## Active Travel: Picking Up Speed

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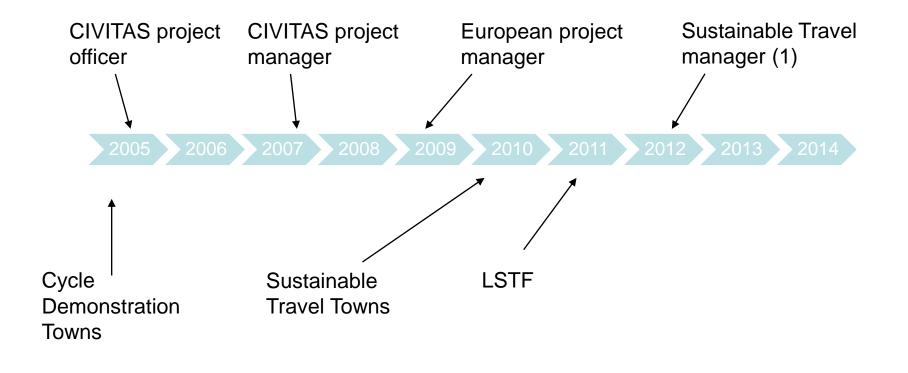


### Outline

- Timeline
- ATE
- LCWIPs
- Competitive bidding
- Lancashire successes

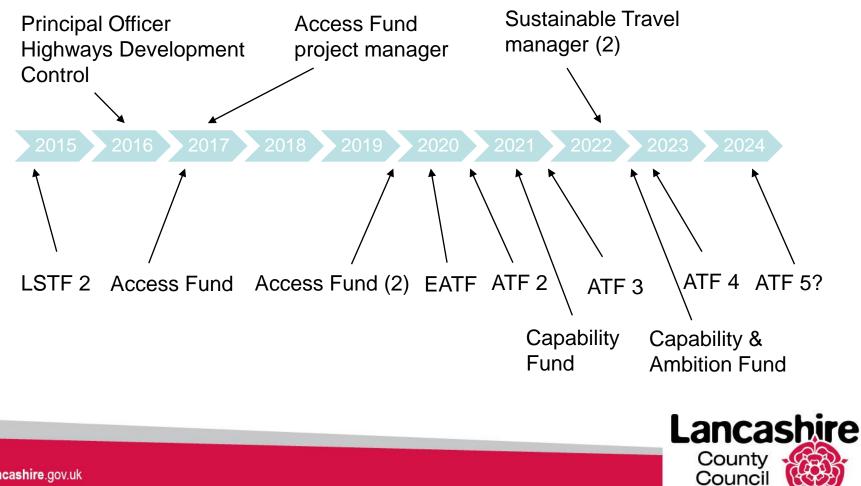


## Timeline (1)





## Timeline (2)



# Policy





## Active Travel England (ATE)

- Executive Agency of DfT
- Tasked with 'enabling achievement of Gear Change vision'
- Main target is 50% of urban trips to be by active modes
- Improvement of design standards LTN 1/20



## Active Travel England (ATE)

- Assessment of funding bids ATF3, LUF, etc
- Programme management ATF4, Capability Fund
- LA self-assessments/ratings
- Statutory consultee in planning system
- LA inspections
- Monitoring & evaluation -> lobbying



## Local Cycling & Walking Infrastructure Plans (LCWIPs)

- Technical guidance launched in 2017, linked to CWIS
- Excellent idea but should be more ambitious
- Launched by DfT now <u>essential</u> for ATE
- Challenging to deliver across different environments -> political context



#### LCWIPs

- Structured process: Data -> consultation -> prioritisation
- Lancashire is developing seven LCWIPs
- Final consultation Summer `23, published in Autumn/Winter `23
- Prioritisation challenging across multiple LCWIPs



# **Competitive Bidding**

- Active Travel not a statutory function, so LA budgets are limited
- Drain on LA resources good for some, not for others
- Competition means best value for government but not for (all) local communities



## Semi-competitive bidding

- ATE want to disperse funding widely
- Indicative allocations with minimum thresholds
- Funding to increase LA capability & pipeline of schemes (develop LCWIP schemes)
- Funding for construction of schemes with high design quality



#### Broadgate CYCLOPS junction upgrade

- Innovative junction design
- Separates peds, cyclists & traffic
- Improved environment outside local shops





Penwortham to Preston Cycle Superhighway

- Segregated cycle facilities, widened pavements, parallel crossing, floating bus stop – lots of green!
- Design felxibility
- Key commuter route
   1 mile to city centre





East Lancashire Strategic Cycle Network

- Mostly off-road shared use route through congested valley
- Community engagement vital
- <u>https://vimeo.com/36</u>
  <u>7694111</u>





#### Revenue/behaviour change

- Over 6,200 adult cycle training/bike maintenance courses
- Over 7,600 bike hires
- Love to Ride 430 businesses, just under 10k people with over 3k new riders





## Thank you

#### Questions, etc

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