

TOLL REVENUE FORECASTS

- 7.36 This section presents the annual toll revenues produced corresponding to the traffic forecasts for the two bridges at Halton. Tables 7.71 and 7.72 present the forecast toll revenues for the Mersey Gateway and Silver Jubilee Bridge respectively in 2006 prices. These toll revenues are based on the agreed toll assumptions and the associated traffic forecasts. They are a linear interpolation from the 2015 and 2030 model forecasts. There has been no allowance for toll discounts in these forecasts, other than for the use of electronic tags as specified in Chapter 3.
- 7.37 In terms of the trend in annual toll revenues over time, which are wholly determined by changes in traffic flows as the toll charges are assumed to remain constant in real terms, these traffic forecasts show an increase between 2015 and 2030 of 28% for the combined MG and SJB.

COMPARISONS OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT TRIPS

- 7.38 The Mersey Gateway modelling system has also been used to prepare corresponding public transport forecasts, based on the matrices described in Chapters 5 and 6. However, in respect of the change between the Do-minimum and the with scheme case the demand changes for cross river public transport movement at Halton were minimal.