

Greater Manchester Experience

Putting Highways at the Centre of Council Development

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Proposed Greater Manchester Permit Scheme

- A Joint Scheme - Spring 2012
- 10 new permit Authorities
- Central administration via a Collaborative Service Centre
- Single register - push communications
- Cross boundary co-ordination and shared resources
- Administered by Transport for Greater Manchester (TfGM)
- 250,000 permits
- 26% saving on administration - £1.3m
- Administration no more that 12% of fee revenue
- Major works - 44 per cent speed reduction, area of influence 863 metres
- Benefit to cost ratio (BCR) of 12.2

Why a Permit Scheme

- An improvement in roadwork co-ordination
- Less disruption and congestion
- Provides Districts with more control over activities on their network
- Reduce roadworks by 5% to 10% (volume, duration, size)
- Fee income to resource more Utility co-ordination
- Efficiency savings through collaborative working
- Improved communication with stakeholders and the public
- A single register of activities
- A single point of contact for promoters
- Economic benefits

Catalyst for change

- The impact of Permits led to a consideration of a range of elements
 - Asset management
 - Traffic management
 - Network Management
 - Highway Maintenance
 - NSG/ASD
 - Stakeholders
 - Partners
 - Administration
 - Economic drivers

Created a long term development plan

- Permits are a first phase
 - Quality control – coring (Go live in Oct 2010)
 - Quality control - inspections
 - Licensing - skips
 - Gritting – shared delivery
 - Abnormal loads – commercial service
 - Fixed Penalty Notices and debt management
 - Road Traffic Incidents – insurance
 - Shared procurement – 10 councils and HA
 - IT shared service

Delivering a range of benefits

- Behavioural change – reinstatement quality
- Long term cost reductions – maintenance budget
- Short term cost reductions – sub regional procurement
- Stakeholder engagement – Bus operations, Chambers of Commerce, Football Clubs, HA (Permit diversions)
- Public engagement – pre works notification, phone apps, journey reminders
- Administration savings – Highways and Utility both benefit along with controlled debt management
- Enhanced IT systems – reduced spend

Highways at the centre of council development

- What other service?
 - Impacts on everyone's daily lives
 - Affects all of the public and businesses
 - Drives economic development
 - Can respond positively to the current climate
 - Delivers efficiency whilst improving service
 - Improves dialogue with partners and neighbours

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Thank You