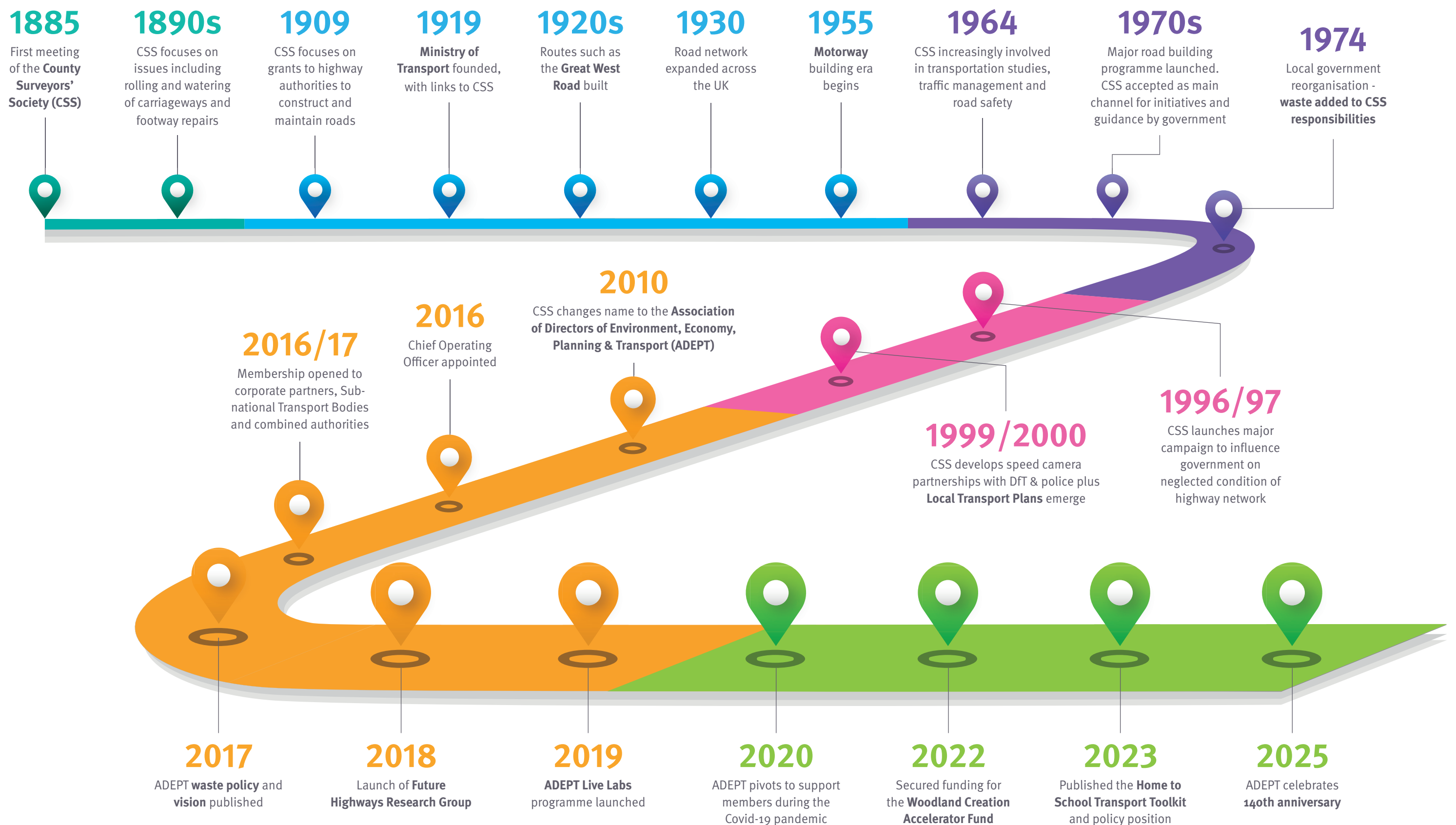


Celebrating 140 years of excellence in place-based leadership across environment, economy, planning and transport

ADEPT has evolved from the County Surveyors' Society - originally focused on road construction and maintenance - into a modern organisation serving local authorities across the place agenda.

Dating back to the first meeting of the County Surveyors' Society on 19th November 1885, the organisation has consistently served as an authoritative voice, successfully influencing national policy and providing insight into funding and policy changes for both local and national government. ADEPT acts as a vital resource for members, providing professional guidance, networking opportunities, knowledge sharing and promoting innovation.



Did you know?

ADEPT members:

- Serve **80% of households** in England – that's **42+ million** people.
- Handle **75% of all recycled waste** in England.
- Collect **16 million** tonnes of waste a year.
- Recycle or compost **7 million** tonnes of waste a year.
- Manage **164,000 miles** of road.
- Invest **£3.87 billion** a year on highways and transport services.

Key achievements over the last decade:

Innovation:

- Helped the local highways sector prepare for future challenges including via the **Live Labs programmes** and delivered targeted training through the **Carbon Leadership Programme**.
- Identified emerging challenges and developed practical solutions such as the **Digital Academy** and our joint work on **adaptation pathways**.

Policy and government influence:

- **Shaped government policy** across key areas on highways, waste, multi-year funding settlements, planning and the environment.
- Strengthened impact through **cross-departmental collaboration** and **strategic partnerships** such as our work with ADCS on home to school transport.

Professional development and collaboration:

- Workforce transformation - developed EDI and retention initiatives alongside the **'Find Your Path' Gen Z recruitment campaign**, to address skills gaps and build a more inclusive local government workforce.
- Established **leadership development** at the heart of member support, strengthening capability across local government.
- Built extensive **networks of regional and subject boards**, and technical working groups, driving knowledge sharing and best practice.