

Policies and Strategies Updates	
Update	Notes
National Transport Strategy	Published for consultation in April 2006. The NTS was published in December 2006 along with policies covering railways, bus and freight.
HITRANS Regional Transport Strategy (RTS)	The RTS was published for consultation in November 2006 and was submitted to Scottish Ministers in March 2007.
Aberdeen to Inverness Transport Corridor Study (AITCS)	Transport Scotland published the Aberdeen to Inverness Transport Corridor Study in 2007.
HITRANS A96 Bypasses Economic Appraisal Study	HITRANS A96 Bypasses Economic Appraisal Study was reported to the Economic Development and Infrastructure Services Committee on 17 June 2008.
Strategic Transport Projects Review (STPR)	STPR published in December 2008. Separate Report to this Committee.
Moray Local Plan 2008	The new Moray Local Plan 2008 replaces the Moray Local Plan 2000, and will remain in force for five years, when it will again be reviewed. Moray Local Plan 2008 interprets the strategic direction provided by the Moray Structure Plan 2007 into detailed policies and proposals for use in the determining of planning policies.
Moray Council Priorities	Eight key priorities have been identified: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Flood alleviation</li> <li>• Educational attainment</li> <li>• Care of older people</li> <li>• Community safety</li> <li>• Affordable housing</li> <li>• Rural development</li> <li>• Elgin traffic management</li> </ul>
Moray Council Single Outcome Agreement	The Concordat which was agreed by the Scottish Government and Scottish local authorities in 2007 established a new

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	<p>relationship between the two tiers of government.</p> <p>Roads Infrastructure and traffic management  Transport infrastructure in Moray requires to be developed in order to facilitate the movement of goods and people to and from Moray. Further Moray has a high rate of car dependency and therefore it is a priority for residents to be able to get to their destinations. Upgrading of key trunk roads – the A96 between Inverness and Aberdeen, the A941, A95 A9 and A90 continue to be a priority. Traffic movement within Elgin is also a major concern and requires major improvement if investment within the town is not to be constrained. The Council is committed to supporting and lobbying for an Elgin Bypass and improvements to the roads infrastructure in Elgin and beyond.</p>
National Planning Framework	This is a framework to guide the spatial development of Scotland to 2025.
The Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2006	<p>Scottish legislation covering public contracts. "framework agreement" means an agreement or other arrangement between one or more contracting authorities and one or more economic operators which establishes the terms (in particular the terms as to price and, where appropriate, quantity) under which the economic operator will enter into one or more contracts with a contracting authority in the period during which the framework agreement applies</p>