GREATER BIRMINGHAM AND SOLIHULL

LOCAL TRANSPORT BOARD – TERMS OF REFERENCE

Appendix 3

Strategic Objectives

a) Ensure that value for money is achieved regarding the devolved local authority major scheme funding;

b) Identify a prioritised list of investments within the available budget;

c) Make decisions on individual scheme approval, investment decision making and release of funding, including scrutiny of individual scheme business cases;

d) Monitor progress of scheme delivery and spend;

e) Actively manage the devolved budget and programme to respond to changes in circumstances (for example scheme slippage, scheme alteration or cost increases);

f) Engage government in dialogue to ensure resource is maximised and additional funding streams are coordinated; andg) Fully participate in the development of strategic cross boundary schemes.

Membership

As per appendix 1

Remit

1. To promote and, where appropriate, present a view on the transport priorities of the Greater Birmingham & Solihull Sub-Region.

2. To make decisions on devolved major transport schemes, in line with the guidance issued by the Department for Transport;

3. To work across LEP Boundaries to ensure the development of strategic cross boundary schemes;

4. To determine which major transport schemes should have resources allocated to them from any funding the Board controls or will control in the future;

5. To maximise and co-ordinate additional funding streams;

6. To have responsibility for ensuring value for money is achieved;

7. To identify a prioritised list of investments within the available budget;

8. To make decisions on individual scheme approvals, investment decision making and release of funding, including the scrutiny of individual scheme business cases;

9. To monitor progress of scheme delivery and spend;

10. To actively manage the devolved budget and programme to changed circumstances, including scheme slippage, alteration, cost variances, etc;

11. To engage consultants, subjects to funds being available to assist the Board in scheme appraisal and additional work where needed;

12. To consider any matter within these Terms of Reference referred to it by any constituent Council, any agency including Government Departments, The GBSLEP, the West Midlands Joint Committee and West Midlands Integrated Transport Authority and Worcestershire and Staffordshire County Council as member LTA's;

13. To review, and where appropriate, respond to consultation on policy and frameworks; including Local Transport Plans of the GBS geography

14. To promote best practice in all matters within these Terms of Reference.