

What is the Transforming Cities Fund (TCF) programme?

Providing an accessible, attractive, and cleaner alternative to car journeys is at the heart of [Southampton Transforming Cities Fund](#) (TCF). A major new programme of transport infrastructure investment secured as part of the Government's funding in a joint bid by Southampton City Council and Hampshire County Council.

This significant level of capital transport funding in partnership with local authorities will have a transformative impact on people's journeys by bus, walking and cycling. It also supports Southampton City Council's Green City Plan and Hampshire County Council's Climate Emergency, enabling the sustainable growth of the City Region.

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/landplanningandenvironment/environment/climatechange/whatarewedoing/climatechangestrategy>

The programme will be funded through £57m from the Department for Transport.

The investment will support plans to improve connectivity across three major travel corridors in and out of Southampton from the Waterside (from Totton down to Holbury), Eastleigh and Bursledon and establish Local Mobility Hubs (LMH) in key local areas. This infrastructure requires delivery by March 2023.

What will be delivered through the TCF programme?

Waterside Corridor

- Redbridge viaduct – increasing the height of the bridge parapets to the desired height, offering increased protection for cyclists.
- Eling to Holbury Cycle Route – the development of a continuous cycle route from Eling to Holbury. The route is a mix of on and off road, segregated and shared, maximising the opportunities and funding available. The route aims to link the existing settlements along the Waterside together, creating a legible and cohesive network of routes.
- Rushington Roundabout – bus priority - Adding traffic signals and additional capacity to the roundabout to speed up the bus at this congested location.
- Marchwood Bypass – bus priority - A bus only right turn from the A326 onto Marchwood bypass, joining with Rushington Roundabout to reduce journey length and therefore speed up journey times.
- Junction Road, Totton – bus only link - in both directions to reduce journey length and speed up journey times. Location of a 'super' stop for bus passengers on Commercial Road.
- Improved bus stops with real time information - Super and enhanced stops are proposed along the corridors to improve passengers experience, waiting facilities and information supplied. Potentially the opportunity for micro consolidation, e-bikes, retail lockers/offers.

Eastleigh Corridor

- Eastleigh Town Centre cycle route (from Southampton Parkway to Eastleigh Town Centre) - Modal filters, signage and crossing facilities to provide a cycle route from Southampton Parkway to Eastleigh Town Centre.
- Bishopstoke Road, Eastleigh (western end) – bus priority - The provision of bus lane, signal priority from Riverside Junction to Chickenhall Lane Junction.
- Airport Parkway travel hub - The provision of travel information and interchange at the Airport Parkway site to ensure integration between modes and improve journey efficiency and journey planning.
- Eastleigh Mobility Hub - A Local Mobility Hub (LMH) will be a single place where a range of mobility options, services and facilities are available in a convenient location. They provide the opportunity for people who do not have access to their own car or only have one vehicle to access a vehicle. They can also be used by those that want to make cleaner trips using an electric vehicle, bike or cargo bike for work, business, or leisure.
- Improved bus stops with real time information - Super and enhanced stops are proposed along the corridors to improve passengers experience, waiting facilities and information supplied. Potentially the opportunity for micro consolidation, e-bikes, retail lockers/offers.

Bursledon Corridor

- Bursledon Road Cycle Link - Improving existing provision for cyclists and enabling connectivity and joining up routes within the developing cycling network.
- A27 Providence Hill Cycle Link - Improving existing provision for cyclists and enabling connectivity and joining up routes within the developing cycling network.
- Improved bus stops with real time information - Super and enhanced stops are proposed along the corridors to improve passengers experience, waiting facilities and information supplied. Potentially the opportunity for micro consolidation, e-bikes, retail lockers/offers.

What organisations are involved?

Department for Transport, Southampton City Council and Hampshire County Council in partnership with local and district councils.

How can I have my say on schemes in my area?

A variety of public consultations and engagement activities are currently taking place. Online response forms are available between the following dates for the schemes as shown below: -

- Eastleigh Cycle Route Scheme - 12/7/21 - 20/8/21
- Eling to Totton Cycle Route Scheme - 9/8/21 - 3/9/21
- Waterside Corridor (including Rushington Roundabout, Marchwood Bypass and Junction Road, Totton) - 13/9/21 - 8/10/21
- Bishopstoke Road Cycle Scheme - 24/9/21 - 22/10/21

You can also get in touch with Hampshire County Council's implementation team via implementation@hants.gov.uk, 0300 555 1388

or write to Strategic Transport, Hampshire County Council, The Castle, Winchester, SO23 8UD.

Where can we find the Business Case?

https://www.southampton.gov.uk/media/tvtn1shq/southampton-tcf-sobc_tcm63-428998.pdf

The pavements and roads in the area require repairs. Will this be included in the project?

Unfortunately, not this scheme is being funded and governed by the Southampton Transforming Cities Fund investment to bring about improvement to cycleways, footways, and road crossings to help more people to walk and cycle locally and further afield, as well as improving bus travel and connecting different types of transport through mobility and travel hubs in Eastleigh and Southampton Parkway. However, if there are any maintenance issues associated directly in the scheme area then they will be included within the projects.

What Government and/or Council Policies or Strategies does this support?

- Department for Transport 'Transport Investment Strategy'
 - https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/918490/Transport_investment_strategy.pdf
- Department for Transport 'Transport Decarbonisation plan'
 - https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1002285/decarbonising-transport-a-better-greener-britain.pdf
- Hampshire 2050 Vision
 - <https://documents.hants.gov.uk/transport/HampshireLTTPPartALongTermStrategy2011-2031RevisedApril2013.pdf>
- Hampshire Local Transport Plan 2011-2031
 - <https://documents.hants.gov.uk/transport/HampshireLocalTransportPlan-PartBThreeYearImplementationPlan2014-2017-May2014.doc>
- Hampshire Climate Change Strategy
 - <https://www.hants.gov.uk/landplanningandenvironment/environment/climatechange/whatarewedoing/climatechangestrategy>
- HCC Cycling Strategy
 - <http://documents.hants.gov.uk/transport-strategy-documents/HampshireCyclingStrategy.pdf>

How will you measure the success of the changes?

Monitoring and Evaluation will be carried out to establish impact and outcomes during and after completion of any physical works. It is proposed that monitoring of key data sets would be conducted until at least one year after TCF programme completion. Can be amended in line with Department of Transport's Transforming Cities Fund Monitoring and Evaluation Framework.

Who is project managing the schemes?

All schemes are being managed collaboratively between Southampton City Council and Hampshire County Council.

For any specific enquiries please contact the implementation team on implementation@hants.gov.uk

or telephone 0300 555 1388

or by post at Strategic Transport, Hampshire County Council, The Castle, Winchester SO23 8UD

How are you meeting your public sector equality duty?

Equality Impact Assessments

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- advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic (age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, and sexual orientation) and those who do not share it
- foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it
- We do this by conducting Equality Impact Assessments (EIAs). EIAs are listed on these pages and out.

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/aboutthecouncil/equality/equality-impact-assessment>