

REPORT FOR INFORMATION

**SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT FOR TRANSPORT CONSULTATION ON
ROAD USER CHARGING ENFORCEMENT
REGULATIONS**

REPORT OF: The Lead Officer on behalf of the Advisory Board

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To inform the Joint Committee of the consultation on Road User Charging Enforcement Regulations.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. To note the Department for Transport consultation on Road User Charging Enforcement Regulations (Appendix).

FINANCIAL CONSEQUENCES

None at this stage.

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1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Department for Transport is seeking views on a proposal to provide for the fair and effective enforcement of road user charging schemes made in accordance with the Transport Act 2000 (Appendix 1).
- 1.2 The provisions contained in the enclosed proposal would be put into effect by regulations made under Part III of the Transport Act 2000. The regulations will allow enforcement actions such as the issuing of penalty charge notices, the examination of vehicles and equipment and immobilization, removal, storage and disposal of vehicles.
- 1.3 Provisions will also cover arrangements for pursuing debt through the courts and adjudication
- 1.4 It is forecast that these regulations will initially be enforced on the Dartford Bridge however it is anticipated that there will be wider application of these powers with time.
- 1.5 The Department considers the consultation of interest specifically to local transport authorities. The closing date for responses is 28 January 2013

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