

2. LEA VALLEY AREA PLAN

The financial year 2000/01 was the second year of central funding for the Lea Valley Area Plan through the Local Transport Plan process. Progress has been made on a variety of fronts. Equal emphasis was given to implementation and advanced preparation of future schemes, to maintain the momentum of rolling programmes on the main project types.

What was delivered in 2000/01?

Scheme	Status
Strategic Cycle Network Development - North Road, Hertford - Ware	Implemented Underwent consultation
Lea Valley Green Route improvements - Hertford, Cheshunt, Broxbourne, Hoddesdon - Turnford	Various stages
Safer Routes To School projects (projects at 6 schools)	Various stages
Campfield Estate Home Zone, Hertford	Implemented
Four Swannes Home Zone, Waltham Cross	Underwent consultation
Ware schemes - safety and traffic calming at 2 sites - vehicle activated speed signs	Implemented Implemented
Hertford schemes - pedestrian improvements - parking and access - Bengo rat-run study	Implemented Underwent consultation Household questionnaire undertaken
Hertford Bus Station Improvement	Feasibility study completed
Market Street, Hertford – pedestrian improvements	Implemented
Waltham Cross Bus Station improvements	Implemented
Accident Remedial works – Gascoyne Way (Hertford)	Accident investigation report completed

Financial details for the above schemes can be found in the Finance Forms in the technical document accompanying this report.

Changes to the published programme

- The Green Route proposals between Hertford and Ware have been deferred for a year, but this has enabled the early preparation on the Hoddesdon to Cheshunt section.
- The national focus on rail track renewals has led to the deferment of track capacity improvements (part of West Anglia Route Modernisation), and the deferral of the proposed bus/rail interchange at Cheshunt Station.
- The agreement of a Section 106 will assist the progress of the Park Plaza (Waltham Cross) development. The appointment of a jointly funded project manager will assist the progress of the Essex Road (Hoddesdon) development.

New Links and Initiatives

- Landfill Tax Credit funding for Home Zone play areas.
- Jointly funded bus priority scheme with Hertfordshire County Council and Transport for London Bus Initiative.

- ‘Paramics’ -real time micro-simulation traffic modelling for Hertford Green Route.
- ‘Alligator’ police crime prevention initiative incorporated within Home Zones (lockable gates to rear alleys).
- Sharing of ‘Walk to School’ experiences with international schools via Internet.

The Programme for 2001/02

Scheme	£'000s
Lea Valley Green Route (Hertford, Turnford, Waltham Cross)	750
Hertford Bus Station Improvements	130
Safer Routes to Schools measures (4 schools)	160
Parking schemes (8 schemes, 1 CPZ)	218
Traffic calming (3 schemes)	200
Cycling (4 schemes)	210
Interchange facilities (2 schemes)	165
Pedestrian facilities (4 schemes)	145
Safety (3 schemes)	85
Hoddesdon/Broxbourne Town Centre Movement study	15
Waltham Cross Home Zone	300
TOTAL	2378

Broxbourne Borough Council will be taking a report on decriminalised parking enforcement to their Environmental Services Committee in September 2001, with a view to developing the work already done.

The A1170 High Road, Broxbourne/Hoddesdon reconstruction project will continue, with the provision of 1.2m wide cycleways in each channel.

Funding Sources

In addition to the £1.5 million of LTP funding for 2000/01 there have also been contributions from London Buses (£800,000), Broxbourne Borough Council (£20,000), East Herts District Council (£20,000), Essex County Council (£20,000), and Riversmead Housing Association (£10,000).

For 2001/02 in addition to the £1.77 million of LTP money, £608,000 will be available from other sources including £500,000 from County Council monies, £10,000 from the Housing Association, and contributions from S106 and Land Tax Fill credit.

Key Employment Sites

The development of the Essex Road key employment site has not progressed significantly beyond that set out in the LTP, although tendering for the project manager has now been completed with the contract award expected in early July 2001. The Park Plaza site has also yet to be developed, although there are already approximately £1.5 million of S106 agreements in the process of being agreed.