APPENDIX 16.2

Mersey Gateway Support for Policy Objectives

Mersey Gateway Objectives	Road Traffic Reduction Act 1997		Transport White Paper 1998					'Workhorse to Thoroughbred'			Transport Ten Year Plan 2000						
	Targeted reduction of the level of road traffic or its rate of growth	Reduce pollution from transport	Improve air quality	Encourage healthy lifestyles by reducing reliance on cars, and making it easier to walk and cycle more	Reduce noise and vibration from transport	Improve transport safety for users, those who work in the industry and the general public	New framework for local authority influence over buses	Statutory backing for quality partnerships	Better bus information	Service frequency enhancements	Option of bus 'Quality Contracts' for area wide networks	Sharpen the competitiveness of British industry	Boost the economic development of all regions	Promote the renaissance of towns and cities	Enhance access and opportunity in rural areas	Reduce social exclusion	Lessen the effect of transport on the environment at both local and global levels
To relieve the congested SJB, thereby removing the constraint on local and regional development and better provide for local transport needs	1			1	*		√	*		1	1				1	1	•
To apply minimum toll and road user charges to both the New Bridge and the SJB consistent with the level required to satisfy viability constraints	*												~			~	
To improve accessibility in order to maximise local development and regional economic growth opportunities							*	>		*	~	*	~	>		~	
To improve local air quality and enhance the general urban environment		~	~	~	✓												✓
To improve public transport links across the River				✓			✓	*	√	✓	✓					1	
To encourage the increased use of cycling and walking				✓													✓
To restore effective network resilience for road transport across the River Mersey.						✓						✓	✓				

Table A16.1: Compliance of Mersey Gateway Objectives with National Objectives

Mersey Gateway Objectives	Planning	Policy Guidance	13	Education Act 2002	The Future of Transport			Traffic N	lanagement Act 2004	Towards a Sustainable Transport System (response to Eddington and Stern)				
	To promote more sustainable transport choices for both people and for moving freight	To promote accessibility to jobs, shopping, leisure facilities and services by public transport, walking and cycling	To reduce the need to travel, especially by car	Ensure access to education and training for '16-19' age group.	To provide a more reliable and freer flowing road network for both personal travel and freight	Bus Services that are reliable, flexible, convenient, and tailored to local needs	Making walking and cycling a real atternative for local trips	Secure the expeditious movement of traffic on the authority's road network	Facilitate the expeditious movement of traffic on road networks for which another authority is the traffic authority	Maximise competitiveness and productivity of the economy	Address climate change	Protect people's safety, security and health	Improve quality of life	Promote greater equality of opportunity
To relieve the congested SJB, thereby removing the constraint on local and regional development and better provide for local transport needs	1	1	1		-	~		1	1				~	4
To apply minimum toll and road user charges to both the New Bridge and the SJB consistent with the level required to satisfy viability constraints	*	•								*				*
To improve accessibility in order to maximise local development and regional economic growth opportunities	✓	✓		~	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓
To improve local air quality and enhance the general urban environment	✓	1	~								1	1	~	
To improve public transport links across the River	✓	✓	1	1		*		·	✓					✓
To encourage the increased use of cycling and walking	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓					✓	1	✓
To restore effective network resilience for road transport across the River Mersey.					✓			~	~	✓				

Table A16.1: Compliance of Mersey Gateway Objectives with National Objectives (cont)

Mersey Gateway Objectives	Regional	Spatial Strategy (RSS13)/RTS	North We	est RES
	Improved, sustainable economic growth	Active management and prudent use of natural and man made resources	Introduction of a safe, reliable and effective integrated transport network that supports opportunities for sustainable growth and provides better links with lobs and services.	To improve the capacity and quality of mass transit, particularly in terms of enhancing accessibility to jobs	Support growth of key sectors and widens the labour markets in the city centres
To relieve the congested SJB, thereby removing the constraint on local and regional development and better provide for local transport needs	*	*	*	√	3 ,
To apply minimum toll and road user charges to both the New Bridge and the SJB consistent with the level required to satisfy viability constraints	1				
To improve accessibility in order to maximise local development and regional economic growth opportunities	✓	1	*	✓	~
To improve local air quality and enhance the general urban environment		✓			
To improve public transport links across the River		✓	✓		
To encourage the increased use of cycling and walking		✓			
To restore effective network resilience for road transport across the River Mersey.	✓	✓	✓	✓	

Table A16.2: Compliance of Mersey Gateway Objectives with Regional Objectives

Table A16.3: Compliance of Mersey Gateway Objectives with Local Objectives

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cycling and walking To restore effective network resilience for road transport across the River Mersey.	To encourage the increased use of	To improve local air quality and enhance the general urban environment	To improve accessibility in order to maximise local development and regional economic growth opportunities	To apply minimum toll and road user charges to both the New Bridge and the SJB consistent with the level required to satisfy viability constraints	To relieve the congested SJB, thereby removing the constraint on local and regional development and better provide for local transport needs		Mersey Gateway Objectives
•	•		<	•	•	To address and manage both local and strategic travel demand to ensure that the area's regeneration needs are met	
• •	•	•	<		4	To develop a sustainable and integrated transport system that meets the social, economic and environmental needs of Halton's residents	Halton Bord
•	•	•	•	•	4	To manage and maintain the highway network to minimise congestion and delay	ugh Co
	•		•	•	•	To resolve problems experienced by socially excluded communities, when accessing key services, and enhance life chances and employment opportunities	uncil Local Tra
					•	To minimise the incidence of personal injury road accidents within the Borough, through a combination of targeted physical measures and preventative road safety education and training initiatives	Halton Borough Council Local Transport Plan Objectives
	•	•		•		To address air quality issues which have an effect on health and the environment, through the management of travel demand and the provision and encouragement of environmentally sustainable travel choices	ctives
•	•		<		•	Promote an integrated transport system	
•	•	•	•	•	٠,	Stimulate sustainable economic growth in sustainable locations	I
<	•		•	4	•	Improve accessibility for all to everyday facilities	alton B
•	•	•			•	Create a safer living environment	orough
•	•	٠,			•	Protect and enhance the environment	Counc
	•		•			Provide for suitable access to facilities for people with disabilities and people with young children	Halton Borough Council Unitary Development Plan Objectives
•		•	•		•	Protect local shops, recreation and community facilities	evelopm
	•		<		4	Improve public transport	ent Pla
•			٠,			Provide safe and attractive pedestrian routes and extend Pedestrianisation of town centres	n Object
٠ ,	•	<	4		4	Promote a Project for a New Bridge of the River Mersey, to relieve congestion on the SJB as part of an integrated transport system for Halton and the wider regional transport network.	ives

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Table A16.4: Compliance of Mersey Gateway Objectives with Neighbouring Authorities' Objectives

To restore effective network resilience for road transport across the River Mersey.	To improve public transport links across the River	To improve local air quality and enhance the general urban environment	To improve accessibility in order to maximise local development and regional economic growth opportunities	To apply minimum toll and road user charges to both the New Bridge and the SJB consistent with the level required to satisfy viability constraints	To relieve the congested SJB, thereby removing the constraint on local and regional development and better provide for local transport needs		Mersey Gateway Objectives
	•		•	•	•	Enhance the quality of life of those who live, work or visit Cheshire	Chesl
	•		•		•	Promote social inclusion and accessibility to everyday services for all, especially those without a car	nire Council I
	•				•	Promote the integration of all forms of transport and land use planning, leading to a better, more efficient public transport system	Cheshire Council Local Transport Plan Objectives
			•		•	Contribute to an efficient economy and to support sustainable economic growth and regeneration in appropriate locations	t Plan Objecti
<			•		•	Manage a well maintained and efficient transport network	ves
						Enhance and protect the environment of the borough	Wai
						Improve safety, personal security and health	rington l
			4	4	4	To contribute to an efficient economy and to support sustainable economic growth in Warrington	Warrington Borough Council Local Objectives
<						Improve accessibility and mobility in the borough	Council Lo
	<		<			To promote the integration of all forms of transport and land use planning	cal Transport Plan
	<		4	•	•	Improve the quality of life and transport system and reduce social exclusion and poverty in the borough	ort Plan
<	٠,		4	4	4	Provide appropriate infrastructure to improve the capacity and efficiency of the network and support the economic growth areas	ηΙ
			•		•	Provide access for all to provide better links to employment, education and health	e Local Tra
•	•		•	•	,	Manage demand to ensure that our roads do not become congested and affect the efficient movement of public transport and freight	The Local Transport Plan for Merseyside Objectives
	•			•	•	Protect/enhance the environment by taking positive measures to reduce the effects of travel demand	r Merseysid
	•	4				Support an healthier community by addressing air and noise problems caused by traffic and promote cycling and walking	e Objectives
						Make best use of our existing resources by ensuring an efficient maintenance regime	