



Causeway talks to

Sheffield City
Council

What Causeway do for Sheffield CC

- Central store for all information
- Managed delivery process
- Integration with finance and works order systems
- Effective reporting
- Efficient project delivery
- Integration with corporate GIS

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Jim Fletcher

LTP Programme Manager

Business: Local Government

Solution: Causeway Scheme Management

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In 2003, the Transport and Highways Division of Sheffield City Council and Causeway (formerly ECL), embarked on a project to replace the Division's outdated Local Transport Plan (LTP) monitoring system.

Principally, like many other transport authorities, the LTP monitoring system was highly labour intensive, and incapable of meeting Central Government performance related reporting requirements effectively.

The changing nature of LTP delivery places a greater emphasis on effective project, financial and performance management supported by suitable IT systems. This led to the implementation of the Causeway Scheme Manager solution.

The underlying business requirement was a management system capable of meeting the challenges of LTP delivery in forthcoming years.

Specific objectives were:

- Delivering Best Value
- Programme Reliability
- Accurate Forecasting
- LTP Reporting
- Financial Control
- Performance Monitoring
- Effective Project Delivery
- Flexible Reporting

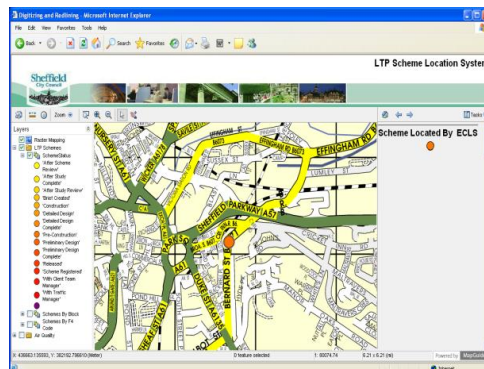


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Causeway Scheme Manager is the product of a detailed analysis of systems and processes required to support effective delivery of a diverse range of transport, road safety and maintenance schemes. Working closely with the Transport and Highways Division of Sheffield City Council, leading construction IT specialist, Causeway Technologies, developed the resulting system in phases to achieve early implementation - the first phase being operational within some 3 months of the original brief. Subsequent phases have seen a number of enhancements including dynamic integration with the Councils corporate finance and project planning systems

Since the system was first introduced in Sheffield, a number of other authorities have now adopted Scheme Manager, including Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council, Surrey County Council, Darlington Borough Council, Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council and Somerset County Council.

enabling more informed benchmarking. The business benefits can be assessed in terms of the time and cost savings, where the cost of the system has already been recovered within its first year of use."



LTP Programme Manager for Sheffield City Council, Jim Fletcher, went on to say that "the Causeway/Sheffield City Council partnership has been very successful in developing a Local Transport Plan Management System. Scheme Manager is capable of dealing with the complex nature of LTP delivery now and in the years to come."

"Live and interactive, the system is able to manage large volumes of data and information accurately and flexibly leading to improved analysis. Together with improved delivery processes, the introduction of the system has led to an increased confidence in the Council's ability to deliver LTP objectives and programmes on time and in budget."

In direct response to the growing interest, further new modules are planned as more authorities look to emulate the successful implementation of Scheme Manager as they seek to meet the DfT's funding and performance targets. More recent developments have seen the addition of a new GIS module, providing a whole new dimension to the LTP process.



Barry Blake, Director of Causeway Technologies, commented that "Scheme Manager is a good example of a successful industry partnership. In addition to meeting all of the core business goals and objectives, the system has provided more time for analysis, allowed more informed decision making, improved the ability to monitor outputs & outcomes, as well as

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