

# Hemel Garden Communities (HGC) 2050 Transport Vision & Strategy

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# The Hemel Garden Communities (HGC) 2050 Transport Vision & Strategy is a document to the St Albans City and District and the Dacorum Borough Council Local Plans and the Hemel Garden Communities programme.

The HGC TV&S has been prepared by the HGC Partners: St Albans City & District Council, Dacorum Borough Council and Hertfordshire County Council with the Hertfordshire Local Enterprise Partnership (Herts LEP) and Hertfordshire Innovation Quarter (Herts IQ).

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# HEMEL GARDEN COMMUNITIES 2050 TRANSPORT VISION & STRATEGY

IN BRIEF

### **MODE SHARE OBJECTIVE**

40%

of all person trips from/to/within Hemel Hempstead should be by active and sustainable travel modes

60%

of all person trips from/to/within the new Hemel Garden Communities neighbourhoods should be by active and sustainable travel modes

# **User Hierarchy**



# **HGC 2050 Transport Vision**

"By 2050, Hemel Hempstead will be a place where walking, cycling and public transport are the natural choice for local journeys, for residents and visitors alike. A place where at least 40% of all person trips from/to/within Hemel Hempstead, and 60% of all person trips from/to/within new Hemel Garden Communities neighbourhoods, will be undertaken by sustainable modes of travel.

An innovative place, fit for the future, where high-quality transport networks prioritise local journeys and support decarbonisation. Well-connected neighbourhoods and employment areas will strengthen the local economy and promote sustainable growth and investment."

# **HGC 2050 Transport Strategy**



#### Theme 1: A well connected place that puts people first

#### This means:

- A Key Network to connect key origins and destinations in the town
- Local Networks to provide connections between local destinations
- More people regularly walking and cycling when making everyday journeys
- Improved transport networks that put people first and improve safety, air quality and health
- People focussed streets and travel links designed to cater for different users' needs



#### Theme 2: A place that encourages sustainable travel

#### This means:

- Making it easier for people to walk, wheel and take public transport as the first choice for many journeys
- Greater awareness amongst residents and visitors to Hemel Hempstead of their travel choices, to help reduce car dependence and form healthier and sustainable travel habits
- Reliable, regular and easy to use public transport services to a broad range of destinations



#### Theme 3: A network fit for the future

#### This means:

- Being ready to embrace emerging technologies and have the capability to meet future transport needs
- A future ready transport network that facilitates the decarbonisation of all vehicles
- Deliver appropriate infrastructure such as public hire services, e-Cargo bikes, electric vehicle charging points, where appropriate to help meet Hemel Hempstead's Climate Emergency obligations





# What is Hemel Garden Communities?

The Hemel Garden Communities (HGC) Programme is an ambitious proposal which will transform and grow Hemel Hempstead and create attractive, sustainable new neighbourhoods to its north and east by 2050.

The HGC 2050 Transport Vision and Strategy (referred to as 'TV&S') has been prepared on behalf of a partnership that comprises Dacorum Borough Council (DBC), St Albans City and District Council (SADC) and Hertfordshire County Council (HCC), Hertfordshire Local Enterprise Partnership (Herts LEP), and the Hertfordshire Innovation Quarter (Herts IQ) as part of the HGC Programme (referred as 'the Partners') and wider stakeholders.

This TV&S covers the whole HGC programme area (brown dotted line in Figure 1); the town of Hemel Hempstead, within the borough of Dacorum, as well as proposed growth areas straddling both Dacorum and St Albans District to the north and east of the town. The Transport Vision & Strategy considers key transport links within the wider area (shown by the grey dotted line in Figure 1).

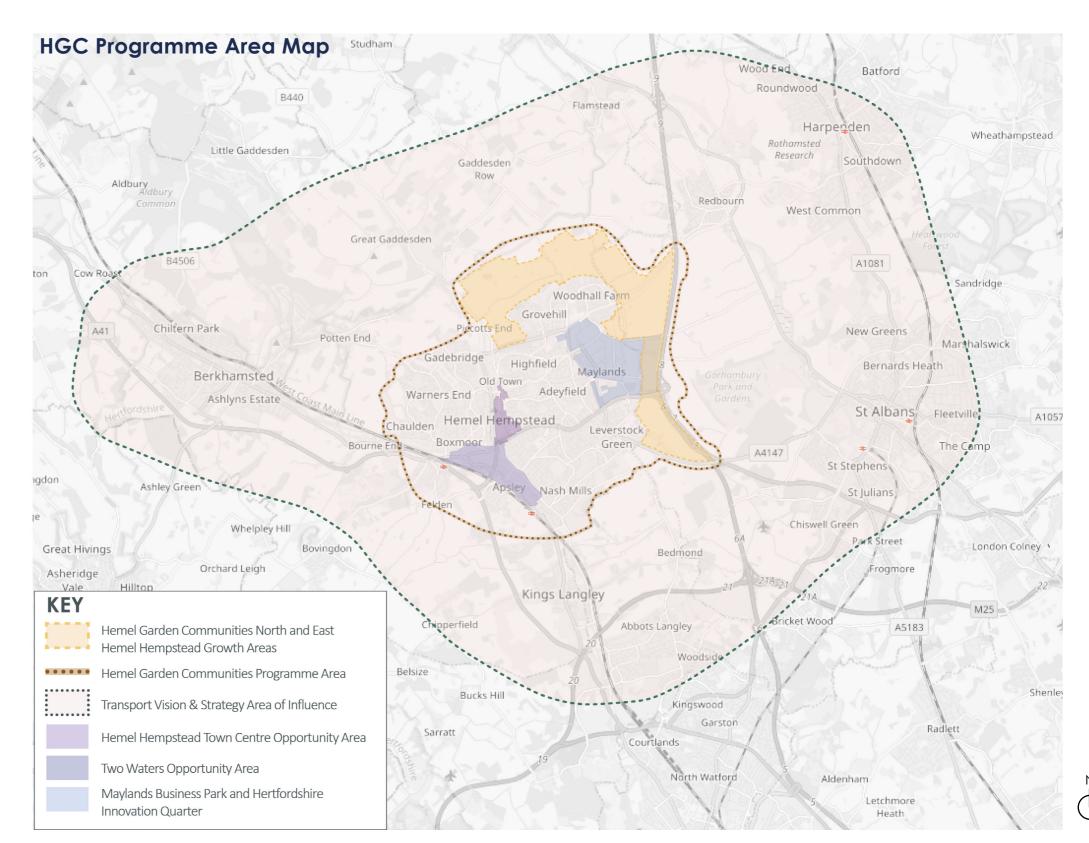


Figure 1 Hemel Garden Communities Programme Area and TV&S Wider Influence Area



### What is this Transport Vision and Strategy for?

Hemel Hempstead is a focus for significant residential and employment growth up to 2050, with the likely population predicted to increase by around 50%.

The increased demands for movement of people and goods generated by this growth cannot be accommodated if existing movement patterns are projected forward, because:

- The capacity of existing and likely future networks will be insufficient
- The negative effects in terms of greenhouse gas emissions, air and noise pollution, road danger, congestion and inactive lifestyles will be unacceptable.
- Future demands for movement can therefore only be met if there is a substantial shift to more space-efficient, lower emission and healthier forms of transport (such as walking, cycling and using the bus, as well as new and innovative forms of transport).

The Transport Vision & Strategy (TV&S) captures the need and scale of change needed and how this can be achieved.

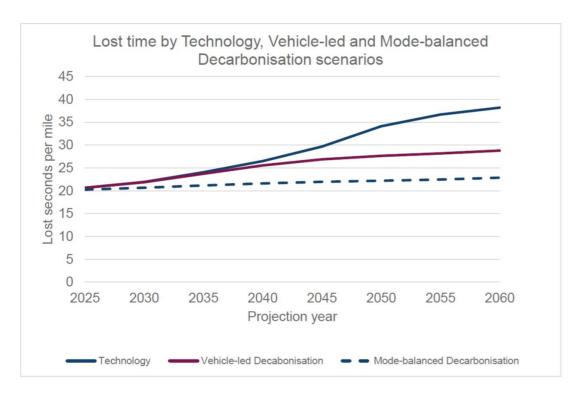


Figure 2 The graph shows that if the model of predict and provide is taken, that even with technology, the number of journeys and time lost in congestion will continue to rise. Source: National Road Traffic Projections, 2022

## What is the overall approach?

Since 2021<sup>1</sup>, nationally there has been a noticeable move away from the traditional 'Predict and Provide' approach to transport planning, towards what is known as a 'Decide and Provide' or 'Vision and Validate' approach.

The overall approach for Hemel Garden Communities is:

- Set an overarching vision for the area: The HGC Spatial Vision
- Identify the role transport needs to play in achieving that wider vision: The Transport Vision
- Stress-test the Transport Vision to check it is plausible and likely achievable: Modelling work
- Establish and prioritise transport options for helping move towards the preferred future: The Transport Strategy
- Ensure the Strategy is suitably robust and flexible to account for uncertainty

<sup>1</sup> In 2021, the local authority consortium that owns and runs TRICS, the industry standard database for assessing trip generation, produced a 'Guidance Note on the practical implementation of the Decide & Provide approach' that placed D&P firmly at the forefront of contemporary practice.



### What is the overall approach?

The TV&S sets out an approach to grow the town 'in a highly sustainable way' that supports the emerging Local Plans for both Dacorum Borough Council and St Albans City and District Council.

Encouraging people to travel less and use modes other than the private car is central to Hertfordshire County Council's Local Transport Plan 4 (LTP4), where Policy 1 establishes the Transport User Hierarchy, shown in Figure 2 below, that should apply both to the scheme design process and the formulation of transport strategy.

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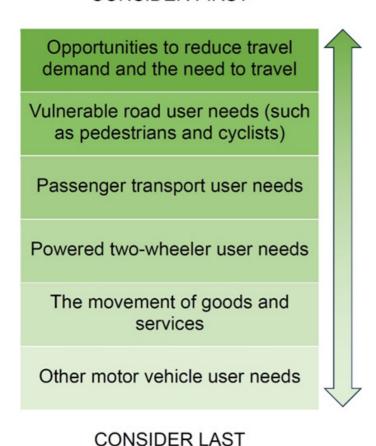


Figure 3 The Transport User Hierarchy based on Hertfordshire County Council's Local Transport Plan 4

### The importance of mode shift

Government statistics (2021)<sup>1</sup> show that the transport sector produces around 26% of Greenhouse Gases and that road transport (passenger cars in particular) are the most significant source of emissions in this sector. Putting carbon emissions to one side, the Government's 2022 National Road Traffic Projections show that mode shift is also vital to ensure that congestion can be kept within manageable levels.

The 2022 Hertfordshire County Travel Survey (HCTS) showed that over 35% of all trips by car across Hertfordshire are under 3 miles long, and over 50% are under 5 miles long. The 2021 Census also revealed that around 60% of Hemel Hempstead residents work in the town<sup>2</sup> <sup>3</sup>, showing there are a large number of local work journeys due to the close proximity of the Maylands Business Park.

Therefore, there is clear potential for the transfer of many of these short car trips to more sustainable modes. This is known as mode shift.

Despite Hemel Hempstead's hilly terrain, the shortness of so many car trips, combined with the potential for existing and emerging forms of transport such as e-bikes, means that achieving substantial mode shift from cars is realistic, as long as attractive alternatives are provided.

While mode shift on the scale needed will be no easy task, the data collected demonstrates it should be achievable in Hemel Hempstead and there is a clear need to do this to improve public health, air quality and avoid a worsening of congestion.

<sup>1 2021</sup> UK Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Final Figures. Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\_data/file/1134664/greenhouse-gas-emissions-statistical-release-2021.pdf

<sup>2</sup> Travel to work data, ONS, Census 2021

https://www.ons.gov.uk/employmentandlabourmarket/peopleinwork/ employmentandemployeetypes/bulletins/traveltoworkenglandandwales/census2021

<sup>3</sup> Calculated by combining the number of residents that stated they travel <10km to their workplace and/or work mainly from home, Census 2021.



## How does this relate to other plans and guidance documents?

The Transport Vision & Strategy is informed and sits within a wider framework of documents at national, regional and local scale.

The Transport Vision & Strategy is part of the evidence base supporting the Dacorum Borough Council and St Albans City and District Local Plans and the HGC Programme.

Strategic priorities are set out in documents, including the Hertfordshire Growth and Transport Plans, Hertfordshire County Council's Local Transport Plan 4 (2018-2031) and the emerging Local Plans. This TV&S addresses local journey priorities, and is informed by the strategic documents that sit above it.

A future implementation plan will be developed as part of the Local Plans Evidence, and will feed into the Local Authorities Infrastructure Delivery Plans.

As part of the HGC Programme, in 2021, HGC published the Spatial Vision<sup>1</sup>, an overarching spatial approach for the HGC Programme Area. The Spatial Vision promotes healthy lifestyles and respond to the climate crisis – and sets out the ambition that the Programme Area will be home to inclusive, integrated neighbourhoods connected by a green movement network.

The Hemel Garden Communities' Framework Plan is a spatial framework for the HGC Programme Area, with a detailed focus on North and East of Hemel Hempstead Growth Areas. The TV&S and future Implementation Plan will be integrated with the Framework Plan, alongside wider town focussed workstreams, to develop a single holistic framework for transformation.

Hertfordshire County Council's Local Transport Plan 4 (2018-2031), HGC Spatial Vision, and the HGC Framework Plan are supported by the Town and Country Planning Association (TCPA) transport guidance and help set the vision for the TV&S.

Figure 4 The interrelationship of the Transport Vision & Strategy with other plans and guidance documents

https://www.hemelgardencommunities.co.uk/media/3hknvayj/hemel-garden-communities-spatial-vision.pdf

**SW Herts** DBC Hertfordshire **Hertfordshire Emerging Local Plan** Emerging Local Plan **Growth and Local Transport** Strategic Plan LTP4 lemel Garden **Transport Plans** lemel Garde Supporting plans and evidence for **Growth & Infrastructure (---)** including HGC workstreams such as **HGC Transport Vision and Strategy** The Garden Communities programme led by Department for Key Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DHLUC) supports house building in 43 towns and villages from Cornwall to Carlisle and will National deliver over 300,000 homes, up to 90,000 of which will be Regional / Hertfordshire CC affordable. Local Plans Infrastructure Delivey Plan HGC Programme work

<sup>1</sup> HGC Spatial Vision (2021)

#### THE TRANSPORT VISION



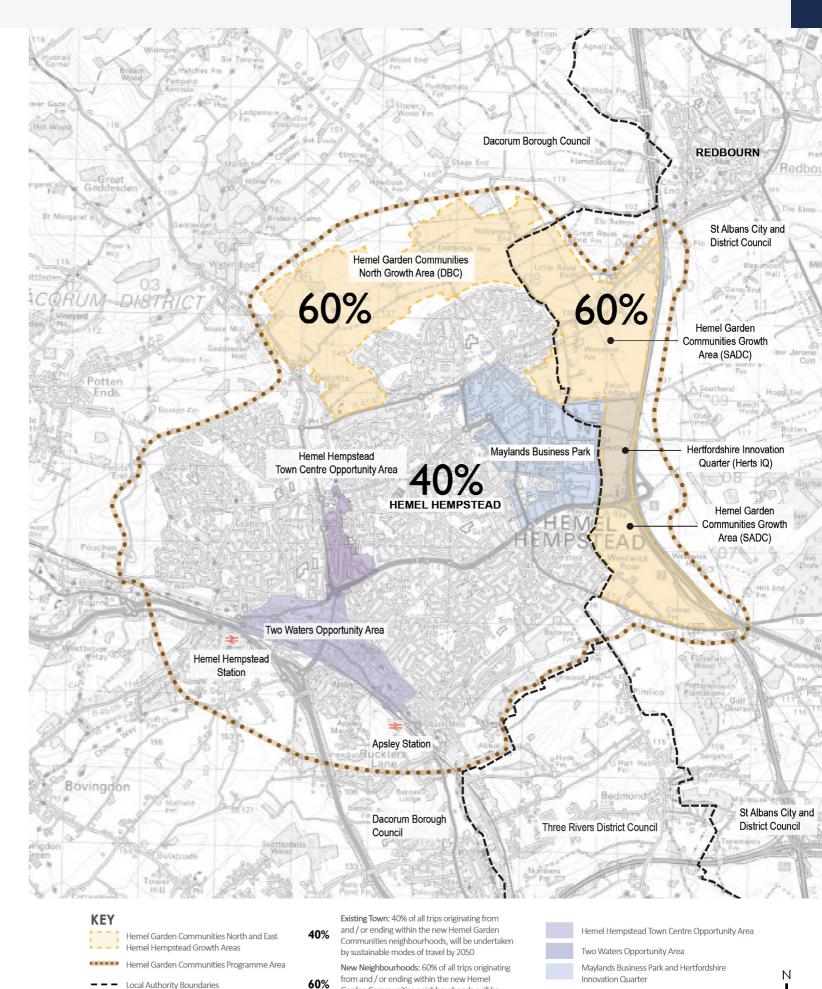
#### What is the vision?

The Transport Vision is intentionally aspirational and will be subject to initial testing to give confidence that it is achievable. The process used in this report involves reviewing existing transport patterns in the light of anticipated growth, to develop an understanding of what it will take to bridge the gap between present existing transport patterns and those the Vision seeks.

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Garden Communities neighbourhoods, will be undertaken by sustainable modes of travel by



# What is the strategy?

To achieve the aspirational mode shift goals for 2050 and the wider Transport Vision, the Transport Strategy is made up of three Strategic Themes. The themes are:

Theme 1: A well connected place that puts people first

Theme 2: A place that encourages sustainable travel

Theme 3: A network fit for the future

Each theme has a number of desired outcomes to help steer decision-making. To achieve these outcomes a number of transport infrastructure measures will need to be implemented, as well as supporting programmes to encourage local residents and businesses to change their travel behaviour.



Hemel Garden Communities: A vision for 2050

#### THEME 1: A WELL CONNECTED PLACE THAT PUTS PEOPLE FIRST

Both existing and new neighbourhoods will prioritise local journeys, facilitated by people-focused streets and traffic-free routes. This will ensure it is quicker and more convenient to walk, cycle and use public transport than use the car for the vast majority of local journeys. While access will be possible to every house by car, the design of the streets will be people-focussed and consider other users.

This first theme mainly sets out the strategic infrastructure needs of Hemel Hempstead and defines Key and Local transport networks along with the appropriate types of infrastructure on each.

#### The Key Network

The Key Network will mainly have a movement function connecting key origins and destinations in the town. 7 key routes have been identified:

- 1. A414 / Station Road (Hemel Hempstead Rail Station Herts IQ);
- 2. Adeyfield (Leighton Buzzard Road Heart of Maylands);
- 3. Queensway (Leighton Buzzard Road Maylands Ave);
- 4. Link Road / Redbourn Road (Leighton Buzzard Road Redbourn Road);
- 5. New North and East Hemel Sustainable Transport Corridor (Leighton Buzzard Road A4147);
- Leighton Buzzard Road / Two Waters Road / A4251 (Link Road Apsley); and
- 7. Redbourn Road / Maylands Avenue (Link Road A414).

#### The Local Network

The Local Network supplements the Key Network and consists of three parts to provide connections between local destinations:

- Local Active Travel Network (Cycling, Wheeling, Walking and micro-mobility);
- Local Passenger Transport Network (Public Transport including bus and HERT routes); and
- The Green Network (Continuous, traffic-free, or low-traffic routes designed to support active travel such as the Nickey Line and Grand Union Canal).



Creating more active, social, and greener streets



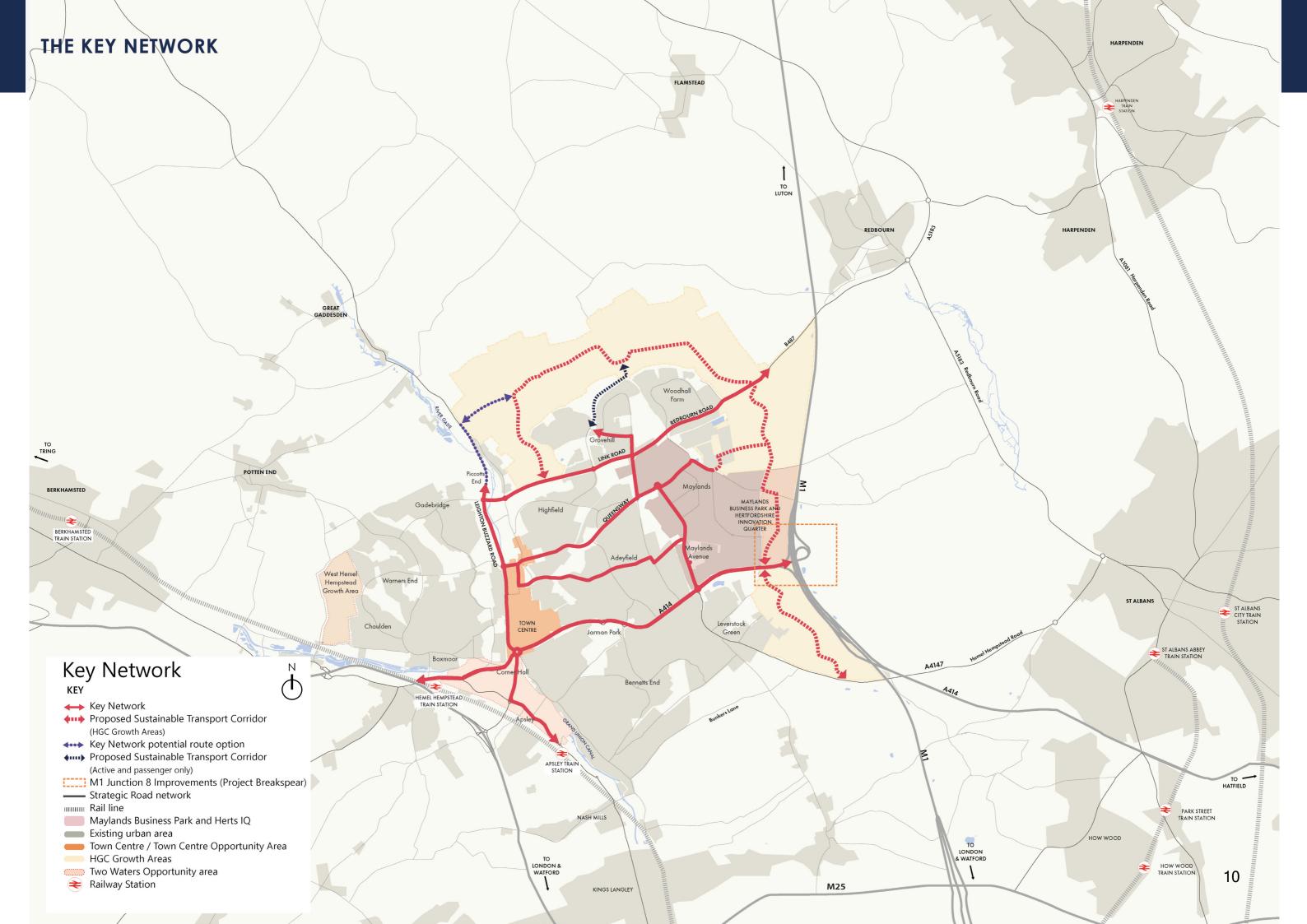
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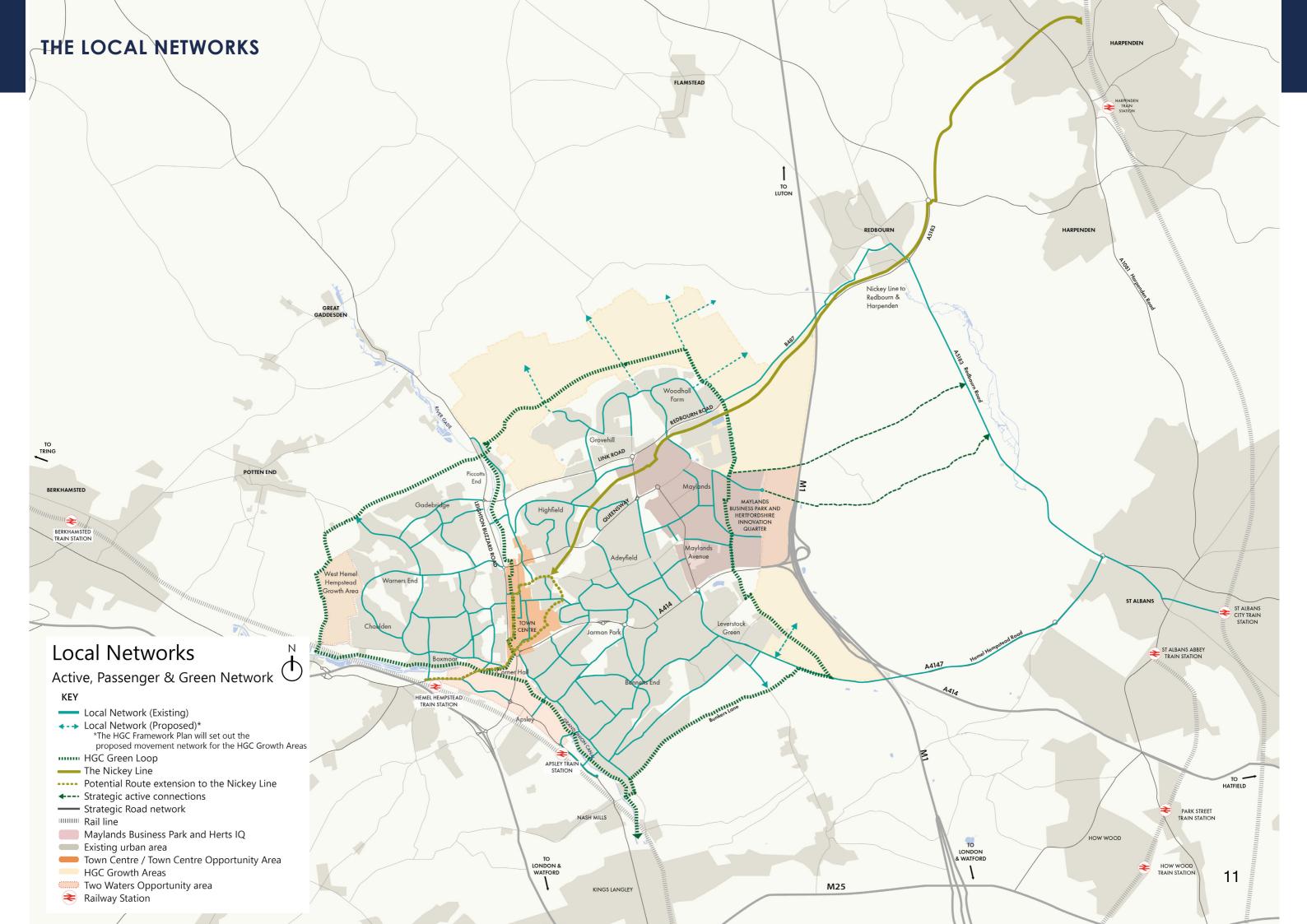


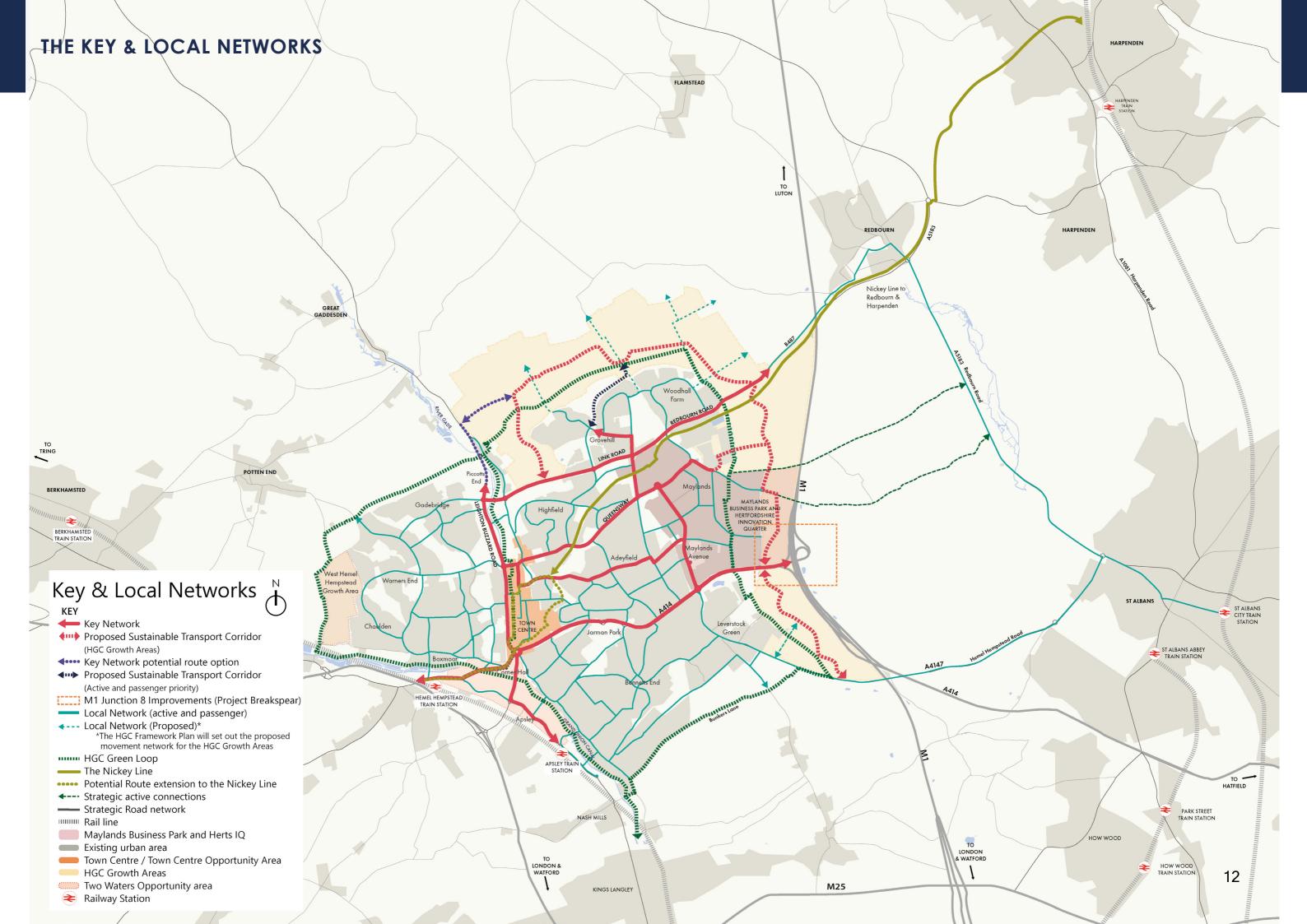
The Nickey Line, part of the Local Network

#### **Theme 1 Desired Outcomes**

- New neighbourhoods made up of colocated land use types, delivered at a scale of density that reduces the need to travel, whilst prioritising movements made by active and sustainable transport modes;
- More people walking, cycling, and using emerging micro-mobility (such as e-bikes and e-scooters) options more regularly, and for greater total distances, when making every day journeys minimising the need for motorised travel;
- Improved transport networks that put people first to improve safety, air quality and health of people who live, work and visit Hemel Hempstead through providing more sustainable travel choices and reducing transport related air pollution;
- Making better places by reducing car dominance and creating more active, social, and greener streets that encourage more social interaction and localised commercial and economic activity; and
- People focussed streets and travel links designed to cater for different users' needs, including people with mobility impairments, to maximise inclusivity.







#### THEME 2: A PLACE THAT ENCOURAGES SUSTAINABLE TRAVEL

Where new residents and businesses are coming to Hemel Hempstead it will be vital that they find walking, cycling and public transport attractive to use from Day One. This requires early investment in the high-quality services and supporting infrastructure needed to make sustainable mode choice inviting. Residents will need to be engaged and informed of their travel choices to help them reduce car dependence and form healthier and sustainable travel habits.

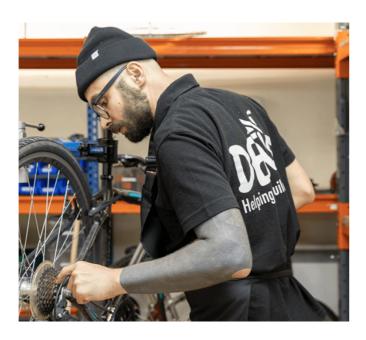
Theme 2 sets out ways to promote behaviour change which includes:

- Promotion of Active travel
- Bikeability training
- Maintenance for Active Travel
- Promotion of Public Transport



Bikeability is cycle training for everyone including school children, adults and families.

By 2025, the Bikeability Trust will have helped 5 million children take up Bikeability cycle training and cycle more confidently, more often.



Dacorum based charity DENS, runs the Bike Project which provides opportunities for people to learn bike maintenance skills and build their confidence



Making walking, wheeling and public transport the first choice for many journeys



Herts Lynx - Demand Responsive Transport



The Grand Union Canal

#### **Theme 2 Desired Outcomes**

- Identifying and seeking to remove barriers for people making journeys by sustainable modes;
- Getting people to think about travel options other than using their cars;
- Greater awareness amongst residents and visitors of Hemel Hempstead of their travel choices to help them reduce car dependence and form healthier and sustainable travel habits;
- The adoption of new and / or increasing existing 'wanted' behaviours amongst residents and visitors resulting in people walking and / or cycling more regularly for greater distances;
- Developments which are designed to make walking, cycling and public transport the first choice for many journeys;
- Developments that have reliable, regular and easy to use bus services that connect with key destinations people want to go to; and
- Provide public transport services for a broader range of destinations. This could include the delivery of Demand Responsive Transport (DRT).

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#### THEME 3: A NETWORK FIT FOR THE FUTURE

For Hemel Hempstead to meet its growth aspirations, there is a clear need to embrace change and maximise new forms of transport, technologies, and systems. Hemel Hempstead needs to ensure its transport networks are integrated, resilient, and adaptable so that it can make the most of new opportunities.

Theme 3 sets out the opportunities and an overview of the likely ever changing landscape facing Hemel Hempstead in the run up to 2050, which includes innovation related to:

- Future Mobility Trends Including emerging micro-mobility options such as e-bikes and e-scooters
- Mobility Hubs Places which allow for interchange between different forms of transport
- Parking Innovative ways to provide parking provision such as parking barns and centralised locations
- Freight and last mile deliveries including the use of e-cargo bikes, parcel storage and consolidation of facilities
- Emerging Technologies including Mobility as a Service (MaaS) Mobility as a Service (MaaS) brings together various forms of transport and transport-related services into a single, comprehensive digital platform, such as an app.
- Hertfordshire Essex Rapid Transit A new east west passenger transport system connecting Hemel Hempstead with St Albans and beyond to Harlow, along the A414 corridor



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Features and opportunities for Mobility Hubs. Source: COMOUK

Zedify providing last mile deliveries



Belfast Glider - an example of Rapid Transit



Car and van sharing



Beryl e-bike and e-scooter scheme

#### **Theme 3 Desired Outcomes**

- Attractive well-connected new places that encourage growth and investment, including revitalising the town centre, local centres and expanded business park;
- Being ready to embrace emerging technologies and have the capability to meet future transport needs;
- Enhanced interchange facilities (mobility hubs) that enable more convenient changing between different modes of transport when making local journeys by improving the quality of facilities and colocation of services:
- Improved passenger transport networks including through an accessible, reliable and affordable east-west transit system (HERT) which connects people easily to where they live, work and visit
- Establish high-quality shared mobility services (such as bike and car share schemes) and well-planned developments that maximise the scope and attractiveness of such travel options;
- Hemel Hempstead's business parks and industrial estates will be well-connected to the transport network via a variety of different travel modes;
- A future ready transport network that facilitates the decarbonisation of all vehicles by delivering appropriate infrastructure (e.g., EV charging points, public hire services, e-Cargo bikes where appropriate) helping Hemel Hempstead meet its climate emergency obligations;
- On- and off-street car parking designed flexibly with future non-car uses in mind; and
- A co-ordinated approach to rationalising and consolidating freight movements and deliveries to homes, communities and businesses using the most appropriate routes and modes, maximising opportunities to promote greener, more sustainable options where possible

#### **DELIVERING THE VISION AND STRATEGY**



In order to progress the Transport Vision and Strategy, collaboration across the HGC Partners and wider stakeholders will be key, with a particular focus on the following three areas of work:

#### 1) Planning Support

To steer and shape key areas of work related to the delivery of Local Plans:

- A Phasing and Implementation Plan
- Infrastructure Delivery Plans for the Authorities and longer-term aspects for Hemel Garden Communities, and a
- Funding Strategy

#### 2) Wider Workstreams and Projects

Partnership and collaborative working will also be key to taking forward the wider workstreams and projects under immediate, short-term, medium-term and long-term timescales to help prioritise their delivery. Some examples of the wider workstreams and projects are set out on this page.

#### 3) Delivery, Monitoring & Evaluation Strategy

To monitor and identify the best approach for achieving the delivery of infrastructure and supporting workstreams and identify how this will be appropriately monitored and evaluated towards meeting the sustainable mode targets.

# Immediate (over the next 1 year) e.g.

- WSP Modal Share Study
- Local Cycling Walking Infrastructure Plans
- HGC Framework Plan & Strategic Design Code
- Health and Wellbeing Strategy



# Short-Term (1-2 years) e.g.

- Nickey Line Strategy and Feasibility Study
- Hemel Hempstead Bike Hire Scheme
- Maylands Business Park Plus Masterplan
- HGC Framework and Transformation Plan SPD



# Medium-Term (2-5 years) e.g.

- Schemes emerging via the Local Cycling Walking Infrastructure Plans (LCWIPs)
- Herts Essex Rapid Transit (HERT)
- A414 Corridor improvements



# Long-Term (5+ years) e.g.

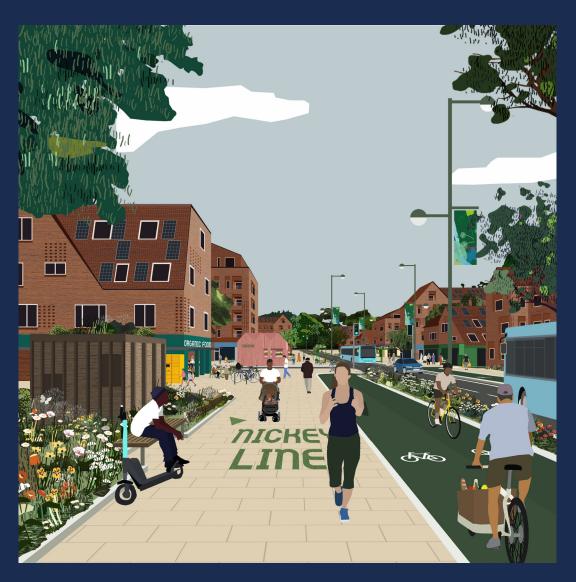
- Plough Roundabout
- Herts Essex Rapid Transit (HERT)
- M1 Junction 8 improvements (Project Breakspear)



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'Active travel' (or active transportation or mobility) means walking or cycling	Local Transport	A transport strategy prepared by the local highways authority
as an alternative to motorised transport (notably cars, motorbikes/mopeds	Plan (LTP)	(Hertfordshire County Council)
etc.) for the purpose of making everyday journeys		
A walking and/or cycling route that enables journeys by connecting trip origins	LOW ITATTIC	There is no firm definition of low traffic volumes, but up to 2500 vehicles
with destinations		journeys per day is a typical cut off in an urban setting
A systematic assessment of a walking or cycle route, taking into account	Micro-mobility	Micro-mobility is a term used to refer to transportation of people and/or
factors such as the infrastructure type, dimensions, condition, as well as		goods using small, lightweight vehicles that run at comparatively slower
contextual factors		speeds, powered by an electric motor or the efforts of the riders/drivers –
Small changes in transport choices (for example, catching a bus once a week		including scooters, bikes, skateboards, hoverboards, and Segways
into work) can make a big difference because they break unsustainable		(TCPA, Practical Guides for Creating Successful New Communities, Guide
habits and can create improved long-term transport outcomes (for example,		13: Sustainable Transport, 2020).
catching the bus everyday instead of driving into work)	Mobility as a	The integration of various modes of transport along with information and
The term cycle includes all forms of bicycle, tricycle, or a cycle having four or	Service (MaaS)	payment functions into a single mobility service. Recent services that
more wheels, adapted cycles, including cargo and electric cycles, but not		allow customers to purchase monthly subscription packages giving them
motorised vehicles		access to public transport and private taxi and bike hire schemes are an
Green Infrastructure includes sites protected for their importance to wildlife		example.
or the environment, nature reserves, greenspaces and greenway linkages.	AA - L-1124 - 11L-	
Together they provide a network of green space both urban and rural,	MODILITY HUD	A facility that provides a convenient interchange between a range of
providing a wide range of environmental and quality of life benefits		mobility types (public transport, bikes, scooters etc) for all users and
Greenway(s) which refer to fully (or almost fully) off-road and traffic free routes		which is co-located with other community facilities such as cafes, shops,
	Mada	parcel drops etc For further advice, see CoMoUK Guidance.  A transport mode refers to the way in which passengers and/or goods
	Mode	can be transported. For example, train, bus or walking. A multi-modal
highway for which they are an authority.		route refers to where multiple types of transport are used e.g. bus, car and
Transport infrastructure includes all the things that enable transport services		walking.
to operate – streets and roads, railway lines and active travel networks such	Mode Share	Mode share (also called mode split) is the percentage of travellers using a
as cycle-paths and footpaths. It also includes associated structures such as	Mode Share	particular mode of transportation or number of trips using said type.
stations, bridges, embankments, car parks, signage, signalling, bus stops and		particular mode of transportation of floriber of trips using said type.
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The IDP's role is to identify all items of infrastructure needed to ensure	Model Shiii	undertaken by another mode of transport (e.g. private car) is replaced
		with another mode such as walking or cycling
	Rapid Transit	Rapid Transit (BRT) is a high-quality transit system that delivers fast, direct,
		and cost effective services at a large scale. This could be provided by bus
		or autonomous vehicle.
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Sustainable	Any efficient, safe and accessible means of transport with overall
development framework for the District and strategic policies and proposals to	transport	low impact on the environment, including walking and cycling, ultro
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