

# Cross Boundary Issues

Peterborough City Council recognises that the transport network does not stop at its boundary and many journeys start or end outside of Peterborough. Many people travel to and from the Peterborough authority area to work, shop or for leisure. The city council maintains strong links with the Highways Agency regarding trunk road issues and works in partnership on other issues as appropriate. Major transport initiatives such as Park and Ride will require close co-ordination with other highways authorities.

The city council meets with neighbouring authorities to discuss cross boundary transport matters. The neighbouring authorities include Lincolnshire, Cambridgeshire, Northamptonshire and Rutland. The city council also liaises with neighbouring authorities to discuss planning issues that have possible cross boundary impacts.

Some of the key cross boundary transport issues are outlined below:

- **Freight and inland port developments**
- **Making sure that preferred routes for Heavy Goods Vehicles (HGV) link up across boundaries**
- **Location of freight facilities such as distribution centres and lorry parking areas**

The city council also works with neighbouring authorities to improve cross boundary public transport as there are people living on the council boundaries in rural locations who rely on services provided by other local authorities. The city council actively co-ordinates cross boundary subsidised services and makes use of the Lincolnshire based Call Connect demand responsive services.

Where appropriate the city council will share data gathered from Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS) and other traffic surveys with neighbouring authorities. The city council is a member of the Real Time Passenger Information (RTPI) consortium comprising of Cambridgeshire County Council, Bedfordshire Borough Council, Central Bedfordshire Council, Luton Borough Council and Northamptonshire County Council.

Accident data is currently provided under a service agreement by Cambridgeshire County Council; who along with the city council and Cambridgeshire Constabulary are all members of the Road Safety Partnership.

Peterborough co-ordinates road maintenance and winter gritting routes with its neighbours to make sure that the network is most effectively covered.

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Major cross boundary roads in Peterborough include the A15, A605, A47 and the A1073 (to be reclassified as the A16 in summer 2011) and the city council will continue to work in partnership with other organisations to ensure that these operate correctly. The A1073 Spalding to Eye improvement scheme is an excellent example of joint authority working on a major scheme.

Discussion will continue regarding issues around the resilience of the network with special regard to strategic diversionary routes.

Peterborough will work in partnership to ensure a positive outcome of any issues arising in the wider area as part of the Greater Cambridge Greater Peterborough Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) which includes the following areas:

- Peterborough authority area
- Cambridgeshire
- East Cambridgeshire
- Huntingdonshire
- South Cambridgeshire
- Rutland
- Fenland
- Parts of North Hertfordshire, Uttlesford, St Edmundsbury, Forest Heath, South Holland, King's Lynn and West Norfolk

The LEP will operate in line with the detail explained in the Local Growth White Paper and will offer the opportunity to forge even stronger links between local authorities.

