

Future Highways Research Group FHRG Waypoint Meeting: Q1, 2023

Hybrid Meeting: Virtual & Physical Meeting @ Cranfield University

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Agenda

- Welcome & Introductions (Andy Perrin)
- Sector News (Dominic Browne, Editor, Highways Magazine)
- FHRG Members (Open Discussion)
 - Challenges for 2023.
 - Sharing best practice (Jon Evans, MHA+).
 - Emeritus membership status.
- Human Capital Management Update
 - Key themes, outputs, and next steps (Karen Farquharson, Proving).
 - Diversity in the workforce (Karen Hopley, Amey).
- Future Fleet & Fuels
 - Sector survey; key messages and outputs (Paul Rusted & Karen Farquharson).
 - The challenges for EV / low carbon fleet (Simon Wilson, Proving).
- Comfort Break





• Synthetic Fuels & Telematics: Meeting the Immediate Challenges

- Synthetic fuels; a drop-in replacement for diesel (Shell).
- Telematics; informing efficient operations (MachineMax).
- Recycled & Reused Materials: Membership Survey
 - Proposed sector survey (Simon Wilson, Proving).
- VFM Assessment for Frameworks (Andy Perrin, Proving)
 - New assessment framework overview.
 - Availability, deployment, and next steps.

• Carbon Analyser and CCAS (Simon Wilson, FHRG Research Director)

- Key lessons learnt (Seven-Authority Trial, Vic Walsh & Simon Wilson).
- Standard Process vs Simplified Process Models
- Next Steps, getting involved & Carbon Analyser rollout.
- Expansion for Waste & Recycling Services (Norse).
- A.O.B & Next Meeting
- Lunch



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Member Updates: Open Discussion

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Discussion Points



- News from FHRG members?
- Challenges for 2023.
 - Open discussion.
- Emeritus membership status.



- MHA: Term Community Service Improvement Group recommencing.
- Next meeting: 15th February 14:00 16:00.
- Areas of Focus: Operational delivery, Contract management, procurement models and sharing best practice.
- Member survey issued: Contract duration / model type with Strengths and Weaknesses Question.
- Looking for Attendees: In service contract Managers and operational delivery managers directly responsible for Highway maintenance activity.



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Human Capital Management: Research Theme Update

Karen Farquharson (Research Leader)

Karen Hopley (People Director, Transport Infrastructure, Amey)



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Survey Findings (Update)

Key Points Arising

Status of Local Highways Authority Sector



• External sector challenges

- Cost of living crisis.
 - Scale of pay is becoming even more critical for staff, particularly for the lower-paid.
- Increasing difficulty recruiting even agency staff.
- Inflation and energy crisis operating costs 20%+.

• The move to fully outsource many (or all) highways services has significantly contributed to the problem.

- Many LHA's are progressively de-skilling.
- The roles regarded as challenging and interesting have largely been outsourced.
- A small client team makes recruitment more challenging.
 - Visible evidence of a lack of career progression.
 - Absence of a team can make it a 'lonely' place to work.

• Seeing a steady progression of LHA's to some form of 'Mixed Economy' operating and delivery model.

• Member preference to retain or move customer facing services in-house, (e.g. re-active maintenance).

Status of Local Highways Authority Sector (cont..)

- Recognition that the service needs an adequately resourced and intelligent client / commissioning team.
 - Commercial and strategic acumen to maximise the VfM realised from external contracts.
 - Increasing emphasis on effective stakeholder management skills.
 - Member engagement, local knowledge and understanding (communities, network, priorities and constraints).
- Evidence that a purely engineering background may lead to reduced career progression at the very senior levels of local government.
 - Increasing requirement for experience of 'place' and/or 'environment'.
- LGA: 2021/22 Local Government Workforce Survey, published 19th January 2022.
 - Limited reference to the Highways Sector.
 - 58% of authority respondents (119 Councils) had difficulty in recruiting 'engineering professionals'.
 - 81% offer targeted market supplement (across the authority).

Apprenticeships and Training



- Recognised across the sector that there are significant challenges in accessing local, quality and relevant training, particularly at operator level.
 - Lack of clear and relevant educational and professional progression.
 - Groundworker apprenticeships have limited highways content, focus on construction.
 - 35 registered apprenticeship providers.
 - Closure of level 2 apprenticeships (groundworkers) due to a lack suitable of FE /HE lecturers.
 - Interview with Steve Elliot at Derby College.
 - Lecturers increasingly are not up-to-date in new technologies and techniques.
 - Reluctance by some FE colleges to invite sector experts to assist in training.
 - College pre-requisite that lecturers have teaching not just presentational skills.
- Request to remove the requirement to have GSCE pass in Maths and English for Level 2 Groundworker apprenticeships.
 - Lobby government through ADEPT and Highways Sector Council?

Under-40 Roundtable Discussion (August 2022)

- Good representation from women.
 - Many had entered the sector by 'accident'.
 - Keen to build a career in engineering / highways-related services.
- Flexible working (hours and location) is highly valued.
 - Willing to take a slightly lower salary.
- Working for the good of their community and local environment is often an important consideration.
- Seeking opportunities for career progression.
 - Not necessarily linear progression.
 - Some seeking portfolio careers.
 - Development of skills and experience in adjacent functions/ sector is seen as highly beneficial.
 - Require financial support and mentoring support from employers.
- Improve the quality, content and accessibility of training programmes.
 - Specifically current apprenticeships, NVQ's and HNC's in civil engineering.

HCM Challenges – Viable Solutions



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LGA Workforce Survey (119 Responses)



Of the recruitment and retentions actions shown, which do you consider to be the most effective?

TOP 5	Single / Upper Tier Authorities
Flexible Working	27%
Market Supplements	21%
Targeted Recruitment Campaigns	17%
Career Frameworks	10%
Apprenticeships	8%

Relocation packages, personal development, 'golden hello', secondment, job redesign, government training schemes, estimated at 1-2% success rate.

Sector Initiatives



• Highways Sector Council

- Highways Sector Council (HSC) Future Leaders Group Survey 'To help understand how to make highways a career of choice'.
 - https://highwayssectorcouncil.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/HSC-Skills-Report_271022.pdf
- 'We need to work in greater collaboration as a sector to improve the highways brand, making it a career of choice irrespective of which part of the sector you join or work in. We can only do this with stronger alignment and partnership between the public and private sector, our clients and DfT with collective and agreed targets and commitments'.
- HSC are keen to collaborate with the FHRG and Proving in identifying and implementing solutions.

• England Economic Heartland (EEH).

• Undertaken a 'Skills Sprint' review to be completed by February 2023. Roads Academy is a joint initiative with the roads industry to develop current and future leaders.

TfWM Skills Academy

- <u>https://www.tfwm.org.uk/who-we-are/what-we-do/transport-skills-academy/</u>
- Initially focused on e-learning and work experience.

• Risk that the focus is on better educated, professional staff who are looking for a 'career', within the private sector.

Sector Entry at Operator Level



• Apprenticeships (Level 2)

- Access to relevant and quality training.
 - Who, how what and where?
- Better use of the apprenticeship levy.
- Remove the requirement for GSCE pass in maths and English.
- Extension / tailoring of the University of Derby Asphalt and Pavement Foundation Degree Programme.
- Role of HSC & ADEPT?

• Journey to Work Initiative, Karen Hopley, Amey



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Karen Hoply (People Director, Transport Infrastructure, Amey)

Journey to Work

Collaborating with Local Authorities to help those furthest from the labour market into work

Personal pride in our public service



Long term unemployment is a problem in my local area



We have a good understanding of the reasons why people may be unemployed





We have good systems in my local authority for supporting people furthest from the labour market into work



We have good systems in my local authority area to support people furthest from the labour market once they are in work Journey to Work events aim to provide those furthest from the labour market with the job search skills and support they need to secure employment.

Personal pride in our public service





The benefits of helping this population into work are far reaching: For communities – reduced crime and poverty, improved prosperity, health and education For employers – filled vacancies, improved diversity and future skills For local authorities – all of the above plus reduced costs



CV Writing **Workshops**

Interview Skills Workshops

Mental Health Support

Working Wardrobe or similar charity

Financial Advice & Guidance

Local Employers showcasing opportunities and interviewing for vacancies

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Journey to Work

Wellbeing & Resilience

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Guidance and support on staying physically, mentally and financially resilient when looking for employment.

> Personal pride in our public service

Event Partners

- Staffordshire County Council
- South Staffordshire County Council
- Hays Recruitment Plc
- Wolverhampton Job Centre
- RMS Services Ltd

"Friendly, informative support to get me back in the workplace"

"Really helpful, found exactly what I was looking for"

Results

- 100 vacancies
- 18% offered jobs with Amey on the day
- 36% offered interviews/temp assignments with Hays on the day
- 85% attended workshops
- 14% offered jobs with Amey after the event

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"As a county council one of our priorities is to ensure people have access to better skilled, better paid employment and so we were pleased to work with our partners at Amey and South Staffordshire Council to organise this free event. We hoped that made a difference to people attending - giving them new opportunities and broadening their career prospects."

Cllr David Williams, Cabinet Member for Highways, Transport and Business Transformation, Staffordshire County Council

What's next?

- Journey to Work roll out across the UK
- Expansion of Journey to Work events for school and college leavers
- Increased external organisation support
- Collaboration with Local Authorities to provide greater support to help people who are offered jobs stay in work



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Collaboration is key to success, overcoming challenges and sharing benefits





Discussion:

How can we work together to:

Connect people with vacancies

Help people into work

Support them when they are in work

Share best practice

Tom's Story



Our ask of you:

Give us access to those furthest from the labour market so that we can help them Help us challenge barriers to getting people into work or training Help us support people when they are in work to help them stay in work

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Future Fleet & Fuels: Sector Survey

Karen Farquharson (Research Leader)

Paul Rusted (Research Associate)

Introduction & Fleet Survey



- In early 2022 Proving engaged by a major midlands local authority to carry out a full review of their fleet operation.
- Brief included a survey sent to a number of authorities including all FHRG members.
- Initial 28 questions designed to cover the full range of fleet issues.
- Supplemented by additional questions about pool cars.
- 16 surveys returned.
- 8 comprehensive interviews carried out to provide qualitative data.

Authority Details



- City, County, District, Borough and Unitary Councils responded.
- All centralised fleet service for whole council.
- Most providing full range of fleet management, maintenance and compliance.
- Three with varying levels of maintenance by private sector partners.
- Unfortunately no authority with full or substantial provision by the private sector responded.
- No authority considering full or partial externalisation.
- Capital budgets varied but mainly influenced by replacement programme.
- Revenue budgets not related to size of fleet so more work required on corporate overheads.
- All but two had declared a climate emergency.

Details of Fleet

- Size of fleet varied between 100 1000+, but majority 500 1000.
- Plant varied from under 100 1000+.
- No correlation with type or size of authority.
- Depots varied from 1 10+. Over 10 usually large rural authorities but one district and one borough operating with over 10.
- Adoption of EV and ULEV limited with majority having less than 10% of fleet EV/ULEV and these were cars or light vans. Almost complete absence of larger vehicles.
- Only one authority had managed a complete shift to EV/ULEV.


Details of Fleet (Cont..)



- Many still considering scale of switch to EV/ULEV, others expecting only 25%.
- Interviews suggests fear of early adoption, increased price, range and durability as barriers.
- Some trialling of biodiesel being undertaken. Much interest in hydrogen but lack of availability a barrier. One authority fully switched to GTL with small number of EV's.
- Rapidly changing cost of fuel options hampering long term planning.
- Little evidence of depots being used to generate electricity. Corporate responsibility for depots and energy may be a barrier to holistic planning.
- Lack of distribution network capacity also highlighted as a major problem for EV shift.

Fleet Maintenance



- Majority of authorities using own workshops to maintain fleet and plant.
- Most using dealerships to cater for capacity issues.
- Leased fleet and plant often maintained by supplier.
- Almost universal use of external suppliers for tyres, LOLER, hydraulic hoses etc.
- No authorities operating a standard night shift but many have call out facility.
- Shift patterns vary with start ranging from 06.00hrs to 07.00hrs and finish ranged from 16.30hrs to 21.15hrs.
- Two authorities open Saturday mornings.
- Virtually all reporting difficulty with recruitment and retention especially with technicians.

Fleet Management



- Virtually all authorities now purchasing outright with some support from prudential borrowing or receipts from depot sales.
 - Some examples of hire or lease where outright purchase not possible or desirable.
- One authority using contract hire with an element of flexible hire and one using operator leasing with a similar picture for plant,
- Widespread use of frameworks either collective or regional with some limited use of individual procurement.
- Procurement mainly to a standardised specification with some limited bespoke specifying.
 - Three authorities were still procuring some highly bespoke vehicles.
- No authorities had single badge policies because of procurement restrictions.
- Disposal mainly by auction with most seeing increased prices.
 - Leased or hired vehicles and plant simply returned to supplier.
- Most have own fuel tanks with some use of forecourts. One uses fuel cards.

Fleet Management Systems and Telematics



• Some consistency with fleet management systems with most using Tranman.

- Three using Asset Works, one Chevin Fleetwave and one R2C Online.
- No consistency for telematics with a variety of systems being used and some using multiple systems.
- Those interviewed expressed reservations about usefulness of outputs.

Grey Fleet and Pool Cars



- Little involvement in grey fleet by fleet teams with only five having partial involvement.
- All authorities operating pool cars and two also had small vans available.
- Only one fleet team managed pool cars.
 - For others it was a corporate or departmental function.
- Booking systems ranged from the use of Outlook to Asset Works Motopool.





- Management of fleet emerging as a critical element in efforts to reach net zero.
- Turbulence in energy markets impeding decision making.
- Widespread concern about some of the efficacy of emerging technologies.
- Staff recruitment and retention a sector wide issue.
- Telematics seen as a potentially valuable tool but not yet being effectively used across the sector.

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Coffee Break

10 Minutes

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Future Fuels & Transport: Electric, Hydrogen, Biofuels or Hybrids?

Simon Wilson (Research Programme Director)

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The UK's Carbon Emissions Context, 2023







UK's Carbon Emissions

Continued...



- By 2030 the UK will represent 0.75% of global carbon emissions.
 - Continued investment in renewables, nuclear and electrically-powered equivalents.
 - While carbon emissions growth in Asia and South America will continue to accelerate.
- "The key driver of emissions is not developed nations' energy consumption, it is the drive to escape poverty by developing nations".
 - World Economic Forum, October 2022.
- There are wider benefits for EV than just CO2 reductions.
 - Clean air, reduced noise, increased performance, lower maintenance costs, etc...
 - Especially important when the carbon savings are fully analysed.
- However, there are still significant barriers and complex, interdependent considerations.
 - Poor EV infrastructure ("40+ years to rollout critical grid infrastructure", Steve Stead, SSE).
 - Near parity energy prices and taxes, limited ranges, complex, global supply chains.
 - Immature technologies and

"Zero Emissions" Vehicles?



2030 will see the end of sales of new petrol and diesel cars and vans in the UK. LGVs and HGVs?

Electric vehicles are the future... but are they really zero emissions?



"Zero Emissions" Vehicles? Cradle to Grave Emissions (Average 180K Miles)





*Based on UK energy sources, 2022.

Dr Graham Conway (Automotive Division, Southwest Research Institute)

"Zero Emissions" Vehicles?

However...





*Based on UK energy sources, 2022. * Plug-in hybrid, 30 miles range.

Dr Graham Conway (Automotive Division, Southwest Research Institute)

Carbon Breakeven Analysis







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Where does hydrogen fit?



- Hydrogen demand reached 94 million tonnes (Mt) in 2021, recovering to above pre-pandemic levels (91 Mt in 2019), and containing energy equal to about 2.5% of global final energy consumption.
- Most of the increase came from traditional uses in refining and industry, though demand for new applications (including transport) grew to about 40 thousand tonnes (up 60% from 2020, albeit from a low base).
- There are four main sources for the commercial production of hydrogen: natural gas, oil, coal, and electrolysis; which account for 48%, 30%, 18% and 4% of the world's hydrogen production respectively. Fossil fuels are the dominant source of industrial hydrogen.
 - Steam reforming of natural gas and methane represents nearly 50% of all hydrogen production.
 - Electrolysis using renewable currently represents 0.5% of hydrogen production.
 - Current electrolysis techniques are between 18% and 25% efficient.
- For hydrogen to contribute to net zero, it must be derived from entirely renewable sources.
- Hydrogen should not be considered a low carbon alternative... yet.

A final thought on energy density... American Physics Society, January 2023



Compensating for 15% petrol engine efficiency and the 80% efficiency of an electric motor...

Petrol Energy Density: 47.5 MJ/kg to 34.6 MJ/litre

Lithium Ion Polymer Energy Density: 0.3 MJ/kg to 0.4 MJ/litre

100 times the energy density of batteries.

...a battery with an energy storage density 1/5 of that of petrol would have the same range as a petrolpowered car. "We're not even close."

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Synthetic Fuels & Telematics: Meeting the Immediate Challenges

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Immediate Challenges & Solution Candidates What can be done today?



• Carbon and emissions reductions using biofuels / biofuel blends.

- Sustain and extend the service life of existing fleet vehicles.
- Reducing the costs of process changes required to accommodate EV fleet vehicles.

• Using vehicles and plant more efficiently.

- Significantly reducing the waste associated with inefficient scheduling and deployment.
- Reduce vehicle, plant and equipment idling.
- Optimise VPE utilisation.

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Lower Carbon, Reduced Emissions Fuels

Umut Yavas (Global GTL Fuel MD Manager, Shell)



Dual Emissions Challenge

GLOBAL CLIMATE

Limiting the effects of the global climate crisis by reducing carbon emissions

LOCAL AIR QUALITY

Protecting human health by improving local air quality

Some sectors are hard to decarbonise





New diesel machinery is likely to be in service for decades

What can we do today to tackle emissions?

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What is Shell GTL Fuel?

Shell GTL Fuel is a synthetic, cleaner-burning, drop-in diesel alternative made from natural gas.





What is Shell GTL Fuel?



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What is HVO?

Hydrotreated vegetable Oil (HVO)

is second-generation (advanced) biofuel made from vegetable oils or animal fats.

It is a drop-in alternative to diesel, offering:

- Up to 85% reduction in lifecycle greenhouse gas emissions.
- Fewer harmful emissions.

For large-volume customers, securing a reliable supply of 100% HVO fuel is challenging as:

- The emerging market demand is outstripping supply.
- Production and processing facilities need to be scaled up.



GTL Fuel and HVO: Perfect Partners

	Up to 43% lower lifecycle GHG emissions*			
\checkmark		Up to 38% lower NOx		
	7	Up to 54% lower PM**		

Better security of supply and a lower price*

Human-health, environmental, engine performance and totalcost-of-ownership benefits.

Drop-in solution, available today; chemically identical, both meeting the EN15940 standard, enabling them to be blended in any ratio and used in unmodified diesel engines.

*Compared with crude-oil-derived diesel and using a 55% GTL fuel to 45% HVO blend on a well to wheel lifecycle basis (using UK Government greenhouse gas conversion factors 2021 and EU Directive 2015/652). 'CO2e' is the unit of measurement of GHG emissions - all greenhouse gases are expressed as if they were CO2 using appropriate conversion factors. This calculation is based on averages taken from the UK Government's BEIS and DEFRA Greenhouse gas reporting: Conversion Factors 2021: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/greenhouse-gas-reporting-conversion-factors-2021 . Savings percentages may be lower that stated above, no guarantees provided].**Compared with conventional fuels. The local emissions benefit of paraffinic fuels vs. ordinary diesel varies depending on a variety of factors. These include – but are not limited to - engine emissions level, after-treatment system, engine manufacturer, age, injection timing, and driving style. The numbers provided in the tables below show a range based on actual emissions testing data. On a case-by-case basis actual emission benefits can be higher or lower than those stated above, however, the intention is to give a realistic indication of achievable benefits. ***Compared to feduture Highways Research Group: Waypoint

Fewer GTL harmful emissions



Lower carbon emissions



Reliable supply



Better for human health and the environment



Lower total cost of ownership



Enhanced engine performance



Excellent cold starting down to -20°C



Storage Stability up to 5+ years

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GTL/HVO Blend in the UK



In the UK, Shell are working with a **Route-to-Market partner** to product **GD45 Powered by Shell GTL Fuel** which is a transition fuel solution, bridging the gap between fossil and renewable fuels. Impact today: estimated **246,400** diesel fuelled services vehicles in the local authority sector **Service Life Extension** by switching to Gd45 Powered by Shell GTL Fuel

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Well-to-Wheel (WtW) GHG Emissions



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https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/greenhouse-gas-reporting-conversion-factors-2021 . Savings percentages may be lower that stated above, no guarantees provided].

One Million litres of a diesel (B0) replaced by Gd45 powered by Shell GTL results in a reduction of 1740 tonnes of CO2e.

GHG Total (WTW)						
	g CO2e/MJ	kg CO ₂ e/L	% (B0 =100)			
Fuel Oil	96.6	3.9	116.2			
Diesel (B0)	92.3	3.3	100.0			
Diesel (B7)	86.9	3.1	93.6			
GTL	94.3	3.2	97.1			
GD45	55.1	1.9	56.7			
Sources: UK Gov. GHG reporting: conversion factors 2021						

and EU Directive 2015/652

Reduced Local Emissions

Average Overall % Change in Emission with Gd45 Powered by Shell GTL Fuel relative to retail diesel (B7)







Average emissions saving conducted in trials running Gd45 powered by Shell GTL Fuel

Lower Maintenance Cost and Operational Benefits Modern engines achieve low emissions using specialised systems. Shell GTL can improve their performance:

EGR valves stay cleaner with GTL, improving engine performance.





DPF filters stay cleaner longer with GTL, reducing fuel consumption.



GTL Fuel has the potential to reduce AdBlue consumption by up to **10%**

AdBlue[®]

Experiments with an EGR system

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Additional Benefits





Drop in solution



Noise Reduction up to 8db



Excellent cold starting down to -20°C



Storage Stability up to 5+ years



Vehicle Reliability

Make an instant impact on your fleet today!

OEM Approvals

Shell GTL Fuel is approved by:

35+ OEM's



Summary

Drop in solution that is available today

Solution for both GHG and Local Air Quality

Positive impact on maintenance cost & AdBlue usage

Contact <u>Nabeel.Uddin@shell.com</u> for more information.

	DIESEL*	GTL	Gd ⁴⁵	HVO 100
Suitable for long- distance haulage	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Local emissions (NOx, PM)				
Global emissions (CO2)				
Bioticket Generation				
Noise				
Availability				
Supply reliability				
Fuel price				
Source	OIL	NATURAL GAS	ORGANIC WASTE + NATURAL GAS	ORGANIC WASTE
SUBSTANTIAL DISADVANTAGE	DISADVANTAGE	NEUTRAL	ADVANTAGE	SUBSTANTIAL ADVANTAGE
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Telematics: Analysing Vehicle & Plant Efficiency

James Atkinson (Vice President, MachineMax)

Highways Industry Objectives

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The emissions from the maintenance and construction of our network led to emissions of around 734 thousand

tonnes of CO2e during 2020.





All construction plant and compounds zero emissions by 2030

Net zero part of **MCHW and DMRB** by end 2022 and 2025

UK's first **near zero road scheme** starts in 2025 – opening by 2035



A 0-10% reduction by 2025 compared to 2020



A near zero construction roadmap in 2022



A 40-50% reduction by 2030 compared to 2020





The sustainability impact



of Global emissions is from construction & infrastructure



of plant CO2 emissions comes from: Generators & Plant >3 tonnes

10,000,000

Tonnes per year in UK

2% UK GHG emissions





Average utilisation

4.5 hours / day

Average idle time 45% of operating

hours

± 3,200 tonnes of CO2

emitted

± 1.23million litres of fuel burned


HS2 Project September 2022,58-Machines Monitored

Average utilisation 4-hours / day

1,703 idling hours in 1 month

17 tonnes of CO2 from

idling in 1 month

204 tonnes per annum

± 6,812 litres of fuel
burned idling in a month,
81,744 litres per annum

£13,624 idling fuel cost in 1 month £163,488 per year

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National Highways -UK Smart Motorway Project September 2022,6-Machine Trial

Average machine utilisation = 20% Average idle time ± 33% of operating

hours

± 3.5 tonnes of CO2

emitted a month from

idling 42 tonnes

per annum

± 1,396 litres of fuel burned in a month, idling 16,752 litres per annum £2,792 fuel burned idling in a month, £33,504 per annum



Fuel costs

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	UK
Jan 2022	£1.05
April 2022	+ £0.58
July 2022	£1.96



	UK
Jan 2022	£360.00
July 2022	£704.00

Hitachi ZX210 has a 400L fuel tank



The Data Challenge

- Fragmented & siloed data
- Multiple data owners & stakeholders
- Different inputs & outputs





The Single View

Enabling a single platform view, we bring all your data together from any source.

You'll have fast access to the right data to enable in the moment business decisions.





What our customers say





Power of data

Qualifying OEM & supplier claims

Validation of alternative fuels

Connected sites & connected data sources

Identifying opportunities for EV's







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Reused & Recycled Materials: Membership Survey

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Survey Overview

• Key questions:

- Does your authority have a policy regarding the reuse / recycling of materials?
- Do you have a materials recycling centre?
- Do you purchase recycled materials?
- What percentage of materials do you recycle?
 - By material type.
- What is your experience of using recycled materials?
 - Materials recovery processes and equipment.
 - Materials storage and handling processes and equipment.
 - Recycled materials performance.
- Do you resell any recycled materials or process recyclates on behalf of another authority?
- Will your answers change in the foreseeable future?
 - Do you have a strategy for materials reuse?
 - What are your timescales?
- We will issue all members with an MS-Forms questionnaire after this meeting.
- All answers will be anonymised prior to report publishing.





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Framework Contracts: Value for Money Toolkit

Future Highways Research Group, Eurovia & MHA+ Andy Perrin (Research Leader)



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Background and Purpose

Value for Money Toolkit for Framework Contracts

Background & Purpose



• Sponsored by Eurovia as part of its tender quality submission for inclusion on the MHA MSF4 framework.

• However the methodology developed can be commissioned by any highways authority/supplier for any project whether part of a framework arrangement or otherwise.

• The purpose of the VfM assessment toolkit for frameworks is:

- To help drive consistency, rigour and continuous improvement in the way projects are undertaken, by applying a proven VfM assessment methodology that identifies best practice and facilitates simple value for money benchmarking across projects and programmes.
- To enable local highways authorities to measure and evaluate the VfM delivered by individual projects and, over time, benchmark different projects to identify those that delivered the best VfM, such that the successful traits of those projects can be applied to other projects going forward.
- Because VfM assessments can be applied at any stage of a project, assessments at the feasibility stage will also identify any adjustments required to ensure the project delivers VfM before construction commences.



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Approach and Methodology

Value for Money Toolkit for Framework Contracts

Value for Money Analysis

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VfM Approach for Framework Contracts Principles for Development



• Our VfM methodology for framework contracts must:

- Add value to all parties.
- Be wieldy and proportionate.
- Be fully aligned to and informed by the MSF4 Performance Management Toolkit.
- Be easily transferrable for use with other projects and frameworks.

Draft Factor Set Economy Factors



100	Economy	Client Staff Costs	
101	Economy	Client Management and Supervisory Team	100
102	Economy	Designer Staff Costs	
103	Economy	Designer Management Team	100
104	Economy	Designer Staff	100
105	Economy	Contractor Staff Costs	
106	Economy	Contractor Management Team	100
107	Economy	Contractor Technical Staff	100
108	Economy	Contractor Operatives	100
109	Economy	Supply Chain	100
110	Economy	Cost of Works	
111	Economy	Plant	100
112	Economy	Equipment	100
113	Economy	Materials	100
114	Economy	Cost of Risk	
115	Economy	Early Warnings (Quality/Accuracy/Timeliness)	100
116	Economy	Cost of Risk (Client)	100
117	Economy	Cost of Risk (Contractor)	100
118	Economy	Compensation Events (Quality/Accuracy/Timeliness)	100
119	Economy	Revenue Generation and Savings	
120	Economy	Funding Streams Identified and Secured	100
121	Economy	Savings Secured through ECI Innovation (Annex G)	100
122	Economy	Savings Secured through Value Engineering (Annex G)	100
123	Economy	Overall Budgetary Control	
124	Economy	Project completed within budget	100

Draft Factor Set Efficiency Factors



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200	Efficiency	Feasibility Study	
201	Efficiency	Feasibility Study (Accuracy and Timeliness)	100
202	Efficiency	Budget/Estimating (Accuracy and Timeliness)	100
203	Efficiency	Early Contractor Involvement (ECI)	
204	Efficiency	Desired Investment Level (Accuracy and Timeliness)	100
205	Efficiency	Innovation Identification Process	100
206	Efficiency	Quality of Final Design	100
207	Efficiency	Completed within Agreed Timescales	100
208	Efficiency	Quality of Stage One ECI Scope	100
209	Efficiency	Accuracy and Timeliness of Target Costing	100
210	Efficiency	Accuracy and Relevance of Stage Two Construction Scope	100
211	Efficiency	Implementation and Construction	
212	Efficiency	Adequate Contract Management Software	100
213	Efficiency	Quality of Review and Improvement Process	100
214	Efficiency	Project Closure Phase	
215	Efficiency	Timeliness of Project Closure	100
216	Efficiency	Post Project Review	100
217	Efficiency	Right Resource Selection/Deployment	
218	Efficiency	Client	100
219	Efficiency	Designer	100
220	Efficiency	Contractor	100
221	Efficiency	Supply Chain	100
222	Efficiency	Project Management and Collaboration	
223	Efficiency	Project Management (Collaboration, Efficiency and Quality)	100
224	Efficiency	Comprehensive use of MSF4 Performance Mgt Toolkit	100
225	Efficiency	Contractor Engagement with and Management of Supply Chain	100
226	Efficiency	Customer Care and Public Liaison	100
227	Efficiency	Commercial Management	100

Draft Factor Set Effectiveness Factors



300	Effectiveness	Quality and Timeliness	
301	Effectiveness	Quality of Finished Product	100
302	Effectiveness	Completion within Agreed Timescales	100
303	Effectiveness	Impact of Innovation on Quality of Finished Product	100
304	Effectiveness	Traffic Management	100
305	Effectiveness	Digital Twin	100
306	Effectiveness	Stakeholder Experience and Satisfaction	
307	Effectiveness	Client	100
308	Effectiveness	Designer	100
309	Effectiveness	Affected Local Businesses	100
310	Effectiveness	Affected Local Communities	100
311	Effectiveness	Safety and Social Value during Project	
312	Effectiveness	Safety	100
313	Effectiveness	Sustainability	100
314	Effectiveness	Social Benefits	100

Draft Factor Set Strategic Value Factors

400	Strategic Value	Ensure the safety and wellbeing of all stakeholders.	100
401	Strategic Value	Support initiatives that deliver carbon neutral services, schemes and incentives.	100
402	Strategic Value	Optimise and improve network performance for all users, supporting active travel under all conditions.	100
403	Strategic Value	Enhance the local economy through network expansion and improvement to meet the growth agenda.	100
404	Strategic Value	Sustain a financially resilient service that delivers best value with the resources available.	100
405	Strategic Value	Engage effectively to understand and meet the needs of our citizens and communities.	100
406	Strategic Value	Embrace best practice, innovations and new technologies enabling the service to continuously evolve.	100
407	Strategic Value	Develop and sustain collaborative partnerships that deliver the objectives of all partners.	100
408	Strategic Value	Attract, develop, empower and retain the best people capable of driving a dynamic and agile service.	100
409	Strategic Value	Develop a service that is understanding of social value and actively participates in the delivery of the benefits that it provides.	100

Convergent Strategic Goals of Highways Authorities



- 1. Support initiatives that deliver carbon neutral services, schemes and incentives. (Carbon Reduction)
- 2. Optimise and improve network performance for all users under all conditions.
- 3. Enhance the local economy through network expansion and improvement to meet the growth agenda.
- 4. Sustain a financially resilient service that delivers best value with the resources available. (Best Value)
- 5. Engage effectively to understand and meet the needs of our citizens and communities.
- 6. Embrace best practice, innovations and new technologies enabling the service to continuously evolve. (Innovation)
- 7. Develop and sustain collaborative partnerships that deliver the objectives of all partners. (Collaboration)
- 8. Attract, develop, empower and retain the best people capable of driving a dynamic and agile service. (Skills Transfer and Learning)
- 9. Develop a service that is understanding of social value and actively participates in the delivery of the benefits that it provides. (Social Value)

Draft Factor Set Stakeholder Value Factors



500	Stakeholder Value MHA	
501	Stakeholder Value Framework Community Board	100
502	Stakeholder Value Client	
503	Stakeholder Value Portfolio Holder	100
504	Stakeholder Value Local Elected Member	100
505	Stakeholder Value Project Sponsor	100
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500	Stakeholder Value Other	
500	Stakeholder ValueOtherStakeholder ValueThird Party Funders	100
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Next Steps and Timeline

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Next Steps and Timeline



• MHA Communities Board Sub Committee to review draft factor set and scoring guide.

- Sub Committee membership to be established following MHA Communities Board meeting January 23.
- Sub Committee review (including wider consultation) to be completed by 30th April 23.

• Previous projects cross check.

- Three previous project closure files to be assessed against the VfM factor set and scoring guide to evaluate alignment.
- Reviews to be completed by 28th February 23.

• Pilot Review.

- VfM assessment to be undertaken for live project by 30th April 23.
- Update factor set and scoring guide to reflect learning.
- MHA+ Communities Board sign off by 31st July 23.



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Carbon Calculation & Accounting Standard (CCAS) & Carbon Analyser

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Pioneer Programme

Learning From Sector Practitioners



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What have we learnt so far...



• Many observed factors and considerations are shaping the CCAS and Carbon Analyser.

- The seven authority trial is significantly reshaping our thinking and the proposed methods.
- The process is becoming simpler and easier to implement (driven by accuracy and pragmatism).
- Highest carbon factors are not where we expected.
 - Materials are less than fuels, commuting and home working.
- Carbon measurement and management readiness is highly variable.
 - Data readiness, culture and teams readiness, reduction initiatives management readiness.
- Policies, initiatives and boundaries are highly inconsistent.
 - Significantly reducing the ease of benchmarking.
- LHA's and their supply chains are solutioneering...
 - ...ahead of understanding their carbon position: a very risky approach.
 - e.g. understanding carbon efficiency as a KPI.
- Many solutions are greenwash.
 - 52% of the 77 assessed options have little or no carbon benefit.
 - Blinding LHAs to better performing options (e.g. fleet SLEP + biofuels?, improved efficiency).

CCAS Guidance Development

Seven-Authority Pioneer Programme







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Standard Process: Comprehensive Analysis & Reporting (Recommended)

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Standard Process & Toolset Route Map

High Granularity (Recommended Method)





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High Granularity (Recommended Method)







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Simplified Process: GHG Compliant Analysis & Reporting (Requirement?)

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Simplified Process & Toolset Route Map

Medium Granularity (Reporting Compliance Only)





Simplified Process & Toolset Route Map Medium Granularity (Reporting Compliance Only)

Step 2



P<u>ur</u>chased Staff & Operative Premises Combusted Fuels & Commuting & & Sites Electricity Travel ±70% accuracy and completeness (awaiting Step 1 Step B Step 5 Step 6 calibration). **Purchased Materials** Service Map Provider Carbon Service Value for & Waste Disposal & <u>D</u>efaults Money Assessment Statements **High level carbon** analysis and benchmarking only.

Step 3

Step 6

Carbon Reporting

& Benchmarking

Easy access programme for lower readiness authorities.

Typical first reporting cycle of 23 days.* Anticipated subsequent cycles of 11 to 14 days⁺. *Process execution, embedding and training. +*Excludes provider days.

Simple transition to standard CCAS process.

Step 4

Step A

Step C

Strategic Carbon

Reduction Options

S<u>e</u>rvice

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Benchmarking: Tiers & Decision Mapping

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Benchmarking Tiers (Azure® Carbon Dataverse)

- Service.
- Site.
- Vehicles, plant and equipment (VPE).
 - By vehicle type.
- Function.
 - E.g. Winter Maintenance.
- Profile component.
 - E.g. Materials.
- Innovation.
 - Strategic options.

• Links to internal and value chain decision trees.

Decision Tree Mapping





Mapping carbon information to key decisions within local authorities.

Decision Impact Assessment By Function & Activity

Assessing the impact of carbon "trade space" data on decisions by function and activity.

Function	Activity	Scale of Change	Scale of Impact	Implementation Timescales
Countryside	Reactive Team (Public Rights of Way)			
Drainage & Flood Risk Management	Flood Risk Authority (Planning & Management)			
Fleet, Plant & Equipment	Fleet Management & Fleet Maintenance (External)			
	Plant & Equipment Management & Maintenance (External)			
Highways Development Management	Highways Development Control & Road Adoptions			
Laboratory Services	Condition Assessments			
	Consultancy Services			
	Fleet Management & Fleet Maintenance (Lab)			
	Materials & Methods Testing & Standards Setting			
	Site Investigations & Surveys			
Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership	Road Safety Advisory Services			
	School Crossing Patrols			
Local Highways Management	Reactive Maintenance Teams			
	Safety & Risk Inspections (Carriageways & PRoW)			
Programmes	Design			
	Major Schemes Construction, Supervision & Quality Assurance			
Materials Handling & Storage	Materials (Reactive & Preventative)			
	Waste & Recycled Materials Management			
Network Management	Civil Parking Enforcement			
	Network Regulation			
	Permitting, Enforcement, Streetworks Coordination & Reinstatements			
Network Resilience	Emergency Response Services & Management			
	Fleet Management & Fleet Maintenance (Winter Maintenance)			
	Winter Maintenance Operations & Management			
	Winter Treatments (Salt Haulage & Materials Management)			
Operational Asset Management	Carriagway Micro			
	Client Design & Works Ordering			
	Drainage Cleansing			





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Carbon Analyser: FHRG Access Programme (FHRG Members Only) Future Highways Research Group

Benefits of Carbon Analyser



- A research-led process and toolset.
 - Shaped and tested with seven local highways authorities.
- A simple in-house, transparent and repeatable process for carbon reporting.
 - Simple five-step process.
 - Minimum operational overhead for reporting.
 - Reducing dependencies on expensive external consultants and carbon specialists.

• GHG compliant reporting.

• Boundary, cycle, assumptions, carbon statements, carbon reduction plan.

• Multi-year carbon footprint reporting.

- Uses your selected baseline year as the start year.
- Carry forward previous years' carbon profiles and data (to reflect only operational changes).
- Highways specific.
 - Includes all key highways considerations for activity-based carbon reporting.
- Compatible with data exports for Brightly Software's Confirm.

Benefits of Carbon Analyser

Continued...



- Integrates all key carbon data sources.
 - Including ICE, BEIS, NH, AADT and TAG.
 - This will be further updated to the National Infrastructure Carbon Schedule (NICS) in Q4, 2023.
- Preloaded with highways sector carbon profile templates.
 - 36 standard carbon profiles (aligning with common expenditures (i.e. resurfacing)).
- Preloaded with options for carbon reduction.
 - 54 carbon reduction options (subject to further "greenwash" qualification).
- Links to your strategic drivers and VfM assessment.
 - Transfer from your VfM data from your last assessment.
- Fully benchmarkable: at service, fleet, activity, and component levels.
 - For costs, carbon, longevity, TRL, process complexity, and operational performance.
 - Subject to enabling the "Data Sharing" option.
 - Using the Microsoft Azure[®] Carbon Dataverse.
- Three years of updates and support.
 - All software and data sources will be updated annually, based on the latest published tables.



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Carbon Accounting: Beyond Highways

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Beyond Highways Services In Funding Order









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Carbon Analyser Costs



• Monthly fees for Carbon Analyser (SaaS).

- Package includes:
 - Software and access support (working hours only).
 - Users management.
 - Microsoft Azure Carbon Dataverse / SQL Server Client licenses.
 - Microsoft Client Access Licenses (RDS).
 - Annual carbon factor updates (all sources).
 - Carbon Analyser updates (instantly available).
- Monthly price per organisation (maximum 3 non-concurrent users): £ 119.00.
- Monthly price per additional user (concurrent): £ 38.00.
- Monthly price per additional service (i.e. waste and recycling): £ 93.00.
 - Additional services will not include carbon templates or carbon reduction options.
- Only available to FHRG members.
 - Pricing for ADEPT users will be announced in Q3, 2023.

Carbon Analyser Costs



• "Quick Start" programme.

- Package includes:
 - On-site planning and goals setting workshop.
 - Facilitated on-site workshops to complete baseline year data collection, analysis and reporting.
 - Process and toolset embedding planning.
 - Review of carbon reduction options.
 - Review of strategic and operational implications (requires a recent VfM assessment).
- Programme fee: £ 15,650.

• Carbon Analyser and CCAS training.

- On-site training.
- CCAS and Carbon Analyser course curriculum.
 - Including principles and best practice.
- Standard course fee: £ 850.00.
- Service-specific training fee (requires "Quick Start" programme): £ 1,100.



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Carbon Analyser: Registration Process

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Contact the FHRG for further details.

Register your interest and review the tools for suitability. Current capacity constraints allow us to add a maximum of four users per month from 1st April 2023. Complete the new user access form and return it to Your Office Anywhere (YOA), our SaaS partners for *Carbon Analyser*. You will be issued with usernames and passwords. Complete the issued proforma workbook, providing schedules of premises, staff, and vehicles, plant and equipment. Your data will be uploaded to Carbon Analyser. Schedule your carbon assessment and training workshops. These are hosted on your premises and can include any staff who wish to be involved.







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Your Office Anywhere: Brief Overview of Service

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Your Office Anywhere overview



Introduction

- Delivering Remote Desktop Services solutions for 25+ years.
- Consulting and Managing RDS projects for household names such as Heinz, Aviva, Northumbrian Water, Essex and Suffolk Water.
- Started hosting arm in 2005, providing RDS solutions for thousands of users.

• YOA's role in the Carbon Analyser Early Access Programme.

- Provide a secure, fully managed, platform to host the Carbon Analyser application
- Act as first line support for all users to help with platform or application issues

• Providing Secure Access

- Introduce ISO 27001 compliant process to ensure access is secured to the right people.
- Self service password reset page for users based on the registered business email address.

• Supporting users

- Helpdesk available 8.30am 5.00pm Monday Friday for general support. 24/7 for critical issues
- Triage issues to allocate to either Proving Services for application issues, or YOA for platform ones
- Offering workarounds or advice for known application issues



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Next Meeting: Agree Date & Location

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