



Notice of Intent to Prepare an Enhanced Partnership Plan and Scheme

30th June 2021

To enable the acceleration of local bus service improvements, and in line with the government's Bus Back Better strategy, Stoke-on-Trent City Council hereby gives notice of its intention to prepare an Enhanced Partnership Plan and Scheme, as required and set out in section 138F of the Transport Act 2000.

The Enhanced Partnership Plan is a high level vision and has the following objectives for local bus services in the city:

- Limiting wasteful competition and focusing on access to employment and education, whilst providing access for all
- Improving bus speeds and bus punctuality
- Delivering cleaner vehicles
- Introducing flexible ticketing options
- Improving passenger information
- Increasing usage of local bus services

The Enhanced Partnership Plan will be accompanied by an Enhanced Partnership Scheme, which will set out the detail of how the vision and objectives will be achieved.

Stoke-on-Trent City Council intends to prepare an Enhanced Partnership Plan and Scheme for the local authority area of the City of Stoke-on-Trent.