



Merseytravel and the Environment

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Who are Merseytravel?

- Merseyside Passenger Transport Authority and Executive
- Responsible for co-ordinating public transport in Merseyside
 - 18 elected representatives
 - Funded by 5 local authorities (levy)
 - Funding from central government (grant / loans)
- Local Transport Bill heralds changes to roles and responsibilities of PTAs/Es (“Integrated Transport Authorities”)





The Role of Merseytravel

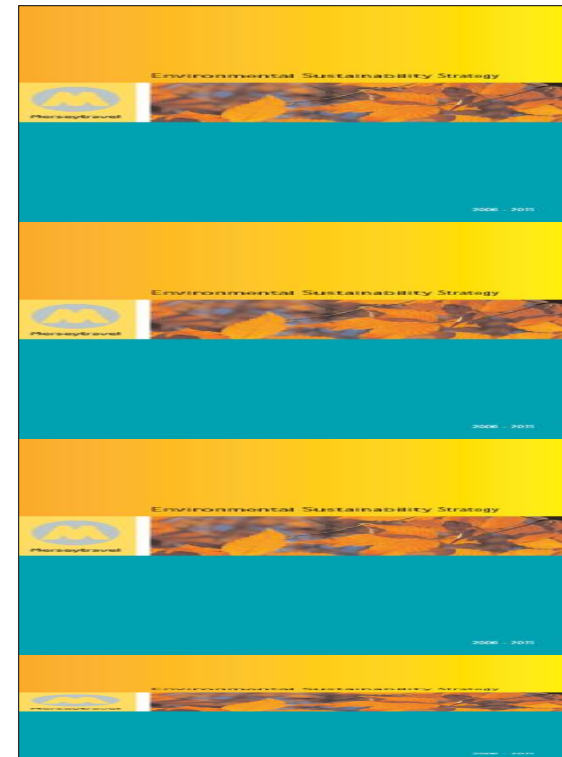
- Jointly develops transport plans and policies
- Builds new public transport infrastructure, eg:
 - Bus & rail stations
 - Bus stops & shelters
- Operates local rail services, ferries and road tunnels
- Administers travel tickets and concessionary travel
- Supports non-commercial bus services
 - Does not run buses
 - Does not employ bus drivers
 - Does not control the highways





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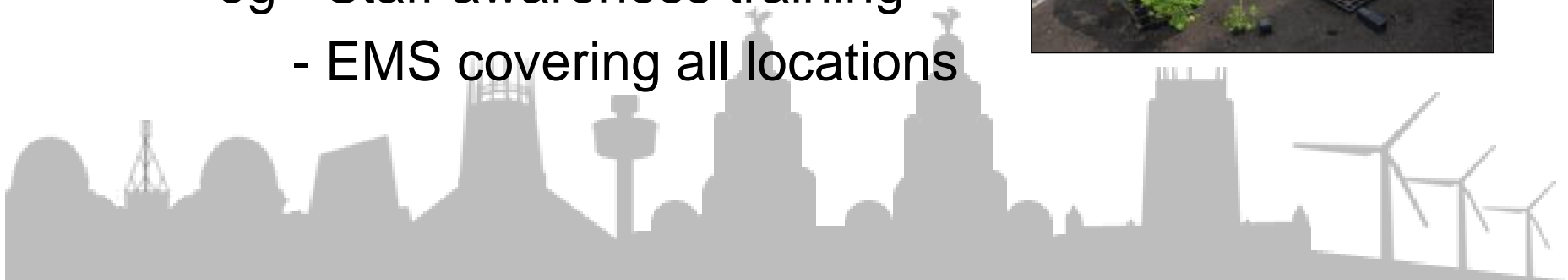
- Joint partner in statutory Merseyside Local Transport Plan
- Environmental Sustainability Strategy since 1996 that covers all our operations across Merseyside
- Produce annual Environmental Report outlining our successes and challenges
- Environmental Management System complying to ISO14001 standard





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- Contribute to encouraging environmental sustainability across Merseyside
 - eg - World Environment Day
 - Support NW EMS Network
 - LTP Sustainability Group
 - Hybrid buses and biofuels
- Reduce our own organisational environmental impacts
 - eg - Staff awareness training
 - EMS covering all locations

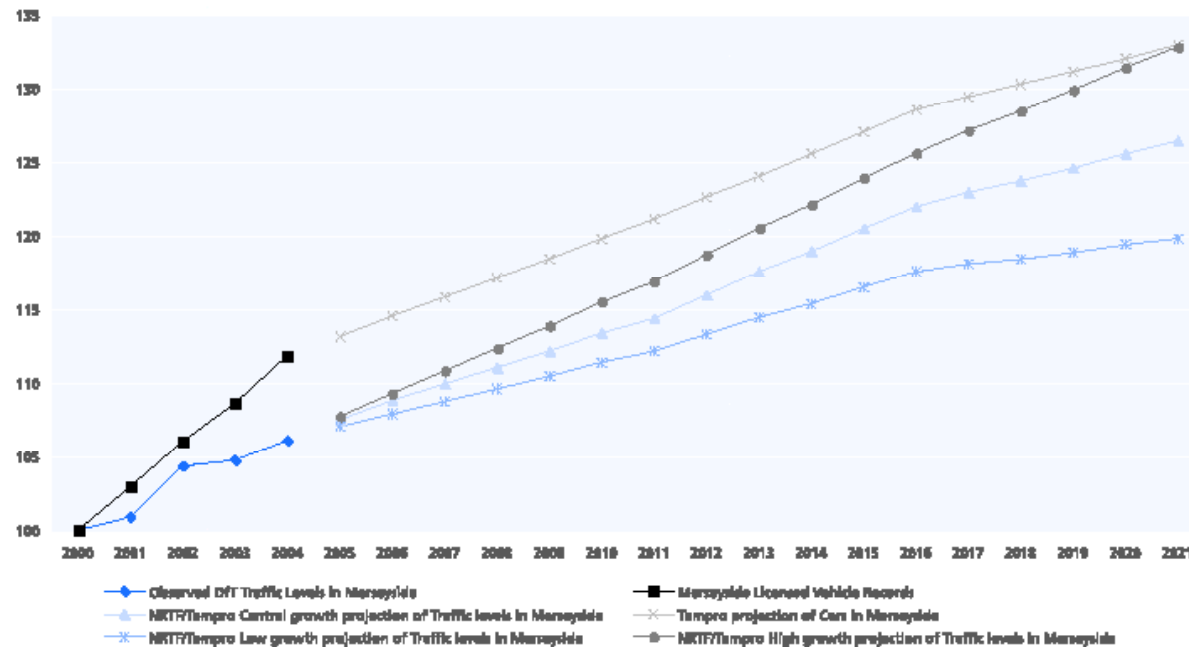




The Environmental Challenges

Increasing emissions affecting Climate Change and Air Quality

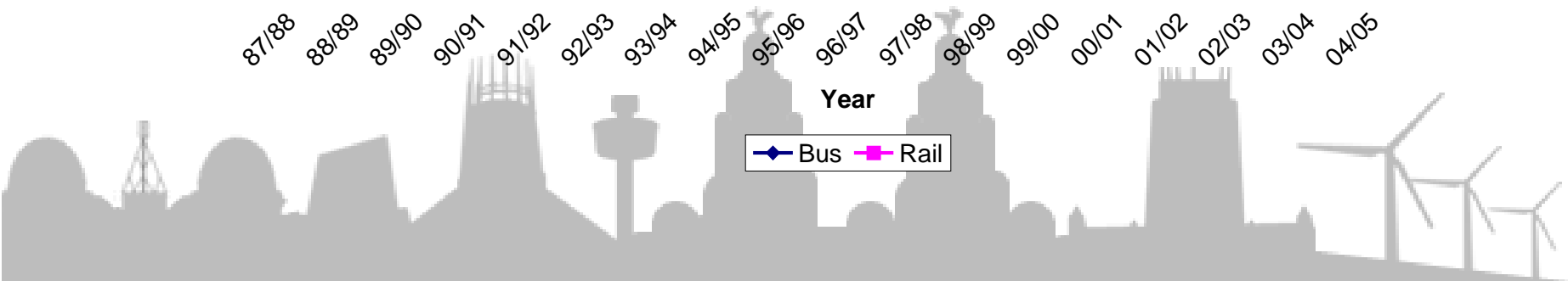
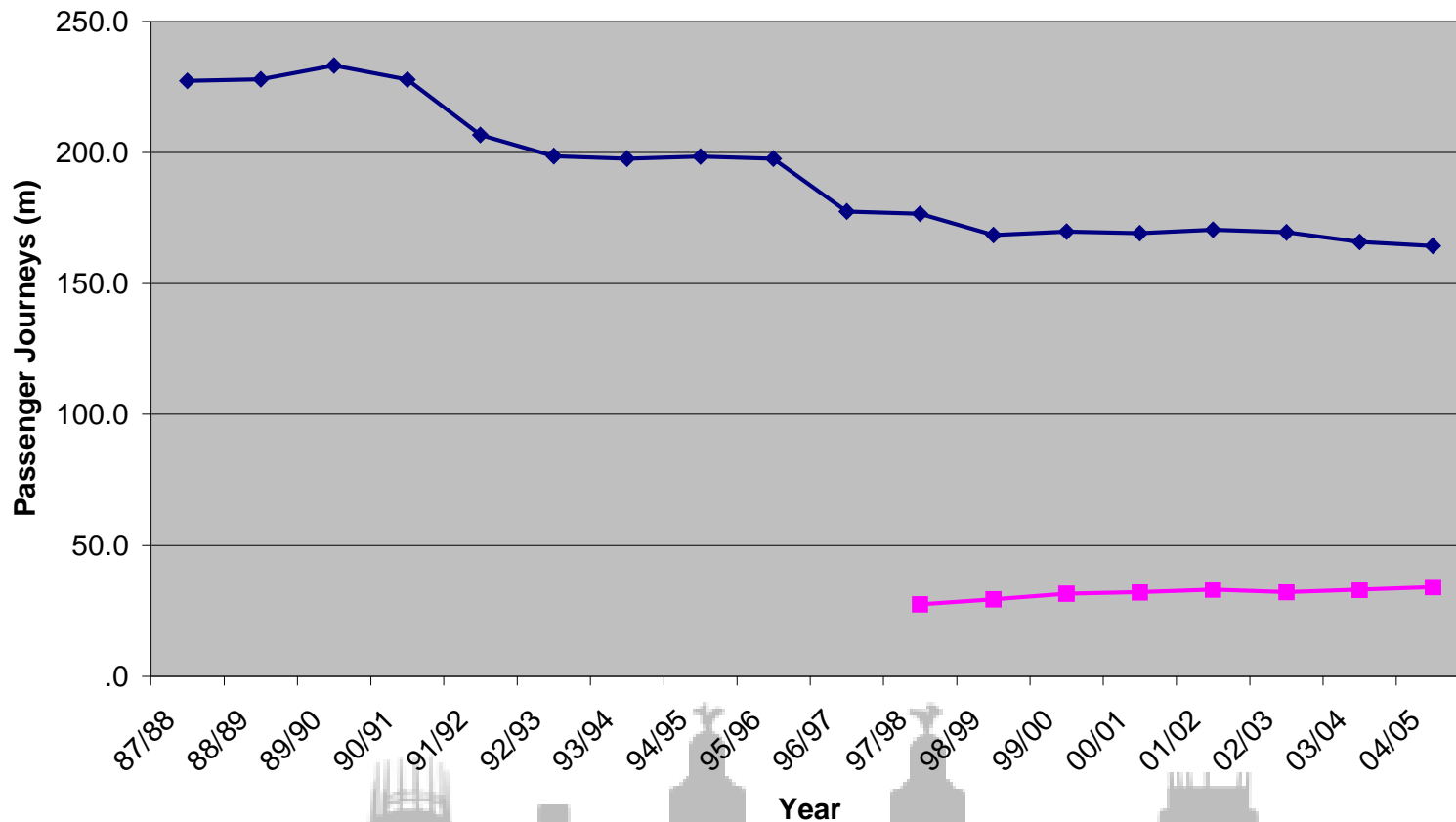
Figure 4-7: Car Ownership and Traffic Growth - Trends and Forecasts





The Environmental Challenges:

Bus and Rail Patronage 2001 – 2005





Opportunities

- Work with partners to encourage sustainable town planning
- Redevelopment of Kirkby to include new bus station
- Powers to build MerseyTram Line One active until 2010





TravelWise

- TravelWise programme promoting sustainable travel
- School Travel and Business travel plans reducing car use and congestion

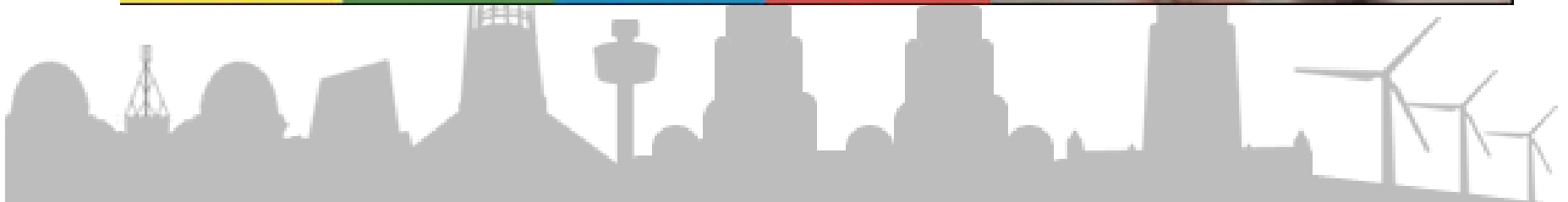
Walking - the perfect way to reduce your carbon footprint!

MoneyWise, ClimateWise...
www.LetsTravelWise.org

TRAVELWISE
MERSEYSIDE

Public Transport Walking Cycling Traffic

The advertisement banner features a green background on the left with white text. On the right, a photograph shows two women walking and smiling. Below the text is a white bar with the 'TRAVELWISE MERSEYSIDE' logo. At the bottom, a horizontal bar is divided into four colored segments: yellow for 'Public Transport', green for 'Walking', blue for 'Cycling', and red for 'Traffic'. Each segment contains a small icon representing the mode of transport.





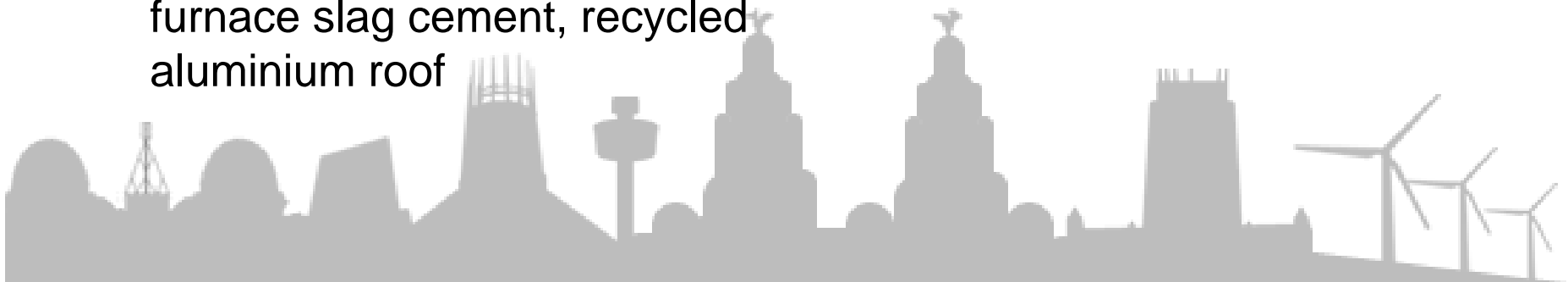
Sustainable Design

- Liverpool South Parkway – benchmark award winning interchange facility providing rail, bus, taxi, secure cycle parking and 240 park and ride spaces. Provides link to John Lennon Airport.



- BREEAM rating of Very Good. Sustainable features – solar PV, ground source heat pumps, rainwater harvesting, blast furnace slag cement, recycled aluminium roof

- We aim to achieve these standards on all building developments Merseyside wide





Conclusions

- Clean, accessible, reliable public transport is key to meeting our environmental challenges
- Merseytravel committed to best practise and innovation in design, construction and operation
- Environmental Strategy guides our operational decisions across Merseyside
- Joint partners in Merseyside LTP embedding sustainability in transport projects
- Promote, develop and operate facilities supporting 'smart' transport choices





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