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Agenda

What we'll cover today

Welcome, introductions and objective for the day – Department for Transport

TfN's role and progress – Transport for the North

Overview RIS2 - Highways England

Panel Forum

Coffee/tea break

Northern Strategic Study Updates

Wider Transport Connectivity Assessment Study

Panel Forum

Lunch

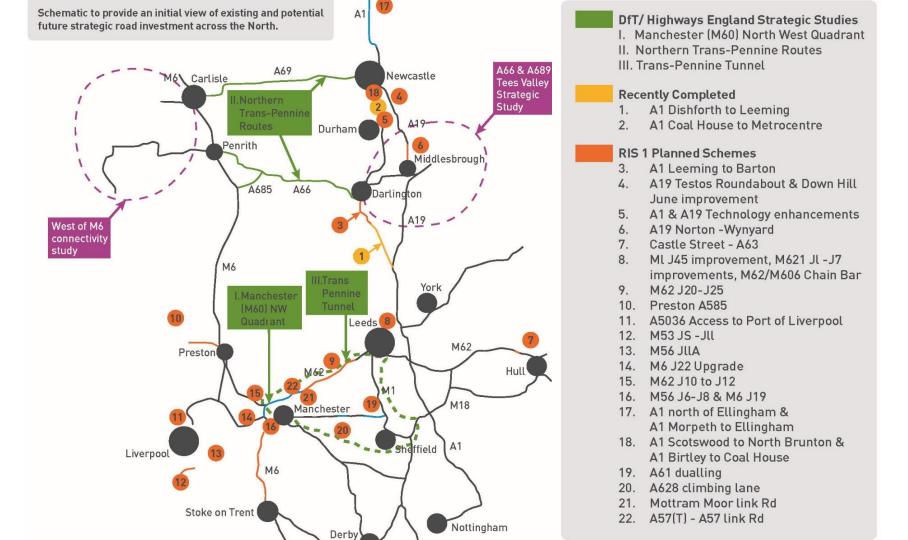
Wider Transport Connectivity Assessment Study Workshop



Northern Strategic Studies: Philip Andrews: Deputy Director, Future Roads



Moving Britain Ahead March 17





Autumn Statement 2016

- ▶ We have published **stage 3 reports** for the strategic studies (with the exception of the M25 study, which started later)
- We are progressing the Manchester M60 NWQ study to the next phase, Options Development
- ▶ We have committed to **dualling the A66** from the A1 to the M6, creating the first new dual carriageway across the Pennines since 1971
- ▶ We are bringing forward **junction improvements on the A69**, which should be complete by 2020. This will mean that every roundabout on the A69 between Hexham and the A1 at Newcastle will be grade separated, allowing motorists a free-flowing journey
- ▶ The Trans-Pennine Tunnel study requires **further analysis of user benefits** in order to make a case for change



Current Focus

- ▶ Further analysis will be undertaken on each Strategic Study to produce robust SOBC's
- We are working with Highways England to design and procure the next packages of work
- ▶ TfN has commissioned a study, the Wider Transport Connectivity Assessment (WTCA), to investigate improvement options between Manchester, Sheffield and other key economic centres



The RIS 2 Investment Plan



RIS 1 Schemes

Projects started in RIS1 will need to be completed. Schemes identified for development for RIS2 will also be brought forward so they can start work soon after 2020.

Strategic Studies

Six studies looking in detail at large scale and transformational projects.

- Northern Trans-Pennine Routes
- Manchester NW Quadrant
- Trans-Pennine Tunnel

- · A1 East of England
- · Oxford to Cambridge Expressway
- M25 SW Quadrant



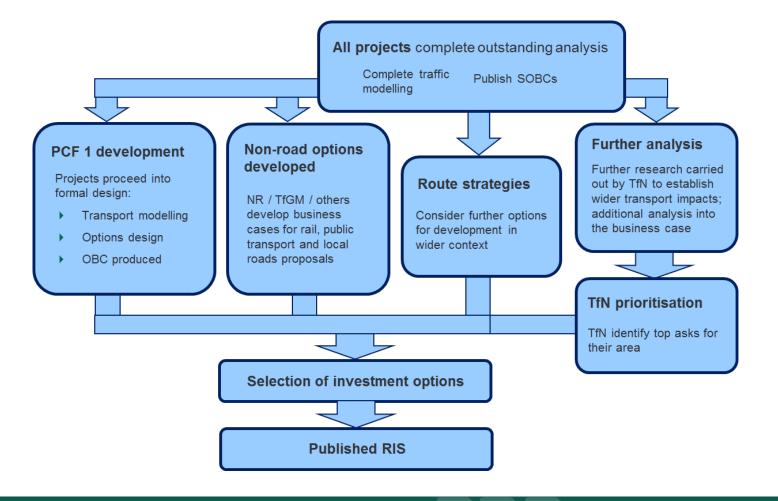


Route Strategies

These carry out an audit of pressures, needs and opportunities across the whole of the network, and identify the places where action is most urgently needed.



Next Steps





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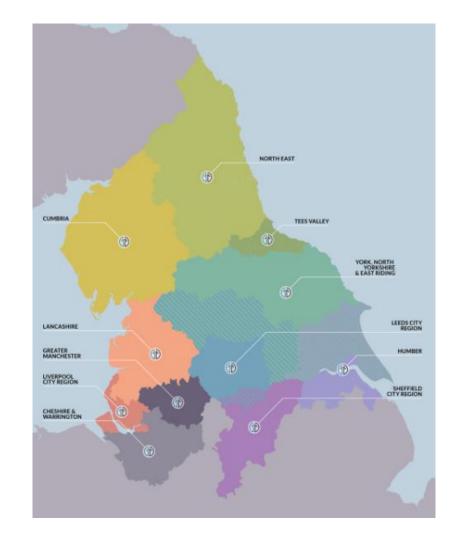
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Local
Enterprise
Partners

Development partners

19 Local Government partners

Cross boundary work with Scotland, Wales and the Midlands



NORTHERN POWERHOUSE

INDEPENDENT ECONOMIC REVIEW

A 'transformational' growth scenario by 2050 could generate:

£97 billion GVA

increase to the Northern economy 850,000 more jobs

than 'business as usual'

NORTHERN POWERHOUSE



INDEPENDENT ECONOMIC REVIEW

Four prime capabilities:



Advanced manufacturing



Digital



Energy



Health innovation

Three enabling capabilities:



Financial & Professional Services



Education (particularly Higher Education)



Logistics

Underpinned by excellent quality of life

Sub-National Transport Body status

- Develop a **Strategy Transport Plan (STP)**, co-ordinating investment and work across the region to drive economic growth.
- Co-ordinate and deliver one smart, integrating ticketing system across the North.
- Set objectives in the region for Network Rail and Highways England to ensure that their priorities are driven by the needs of the North.
- Share responsibilities for running the Trans-Pennine Express and Northern rail franchises with DfT, with an emphasis on investment and long term planning.

TfN Strategic Transport Plan (STP)

Sequenced Long term, investment and multi-modal Adding value delivery plan programme Pursuit of Public facing, transformational A living, evolving publicly document economic supported plan growth

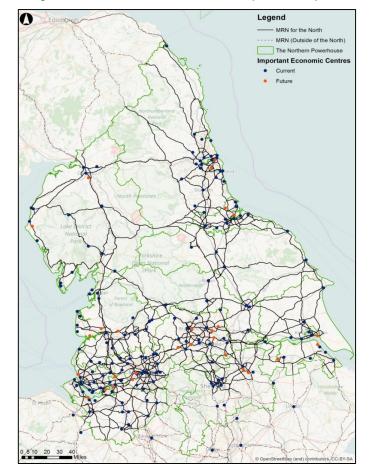
Major Roads Network for the North

Identifying and implementing the improvements needed to the Northern road network to keep people and goods moving



Strategic Road Network (SRN) v Major Road Network (MRN)

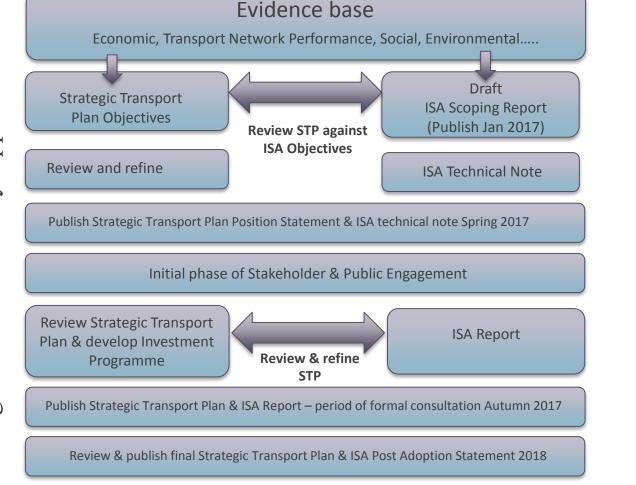




The benefits of investment in the Major Road Network for the North

- Support agglomeration
- Reduce the North's economic productivity gap
- Better Connect Current and future Important Economic Centres to road and rail networks
- Reduce the costs of exporting goods to national and international markets
- Increased resilience, reliability and efficiency for all users' journeys





Strategic Transport Plan Development Timescales

Spring 2017

Engagement on Evidence Base

Publication of a Position Statement on the Strategic Transport Plan
Publication of Initial Integrated Rail and Initial Major Roads Reports, and Integrated
Sustainability Statement

Autumn 2017

Formal Public Consultation

Publication of Draft Strategic Transport Plan, Updated Integrated Rail and Major Roads Reports, and Integrated Sustainability Appraisal

Winter 2017

Public Consultation on the Draft Strategic Transport Plan

Summer 2018

Publication of the Final Strategic Transport Plan and Integrated Sustainability Appraisal



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- in Transport for the North (TfN)



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RIS2 Update

Elise Lewis - Highways England



Road Investment Strategy: for the 2015/16 – 2019/20 Road Period



Regional Investment Strategy



What is in RIS?

Strategic Vision

What government wants to achieve with the network

Performance Specification

What performance is expected across the network

Statement of Funds Available

What money is available to fund activities and improvements

Investment Plan

Where improvements will be made to the network

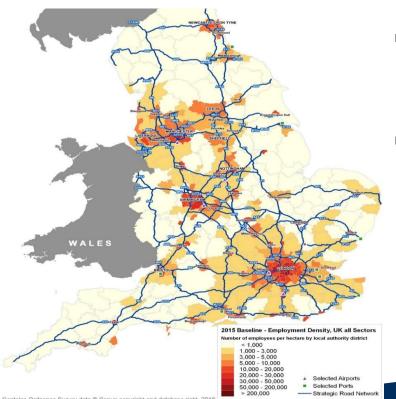


RIS 2 Development





The Road to Growth (Strategic Economic Growth Plan)



- Sectors dependent on the SRN contribute £314bn to England's economy
- 91% businesses in England are located within 15km of SRN



Route Strategies

- 18 route strategies describing condition of the road and issues affecting them
- Comprehensive assessment link by link and junction by junction



Strategic Studies



Northern Trans-Pennine route



Manchester NW quadrant



Trans-Pennine Tunnel



Oxford to Cambridge Expressway



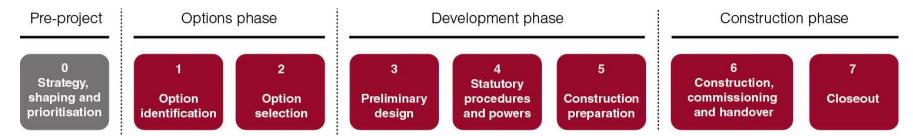
M25 SW Quadrant



A1 East of England



Highways England – Project Control Framework



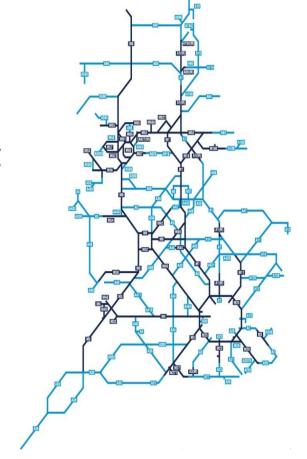
Core principles

- Entry into each phase is subject to the approval of DfT and ministers
- Funding for the project will be provided by DfT and ministers on a phase by phase basis
- Projects may drop out of the lifecycle at any point up to the commitment to invest if they fail value for money, affordability or other criteria



SRN Initial Report

- An assessment of the current state of the network and user needs
- Potential maintenance and enhancement priorities
- Future developmental needs and prospects
- Submitted to DfT at the end of 2017, and will be the subject of public consultation





Prioritising investment

Gather evidence, including:

Route Strategies

mental context

Demand Forecasting

Road to Growth

Business Performance Environ-

Strategic **Studies**

Stakeholder

views

Consider impacts of proposals against factors including stakeholder views, safety, environment, economic growth, supply chain capability, and connectivity



Secretary of State decides strategic vision, funds available, performance specification and investment plan

Delivery Plan



Outcomes

Safe and serviceable network

Supporting economic growth

More free-flowing network

Improved environment

Accessible and integrated













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Study Updates
Tim Lund – Northern Trans-Pennine

Northern Trans-Pennine Routes Study





Strategic Context

- The strategic objective is to improve Trans-Pennine connectivity in Northern England
- Between Leeds and Manchester in the south, Edinburgh and Glasgow in the north, currently there is no complete dual carriageway link between the east and west of the country
- Objective aligns with TfN's aspirations for improved connectivity and findings of the Northern Powerhouse Independent Economic Review (IER)
- Fits with other connectivity improvements eg A1 Leeming to Barton and A66 studies

Key Findings – A66/A685

- The A66 is a key national and regional strategic link for a range of south north and east west movements, particularly for freight
- It is a more direct route than the M62 between many regions eg West Yorkshire and Glasgow
- It is underutilised due to the mix of road standards which affect the reliability, resilience, safety and attractiveness of the route

A1/A66 or M62/M6?



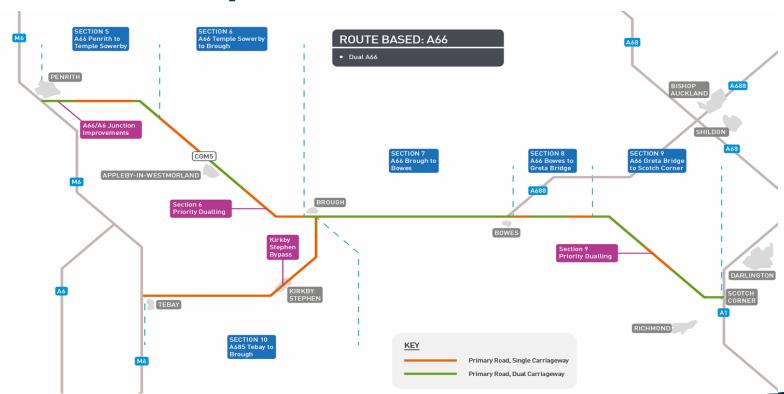


Key Findings – A69

- A69 is a key regional link for east west traffic; links between Tyne Valley communities and Tyne and Wear/north Cumbria and access to key tourist attractions eg Hadrians Wall
- On the long single carriageway section between Hexham and Carlisle there are variable journey times, delays and a high incident rate
- Journey times are increased at grade junctions on the dualled section between Hexham & Newcastle

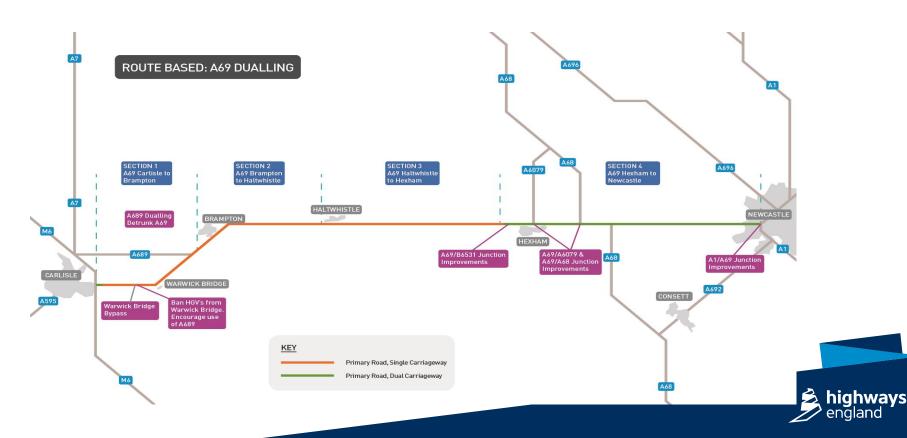


Potential Options – A66/A685





Potential Options – A69



Next Steps

- Study has identified options which could feasibly be constructed and have positive economic and operational impacts but.....
- Further detailed appraisal work needed on:
 - Interaction with other routes (traffic model)
 - Wider economic benefits (land use model)
 - Environmental impacts





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Study Updates

Darren Oldham/Stuart Robinson – Manchester North West Quadrant

Strategic Context

- M60 no further than 6 miles from city centre
- Network has insufficient capacity
- Poor journey time reliability
- Average speeds as low as 15mph
- Worst 10% for vehicle hours delay



Strategic Context

- Air quality & noise have been a barrier to development
- Rail routes some of the most crowded
- Future developments impact on network
- Transport problems are a barrier to growth



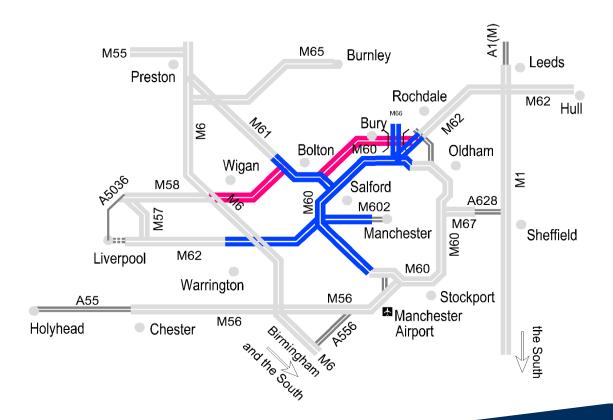
Option Development

- Intervention specific objectives developed
- Radical and transformational solutions required
- Spatial approach developed

Objective	Category
To facilitate and support the delivery of the Northern Powerhouse by ensuring the Manchester M60 North West Quadrant enables transformational growth in employment, housing and the economic output of the North	Growth
To improve journey times, reliability, safety and resilience across the study area	Network Performance
To improve connectivity for all users to they are able to access education, employment, business and opportunities	Connectivity
Minimise adverse impacts on the environment and maximise opportunities for a net improvement to the environment particularly to air quality and noise across the study area	Environment

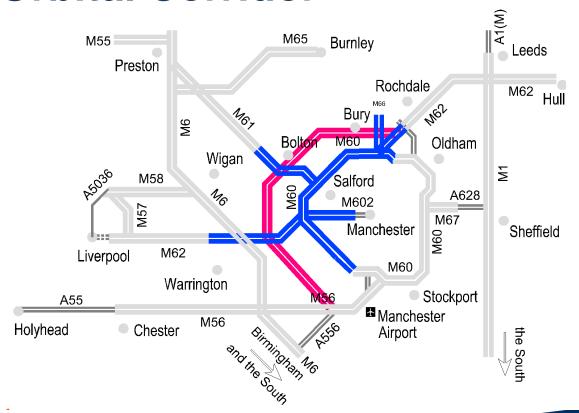


Northern Corridor



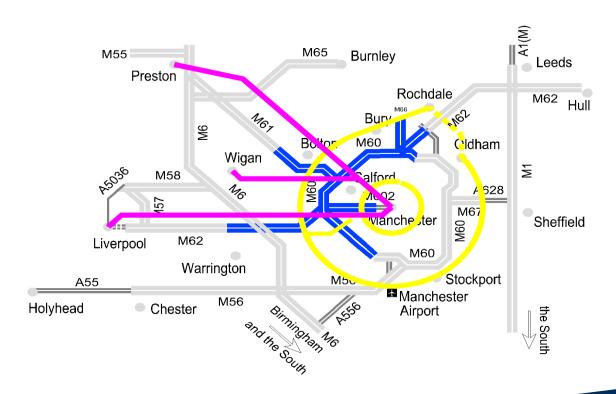


Outer Orbital Corridor



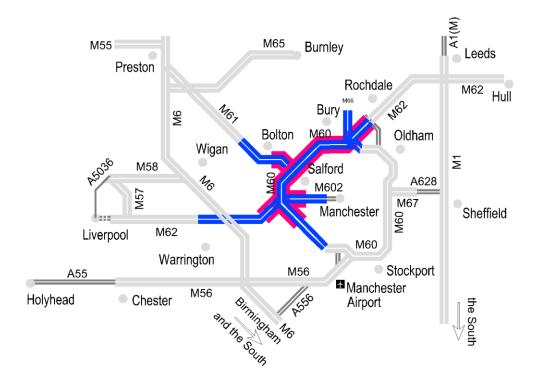


Public Transport Max (PTMax)





In-Corridor





Key Findings (1)

- Significant journey time and resilience improvements from:
 - Northern Corridor package
 - Outer Orbital package
 - In-Corridor package
- PTMax should not be considered further



Key Findings (2)

- Potential for further improvements to packages
- Benefits not only within study area but to the North of England



Next Steps

- Northern, Orbital and in-corridor packages are further refined
- Further work to develop an optimal performing package





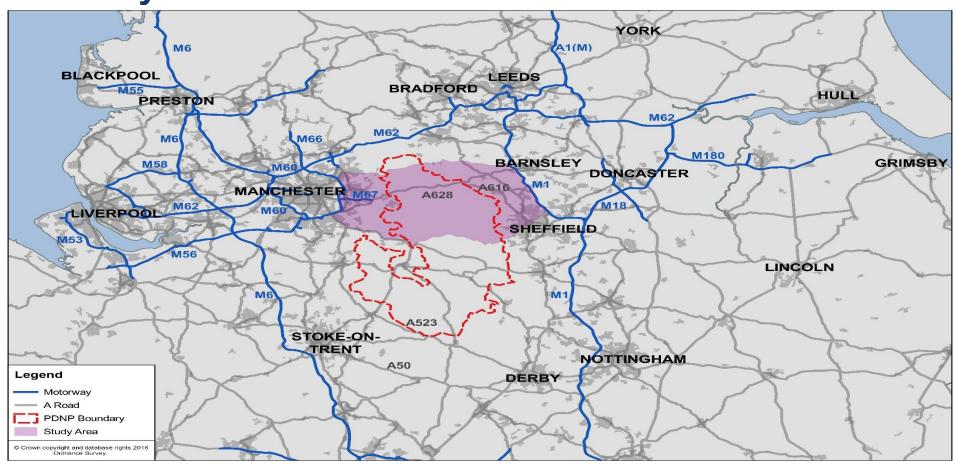
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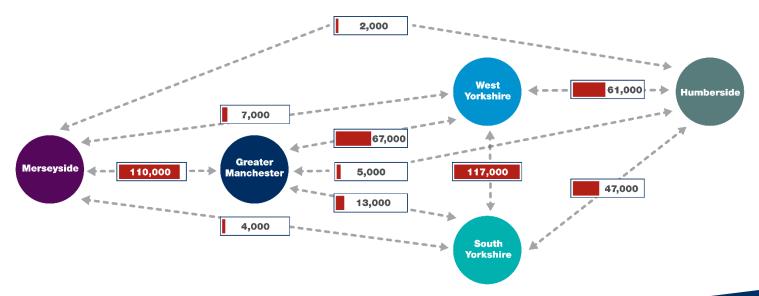
Darren Oldham – Trans-Pennine Tunnel

Study area



Strategic Context

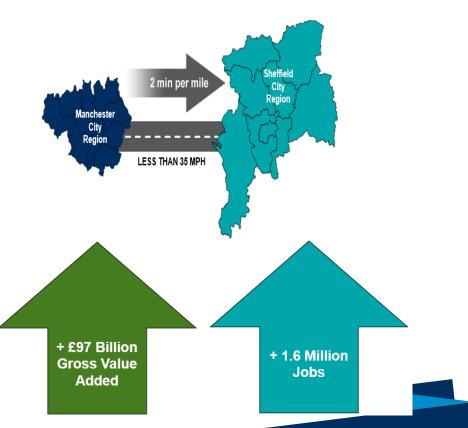
 Movements between Sheffield and Manchester are far lower than those between Manchester and Leeds or between Leeds and Sheffield





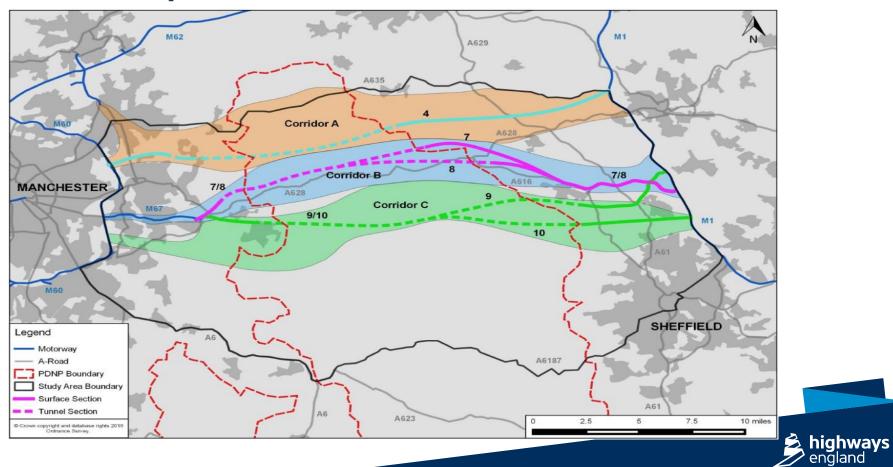
Strategic Context

- Sheffield and Manchester are one of the poorest connected city region pairs in the UK
- M62 is the only motorway standard dual carriageway east/west route in the North
- NPIER demonstrates potential for transformational uplift in economic growth – highlights better interconnectivity between city regions as a key ingredient
- Both city regions have ambitions for boosting economic growth





Potential Options



Key Findings

- Clear strategic case for the scheme, aligned with central and sub-national Government policy
- The scale of the wider economic benefits has yet to be established but initial analysis shows that these could be significant
- Construction of a new strategic route between Manchester and Sheffield is technically feasible (with some significant challenges)
- Predicted increases in traffic movements on M1 and M67/M60 are as expected, with decreases on M62 and existing cross Pennine routes
- Average journey time savings of approx. 30 mins, plus increased resilience.
- Improved environmental benefits for Peak District National Park



Provisional Tunnel Assumptions

- Anticipated that a pre-construction design development phase of 10 years followed by construction 7-9 years would be a sensible assumption
- New strategic link will open 20 25 years from now and tunnel will be designed for an operational life of 120 years
- Tunnel length between 12 and 20 miles
- Operating speed for the strategic road would be 60mph
- Annual average weekly traffic flows of 34,000 37,000 vehicles
- Cross section dual carriageway, minimum of 2 lanes in each direction
- Would be the longest tunnel in UK and one of longest road tunnels in Europe



Next Steps

 Additional modelling using the new Regional Transport Models to provide more robust assurance and understand the quantum of wider economic benefits

 Further refinement of options, costs and benefits, including relationship with other studies

Publish full SOBC in 2017





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Joint Northern Studies - Stakeholder Reference Group Wider Transport Connectivity Study

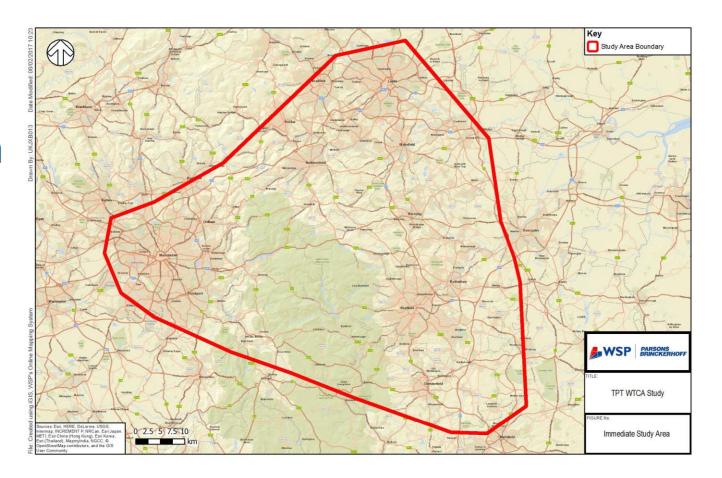
Study Scope

 Understand the impact of the Trans-Pennine Tunnel options on the wider road network

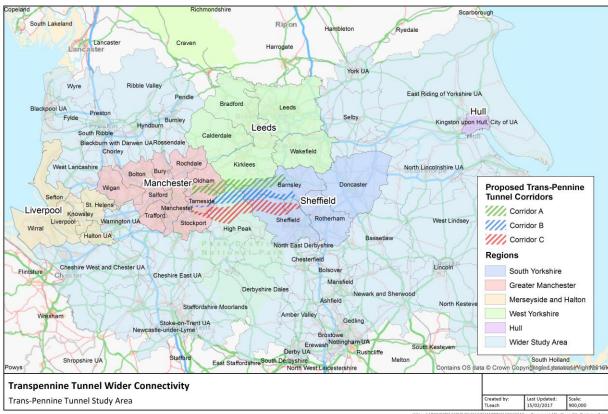
 Identify transport improvements to mitigate any adverse impacts on the highway network

 Consider investment options to ensure benefits of the Trans-Pennine Tunnel are maximised across a much wider area

Immediate Study Area



Wider Study Area



Outline of Work

- Consider key strategic and local road networks, as well as growth areas and urban centres
- Identify options for changes to known proposed schemes
- Consider impact on schemes outside of main study area
- Consider impact on public transport networks / active travel modes
- Incorporate findings of other studies e.g. M60 NW Quadrant

Outline of Work

- Interventions to reduce delays and improve journey time reliability
- Take account of wider TfN Transport Strategy, local transport and spatial strategies
- Make use of the Regional Transport Model
- Incorporate findings of DfT land use / transport interaction modelling
- Understand the wider economic impacts of any investment

Study Stages

Stage 1

 Review previous study work and carry out further transport analysis

Stage 2

• Identify potential intervention options

Stage 3

- Assess identified options
- Short list options and appraise costs and benefits

Study Progress

- Stage 1 complete
- Study Objectives developed (draft)
- Initial Long-List of Interventions
- High-Level sift undertaken
- Interventions to be packaged



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