WEST OF ENGLAND

Combined Authority

Joint Local Transport Plan MetroWest & Rail

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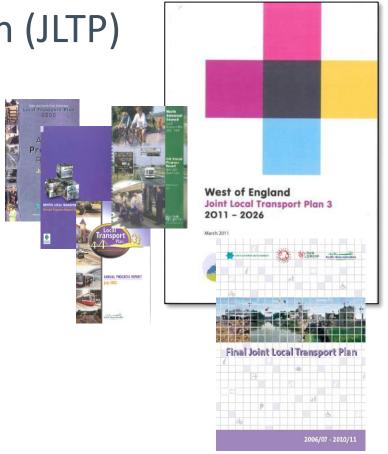
The West of England Combined Authority (WECA) covers Bath & North East Somerset, Bristol and South Gloucestershire. WECA also supports the Local Enterprise Partnership and Joint Committee, which includes North Somerset.

Key transport challenges

NOW	2026	2036
Congestion costs £300m Peak time average speed	Congestion costs £500m Delays up 17%	Congestion costs £800m
22.4 mph (23.7mph nationally)		Delays up 40%
300 deaths per year in Bristol attributable to poor air quality (1 death per 1,500 population, compared with 1 death per 2,200 nationally)		Vehicle trips up 26%
		Time spent queuing up 74%
29% of CO2 emissions are from transport (24% nationally)	Pv 2026.	Journey time up 9%
	By 2036:	CO2 emissions up 22%
64% travel to work by car (highest of all core city regions)	105,500 new homes	
8.8% of journeys by public transport (lowest of all core city regions)	82,500 jobs	

New Joint Local Transport Plan (JLTP)

- Fourth generation JLTP
- Responsibility of the West of England Combined Authority
- Statutory document and covers the whole of the West of England region
- High level transport strategy outlining strategic policies, schemes and outcomes
- Informed by the Joint Transport Study
- Independent Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)



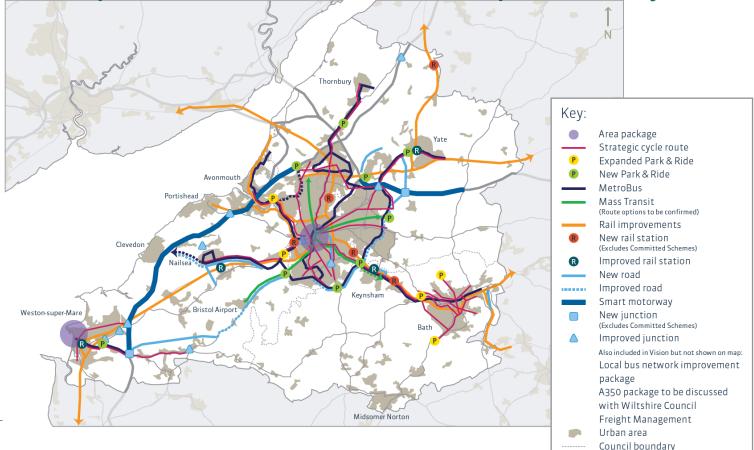








Transport Vision – Joint Transport Study, Oct 2018

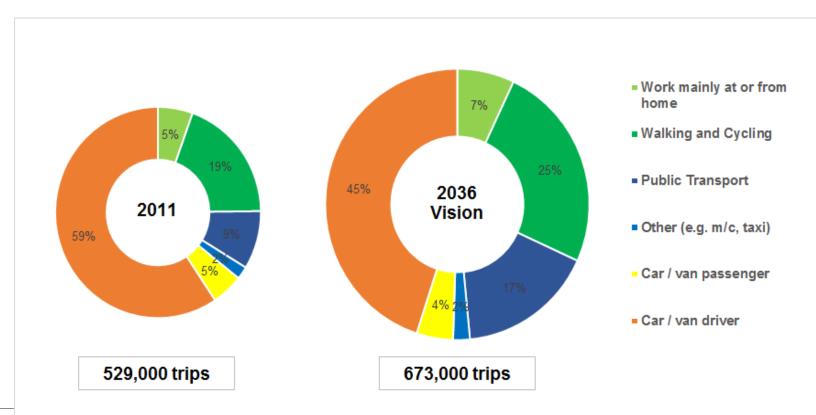


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Outcomes: Forecast Mode Shift



Joint Local Transport Plan Objectives

Objectives

- Support sustainable economic growth
- Promote equality and accessibility
- Improve air quality and respond to climate change
- Contribute to better health, wellbeing, safety and security
- Create better places

Key themes and Programme

Key Themes

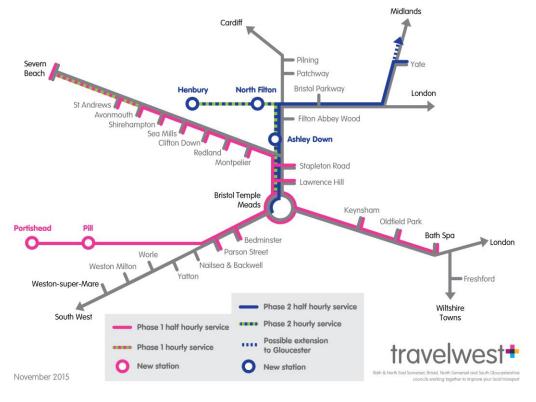
- Supporting sustainable economic growth and equal access for all
- Connectivity
- Creating better places
- Embrace technological advances and innovation
- Bus Strategy and Key Route Network

Programme

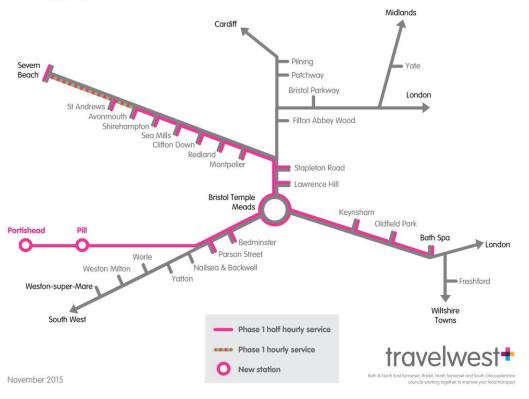
- September 2018 public consultation
- Early 2019 endorsed Plan

MetroWest Phase 1 and 2





MetroWest + Phase 1



Revised scheme costs

- Network Rail GRIP 3 (Outline design) completed.
- Scheme cost now £145m to £175m for 2 trains per hour service.
- £58m funding available so scheme is currently unaffordable and unlikely to attract sufficient additional funding.



Key drivers for cost increases

 Avon Gorge – increase in works needed to meet modern safety standards and increase line speeds for 2 trains per hour alongside freight trains.

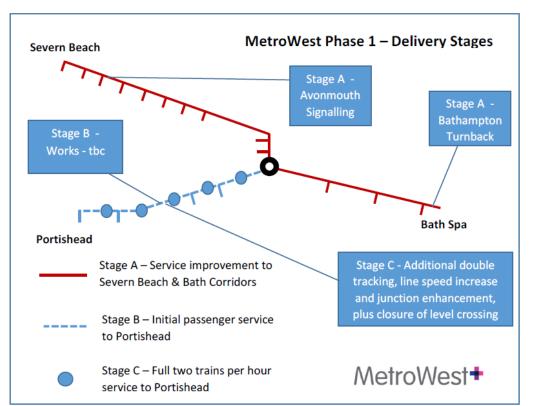
 Ashton Vale level crossing – impact of 2 trains per hour on rail and highway safety, traffic impact and the need for an alternative access.

 Land required for construction and environmental mitigation to deliver the scheme.

Increased risks arising from all of the above.



Taking a staged approach





Where are we now

- Revised scheme cost £116m.
- BCR of 3.48, 1m passengers a year.
- Extra £12m of local funding AND
- £46m bid to the Department for Transport's Large Local Major Transport Scheme fund.
- Decision expected Spring 2018.
- Development Consent Order July 2018.
- Stage 1A Severn Beach Line to Bath Spa opening 2020/21
- Stage 1B Portishead 2021/22
- Bristol East Junction remodelling



Portishead now





Portishead in 2021/22





Pill now

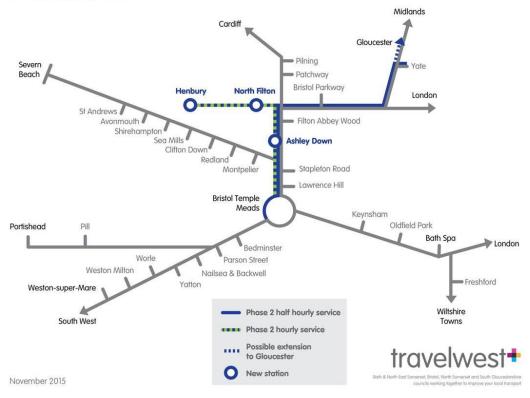




Pill in 2021/22



MetroWest + Phase 2



MetroWest Phase 2

- £43m scheme (2021 prices)
- Re-opening the Henbury freight line to passenger traffic with hourly service and new stations at Henbury and North Filton.
- New station at Ashley Down (Filton Bank).
- Half hourly services to Yate with extension to Gloucester.
- BCR = 3.14.
- 600,000+ passengers a year.
- GRIP 3 work started, to report October 2018.
- Opening 2021.



Ashley Down station site





North Filton new station site





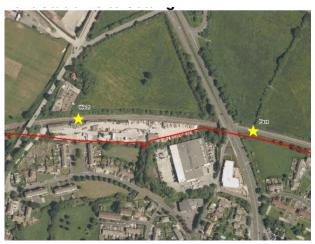
Cribbs Patchway New Neighbourhood





Henbury station - new east location







Evolving MetroWest

- Adopting a programme approach.
- Adapting to changing timescales and funding opportunities.
- Bristol East Junction capacity issues.
- Looking beyond MetroWest enhanced and new services.
- Joint Spatial Plan and Joint Transport Study
 mass transit studies.





Portway Platform

- Single platform to serve Park & Ride site on Severn Beach Line
- £2.63m cost
- New Stations Funding of £1.67m awarded August 2017
- 105,000 journeys pa by 2026
- Opening 2020

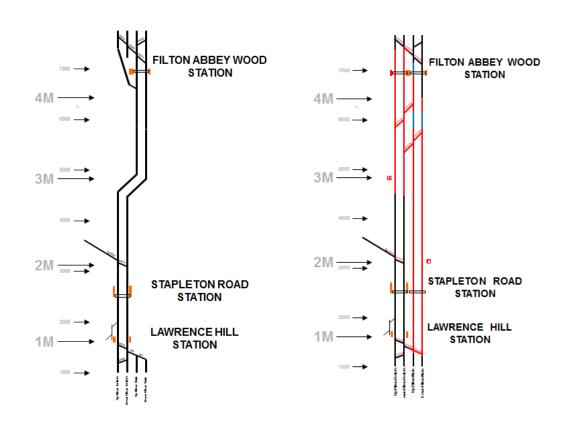


New and Newer Trains



Four tracking

- Enables 4 train per hour new IET service.
- Vital for MetroWest.
- Blockade 27 October to 19 November 2018.
- Opening 3 December 2018.
- 10 miles of track, 6 underbridges and a new viaduct.



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Completed Works



Stapleton Road Viaduct Demolition- Going



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Horfield Cutting



Boiling Wells Underpass



GSMR Masts at Muller Rd and Narroways

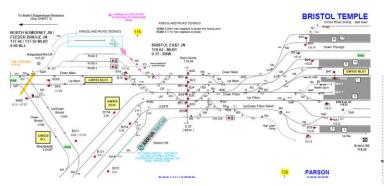
More happening

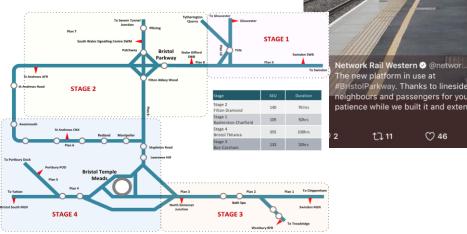
 Bristol East Junction remodelling. Additional capacity needed for MetroWest. Funding and timescales tbc.

Bristol Parkway 4th platform now open.

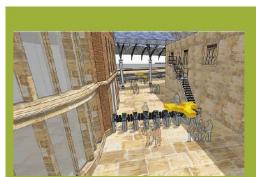
Bristol Area Signalling and Renewals Enhancement

(BASRE) being completed.





Bristol Temple Meads – short term





NetworkRail

New gateline in Bonaparte's Alley: 8 bidirectional gates incl 2 WAG

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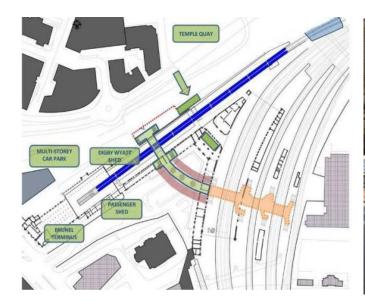






Bristol Temple Meads – longer term

- New Master Plan for station and Temple Quarter.
- New University campus
- New entrances and exits.
- Platforms 0 and 1 back into use.





Key rail points

- Building a modern local railway.
- Realistic, pragmatic, affordable.
- Funding and commitment is key.
- Need lots of passengers!
- £10m+ a station (10,000 catchment).
- Need network capacity.
- Revenue support and rolling stock.
- We're getting there!
- MetroWest = £100m+, 2 new lines, 5
 new stations and ½ hourly services.





Thank you!

