**ADEPT South East Board meeting 12 October 2018**

The South East Board met on 12 October. Simon Babes presented on O2’s *Trip Information System* (TIS) – a national database that provides a consistent and robust dataset for UK transport planners and engineers. With a base of 3 billion trips, the web based tool provides users with the ability to extract origin-destination matrices and route matrices. O2 and Jacobs launched the TIS with Highways England in September 2017, to support traffic modelling, transport planning and appraisal activities, covering the whole of mainland UK.

Using TIS offers significant savings in terms of time and money over manual surveys and RSIs. It provides a more robust data sample on which to base transport models, typically capturing 30% of trips in an area and offering a significant improvement over traditional methods. TIS also went through a rigorous 12-month validation exercise with Highways England and independent transport engineering consultancies. Regional transport planning can also benefit as TIS offers a nationally consistent dataset. Finally, users of TIS can expect to extract origin destination matrices for their projects in three days, dramatically reducing the waiting time for data collection.

The meeting also heard from James Potter, Assistant Director for Waste at Hampshire County Council. James gave an update on the developing Resources & Waste Strategy (still to be published by Defra) and the proposed incineration tax.

Stuart Jarvis announced he would be stepping down as chair of the Board. His successor will be announced shortly.