Introduction

This guidance is issued by the Learning and Skills Council (LSC) pursuant to its power under section 509AB(5) of the Education Act 1996 and its subsequent amendments. Local Authorities must have regard to this guidance in preparing their Transport Policy Statement under section 509AA of the Education Act 1996 and its subsequent amendments.

For the purposes of clarification it has been decided to distinguish between the guidance or the statutory duty, and the partnership, however, in practice it is important to recognise that these elements should be used together as a strategic approach to transport planning for learners of sixth form age and above. Therefore the sections should not be read in isolation.

This guidance comprises 3 sections:

Section 1
Guidance to Local Authorities in Preparing their Transport Policy Statement for Learners of Sixth Form Age

Section 2
The Post-16 Transport Partnership

Sets out the purpose of the transport partnership and its associated funding. Details the allocation for 2009/10 academic year and includes the schedule for funding and the template for the annual financial return.

Section 3
Good Practice

Provides examples of good practice in all areas of post-16 transport support.