**Transport for Lancashire Committee**

**Report to LEP Performance Committee 2nd September 2016**

Since the last Performance Committee on 24th May 2016, the Transport for Lancashire committee has only met once, on Friday 10th June 2016.

At this meeting, Members considered a proposed application from the Lancashire Enterprise Partnership to the Department for Transport's Large Local Transport Schemes Fund for a contribution towards the funding to support the preparation of a fully worked up Outline Business Case for the New Ribble Crossing. The committee recommended that the Lancashire Enterprise Partnership Board agree the submission.

Members also considered a draft brief for consultancy support for a shared analysis to identify the potential economic benefits that might arise across the North of England from improved transport links between Lancashire and North and West Yorkshire. The brief had been prepared by a study group comprising Lancashire and North Yorkshire County Councils and the West Yorkshire Combined Authority in conjunction with the Lancashire, York-North Yorkshire-East Riding and Leeds City Region Local Enterprise Partnerships. The committee recommended that the Lancashire Enterprise Partnership (LEP) Board support the commissioning of the East – West Connectivity: Lancashire to North and West Yorkshire Economic Study, with the LEP agreeing to fund Lancashire's contribution from its strategic case-making budget.