

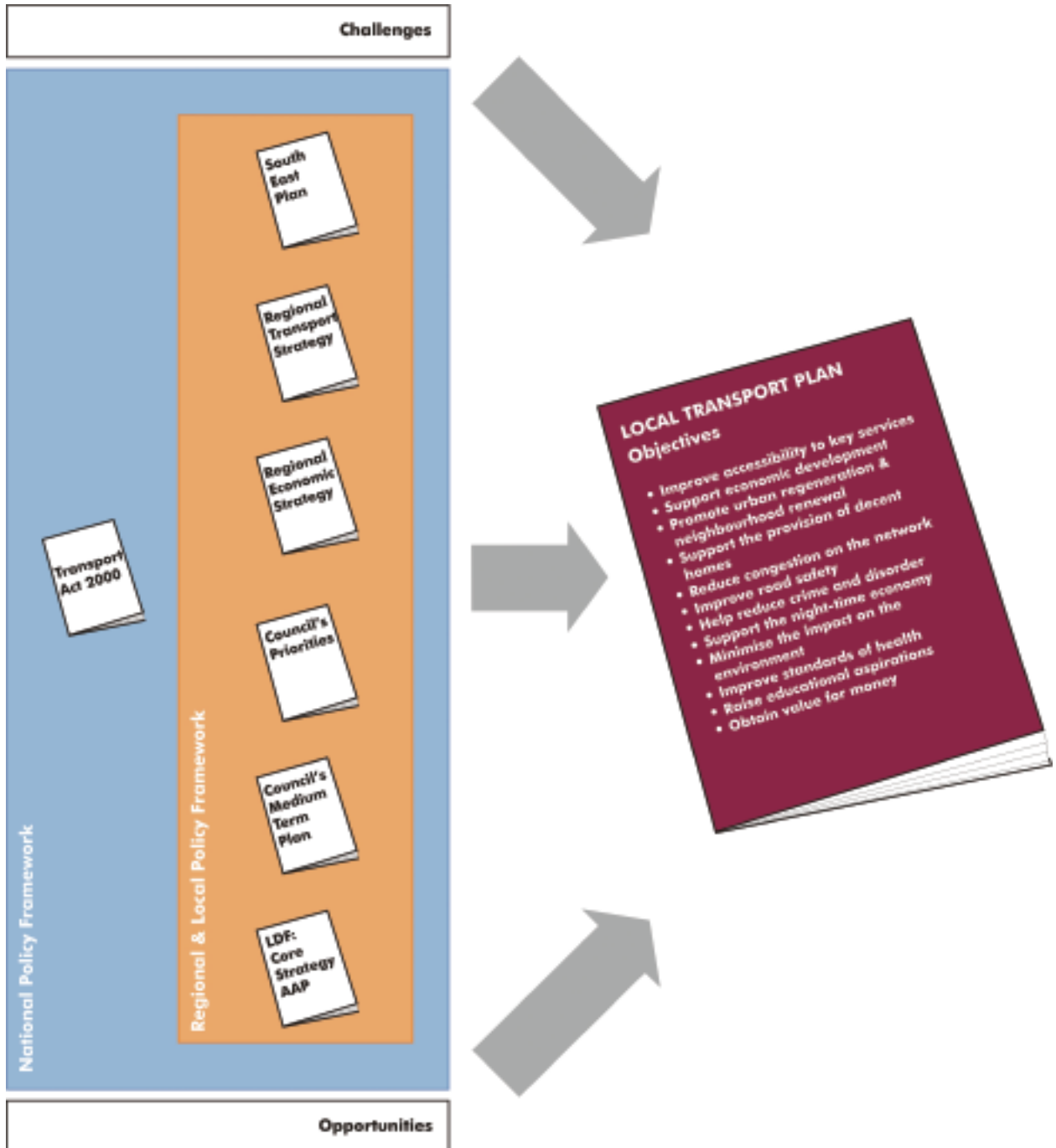
4.1 Introduction

Taking the Transport Vision of the Local Strategic Partnership, the Council's Priorities and wider objectives, and the Shared Priorities for Transport as the starting points, and then considering the challenges and opportunities discussed in the previous chapter, a series of objectives for transport in the City has been identified. These objectives form the basis on which the local transport strategies in Chapter 5 have been developed.

The objectives are as follows:

- **To improve accessibility** – to education, employment, healthcare, retail services and leisure opportunities; accessibility is central to the ability of individuals to play a full part in the life of their community.
- **To support economic development;** the long-term success of the City depends on its continued economic success.
- **To promote urban regeneration and neighbourhood renewal;** the City has eleven priority neighbourhoods where deprivation indicators are at their highest.
- **To support the provision of decent homes;** poor housing is a major indicator of deprivation.
- **To reduce congestion on the network;** the City depends upon its having good transport links, and congestion has an adverse impact on the local economy.
- **To improve road safety;** reducing the number of injury accident casualties is a key element in creating a safer city.
- **To help reduce crime and disorder;** fear of crime can present a major barrier to individual mobility.
- **To support the night-time economy;** the City is increasingly becoming a 24-hour venue.
- **To minimise the impact on the environment;** the quality of the environment is central to perceptions of quality of life in the City.
- **To help improve standards of health;** the health of the City's population is of increasing concern.

- **To help raise educational aspirations;** the City currently has one of the lowest staying-on rates into higher education in the UK.
- **To obtain value for money;** there are never likely to be sufficient funds to undertake everything that is required, so it is vital that the best value is obtained for all expenditure.



The contribution that transport can make towards the fulfilment of these objectives is clearly greater in some cases than in others, but it is equally true that transport impacts to some degree on them all. How these objectives are related to the achievement of the LSP Vision and the Council's Priorities is shown in Table 1.

Table 1 - How do the LTP Objectives contribute towards achievement of the LSP vision and the Council's five priorities?

LTP OBJECTIVES	LSP VISION	SCC PRIORITIES				
		Tackling Deprivation & Inequalities	Promoting Life-Long Learning	Improving Community Safety & Reducing Crime & Disorder	Improving the street-scene & the environment	Promoting Independent Living
Improve Accessibility	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
Support Economic Development	✓	✓	✓			✓
Promote Urban Regeneration		✓		✓		
Support provision of decent homes		✓				
Reduce congestion on network	✓				✓	
Improve Road Safety	✓	✓		✓		
Reduce crime and disorder	✓			✓		
Support the night time economy	✓			✓		
Minimise impact on the Environment	✓				✓	
Improve standards of health		✓			✓	✓
Raise educational aspirations		✓	✓			
Obtain value for money	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

