The scheme includes 1 sustainable modes	1
		The scheme includes only private vehicle facilities	0