



A96 Developer's Implementation Forum

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Scottish Government's Strategic Purpose



To focus Government and public services on creating a more successful country, with opportunities for all of Scotland to flourish, through increasing economic growth.

Who are we?



- **The National Transport Agency for Scotland**
- **We are responsible for:**
 - helping to deliver the **Government's £3 billion capital investment programme over the next decade**
 - overseeing the safe and efficient running of **Scotland's trunk roads and rail networks**



Transport Scotland's Delivery Priorities



- Improved connections across Scotland
- Better journey times, better reliability
- Greener transport alternatives, reduced emissions
- Enhanced safety, more innovation

Why are we involved today?



Transport Scotland are responsible for the infrastructure that will support the development along the A96 Corridor



Strategic Transport Projects Review



- STPR
 - Makes recommendations for infrastructure investment over a twenty year period
 - It is not a funding or prioritisation document
 - We are NOT in a position to set out detail of schemes and exact timescales for delivery

Recommendations in the Highlands



- A9 Dualling from Dunblane
- A96 Nairn Bypass
- A82 Programme of Improvement
- A96 Dualling between Inverness and Nairn, including the A9/A96 link
- New rail station at Dalcross with Park and Ride facilities

Highland Wide Local Development Plan



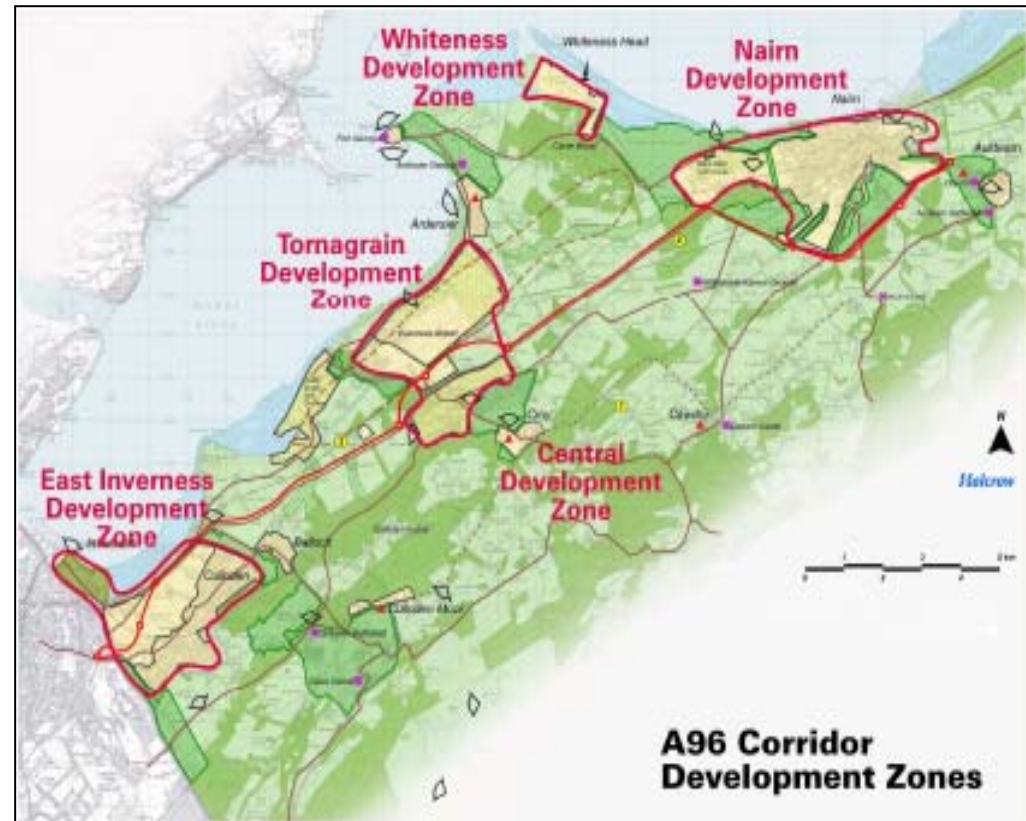
- Transport Scotland are one of the Key Agencies working with DPAs
- What are TS doing?
 - Analytical work to influence the phasing strategy for the next 30 years
 - Preliminary design reviews
 - The Developer Protocol

Highland Wide Local Development Plan



Analytical work will:

- Inform Highland Council's development phasing strategy
- inform Scottish Government Minister's decisions on what infrastructure is required and when
- feed into the Action Plan being prepared by Highland Council
- fall out as planning conditions on phasing and funding contributions



Highland Wide Local Development Plan



Design Review will:

- Review designs and assumptions contained within the framework
- Where possible agree route corridor
- Where possible agree junction strategy
- Identify any show stoppers
- Assist in preparing full design brief

The Development Protocol

- Transport Scotland support the concept
- However**
- Some significant legislative and legal issues which remain to be resolved
 - Some significant cost and proportioning issues which remain to be resolved.

A96 Corridor – timing of infrastructure



- Phasing strategy has not yet been agreed
 - Where will the road go? What will be the preferred route?
 - What information can developers use when preparing master plans?

Transport Scotland and Developers



- **TS are committed to assisting Developers where possible**
- **Need for TS to understand what issues are important to developers**



Thank you

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