

SCOTLANDS TRANSPORT FUTURE

The Scottish Executive released the Transport White Paper "Scotland's Transport Future" in June 2004. According to the Ministerial Foreword "there will be a new transport agency for Scotland and a network of new regional transport partnerships and for the first time there will be a national strategy for Scottish transport. This new approach gives us the opportunity to improve dramatically Scotland's future transport, creating safer, higher-quality, better-integrated services that respect our environment. Most important of all it gives everyone involved in Scottish transport a new opportunity to work together in partnership, to make certain we deliver."

The White Paper can be accessed on the following web link:

www.scotland.gov.uk/library5/transport/stfwp-00.asp

Enclosed for information are the following:

- Minutes of the Council's Policy Development Group meeting on Scotland's Transport held on 5 July 2004
- Agenda item entitled "Westrains – Joint Transport Strategy Consultation" that served before the Council's Strategic Policy Committee on 5 August 2004

The Management Committee is invited to discuss the proposals and submit its comments to the next meeting of the Policy Development Group.

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