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RTP Chairs Look Forward To Announcement on STPR

At their meeting on 4 December the Chairs of Scotland's 7 Regional Transport Partnerships discussed the imminent announcement of the Government's Strategic Transport Projects Review (STPR).

The unanimous view of the group was that the STPR provides a key opportunity for the Government and RTPs to work in partnership to develop means to deliver essential transport services and infrastructure in an increasingly challenging set of economic circumstances.

HITRANS Chairman Duncan McIntyre, the host of the meeting, said "RTPs are very well placed to support the Government in delivering their key objectives through the development and delivery of strategic transport services and infrastructure" He went on to say, "The RTPs work in a very close and cohesive manner that enables the relationships between national, regional and local transport priorities and objectives throughout Scotland to be consolidated and understood. This creates a very clear picture for transport in Scotland which would have high value when effectively embedded in any delivery framework."

The Chairs would look forward to discussing their ideas for effective delivery of the detail of the STPR with Government Ministers at an early date.

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