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BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

ECONOMY, SKILLS AND TRANSPORT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, 18 JANUARY 2018 AT 14:00 HOURS
IN COMMITTEE ROOM 2, COUNCIL HOUSE, VICTORIA SQUARE,
BIRMINGHAM, B1 1BB

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1 NOTICE OF RECORDING/WEBCAST

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2 APOLOGIES

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3 ECONOMY, SKILLS AND TRANSPORT: ACTION NOTES

To confirm and sign the Action Notes of the meeting held on the 14 December 2017

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4 FLOOD RISK AND MANAGEMENT ANNUAL REPORT

Kerry Whitehouse, Interim Flood Risk Manager.

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5 WEST MIDLANDS RAIL FRANCHISE

Jan Chaudhry-van der Velde, Managing Director, West Midlands Trains; Francis Thomas, Head of Corporate Affairs, West Midlands Trains and Tom Painter, Head of Franchise Management, West Midlands Rail.

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6 WORK PROGRAMME FOR THE ECONOMY, SKILLS AND TRANSPORT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 2017/18

To note the work programme for discussion.

7 **REQUEST(S) FOR CALL IN/COUNCILLOR CALL FOR ACTION/PETITIONS RECEIVED (IF ANY)**

To consider any request for call in/councillor call for action/petitions (if received).

8 **OTHER URGENT BUSINESS**

To consider any items of business by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) that in the opinion of the Chairman are matters of urgency.

9 **AUTHORITY TO CHAIRMAN AND OFFICERS**

Chairman to move:-

'In an urgent situation between meetings, the Chairman jointly with the relevant Chief Officer has authority to act on behalf of the Committee'.

BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

ECONOMY, SKILLS AND TRANSPORT O&S COMMITTEE

1400 hours on 14th December 2017, Committee Rooms 3&4 – Actions

Present:

Councillor Zafar Iqbal (Chair)

Councillors David Barrie, Zaker Choudhry, Liz Clements, Mahmood Hussain, Josh Jones, John O'Shea and Ken Wood

Also Present:

Mel Jones, Transportation Behaviour Change Manager, Birmingham City Council

Kambiz Porooshasp, Associate Director - Technology Services, AECOM

Chief Inspector Kerry Blakeman, Camera Enforcement Unit, West Midlands Police

Paul Tovey, Group Leader, Sustainable Travel & Highway Management, Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council

Councillor Ted Richards OBE, Cabinet Member for Transport and Highways, Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council

Baseema Begum, Research & Policy Officer, Scrutiny Office

Rose Kiely, Overview & Scrutiny Manager, Scrutiny Office

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2. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Sir Albert Bore, Phil Davis, Timothy Huxtable and Ziaul Islam. Councillor Josh Jones submitted an apology for lateness.

The Chair stated that he would be re-arranging the order of the agenda to accommodate Cabinet Members who were attending for the Budget Consultation item.

3. BUDGET CONSULTATION

Councillor Brett O'Reilly, Cabinet Member for Jobs and Skills outlined the following key points in relation to the two key budget lines included in the consultation relating to his portfolio:

- The consultation was agreed at Cabinet on 12th December and is open until 15th January 2018 for public comment on proposals. Final decisions will be ratified at the City Council meeting on 27th February.
- There are no proposals to close youth centres or cut frontline youth workers.
- There is a £630k pressure this year. This does not include any front line cuts due to European Social Fund (ESF) funding being used by the youth service as a delivery partner in the Youth Promise Plus programme.
- The Youth Promise Plus programme finishes in July 2018 however a bid into the ESF (to the region of £450k) to continue the good work to date is currently in progress.
- A further £150k – pilot work on return home interviews for care leavers currently being delivered by a third sector partner. This pilot is exploring how the Youth Service might be able to do this in the future therefore creating an efficiency with agreement from the Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Schools on how this might become part of a future strategy.
- There are various other income streams to the value of £30k that are also being explored. There is a proposed cut of £100k to the Youth Service budget next year.
- The other budget line relates to the efficiencies needed to be made in the Employment Service. Reconfiguring of services to ensure that it is still able to deliver the services that the Council wants to in line with its objectives which will mean a reduction in some of the services it currently offers.

Councillor Bridget Jones, Deputy Leader made reference to the areas within her portfolio that relate to the Committee and made the following points:

- There has been significant cuts to the arts sector and there are no further proposals to make any cuts this year to arts or the museums.
- There was a consultation with the Library service on how the service should be shaped last year including prospects for community libraries in the future in terms of refurbishment and repairs. .

During discussion and in response to Members the following points were made:

- There was concern in relation to the cutting back of services provided by the Employment Service in terms of becoming unproductive at some stage.
- The lifespan of ESF is more flexible and how quickly the £14m secured to date can be used. An assurance has been given that this can still be drawn down following Brexit. A meeting is being held with academics in the city next week to look at what the impact might be for Birmingham following Brexit with a Commission being set up in the future.
- The Youth Service baseline budget is in the region of £1.9m.

- Repairs and investment are key for the future of community libraries. Primarily they are community assets so it is important not to lose their purpose and to keep the buildings open for children and adults to access reading material and access to the internet.
- The Deputy Leader confirmed that she has a meeting with Sutton Town Council in regards to the future of Sutton Library.
- In regards to commercialisation in parks – there is no blanket policy to start charging in for parking in parks across the city. The purpose of parks is to provide free open space however some consideration can be given to raising income through other means such as charging for entry when running events.

RESOLVED:-

1. Councillor O'Reilly to provide more information on the Employment Services budget.

4. ECONOMY, SKILLS AND TRANSPORT: ACTION NOTES 16TH NOVEMBER 2017/ISSUES ARISING

The Chair, Cllr Iqbal confirmed progress on outstanding actions from the Committee's previous meetings:

- A briefing note on the costs of enforcing parking was circulated to Members on 8th December
- Cllr Choudhry has been provided with a response on parking enforcement issues relating to the Tesco at Swan Island.
- Consultation responses received for the Birmingham Design Guide will be collected towards the end of January. Therefore Cllr Wood should expect to receive the requested breakdown by numbers after this date.

5. WORK PROGRAMME FOR THE ECONOMY, SKILLS AND TRANSPORT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 2017-18

(See document No 4)

The Chair explained that to accommodate the budget consultation at today's meeting the report on Flood Risk Management would be received at the Committee's January meeting.

Following comments from Members at the last meeting future updates on the East Birmingham & North Solihull Regeneration Strategy and the Birmingham Design Guide the Chair confirmed that these will be scheduled for Autumn 2018.

The Leader has agreed to attend the Committee's February meeting to discuss the Commonwealth Games.

Cllr Josh Jones requested an update on the Birmingham Cycle Revolution programme at a future meeting.

The Chair confirmed that a letter to the Parliamentary Select Committee on the economic impact of Brexit to the region was drafted and awaiting comments from Cllr Davis and O'Shea before sending it on.

RESOLVED:-

That the above points are noted and the work programme is updated to reflect the changes agreed.

6. REVIEW OF AVERAGE SPEED ENFORCEMENT CAMERAS PILOT

Mel Jones, Transportation Behaviour Change Manager took members through the presentation slides and briefing note provided in the pack to Members. During discussion the following points were made:

- Cllr Ted Richards, Solihull Met. Borough Council explained that many requests have been received by residents for more schemes demonstrating that residents feel positive about them. Following this cameras on Lode Lane have been extended to cover an additional 500 metres. He felt that the cameras have improved driver behaviour and road safety.
- Cllr Stacey thought it was positive to share experiences with neighbouring authorities and learn from one another.
- The improvements are funded by the fees charged to offenders that are sent on courses to improve their driving behaviour.
- Chief Inspector Blakeman confirmed that the cameras operate on a 24/7 basis and rotate on all of the sites with the primary objective being to bring down the speed of motorists rather than income generation or to clog up the court system.
- Data can be broken down further by desired parameter for a range of purposes.
- The new cameras are more effective than GATSO cameras and are far more effective and it impacts on driver behaviour in terms of enforcing the speed limit.
- Chief Inspector Blakeman confirmed that a low end breach of the speed limit enables the driver to be eligible to attend a speed awareness course. The charge to attend the course covers the West Midlands Police administration costs. Any excess monies are returned to the relevant local authority. Cases of excessive high speeding are sent to court and any financial penalty given by the court is returned to the Treasury.
- The National Police Chief Guidance 10% plus 2 in terms of excess speed threshold on roads is adhered to here in the West Midlands. A separate team works on cloned number plates where there is some question about who is driving a vehicle.
- There are five other local authorities are very keen to roll out this scheme possibly in 2018/19. It makes sense from a Police points a view to work collectively across the West Midlands.
- It is anticipated that a desktop exercise starts in New Year to consider further sites in the city. This will be based on speed/collision data and a number of other considerations and agreed with West Midlands Police before implementation.

- The capital costs can be funded on the back of other schemes where improvements are being made so the installation of cameras can be considered as part of this as appropriate.
- In terms of putting in a road safety schemes programme the starting point is always collision data and priority is given to collisions where there have been serious injury or fatalities (KSIs).

7. REQUEST(S) FOR CALL IN/COUNCILLOR CALL FOR ACTION/PETITIONS

None.

8. OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

None.

9. AUTHORITY TO CHAIRMAN AND OFFICERS

Agreed.

RESOLVED:-

That in an urgent situation between meetings the Chair, jointly with the relevant Chief Officer, has authority to act on behalf of the Committee.

The meeting ended at 1624 hours.

Flood Risk Management Annual Report

Report of the Interim Flood Risk Manager January 2018

1. Introduction

A scrutiny review of Flood Risk Management and Response was published in June 2010. This set out 12 recommendations which were completed in 2010. In June 2010, The Flood and Water Management Act 2010 passed into law conveying new responsibilities and making Birmingham City Council a Lead Local Flood Authority (LLFA). This report highlights progress in addressing these new statutory responsibilities and provides an update on other flood risk management related issues.

2. Flood and Water Management Act Duties

The following work has been undertaken to fulfil the LLFA duties under the Flood and Water Management Act.

2.1 Local Flood Risk Management Strategy

Following a 12 week consultation period on Be Heard, the Local Flood Risk Management Strategy for Birmingham was published in October 2017 having gained the approval of Cabinet. The Strategy sets out the objectives for managing local flood risk and the measures proposed to achieve those objectives. One of the main aims of the strategy is to make it clearer to the public who is responsible for flood risk, their level of flood risk and measures that can be taken to manage that risk.

The Local Flood Risk Management Strategy is required to consider the impact and consequences of local flood risk (from small watercourses, surface water runoff and groundwater) together with the interface between the larger rivers and local flood risk sources.

The overarching aim of the strategy is to ensure that local flood risk is understood and managed in a coordinated way in Birmingham. The strategy sets out seven objectives and twenty policies in relation to:

- Identifying stakeholder responsibilities and partnership arrangements;
- Understanding and communicating local flood risk;
- Outlining arrangements for flood asset management;
- Defining the criteria and procedures for responding to and investigating flooding events;
- Setting out how flood risk management measures will be promoted;
- Minimising the impact of development on flood risk; and
- Considering the environmental implications of local flood risk management

2.2 Cooperation with other Flood Risk Management Authorities

The LLFA continues to cooperate extensively with other risk management authorities (RMAs) at various levels as established in the 3 tiered flood risk management governance structure.

2.2.1 Strategic Flood Risk Management Board

The Strategic Board met in December 2017 and will meet again in July 2018. The strategic Board acts as the focus and political driver for partnership activity.

2.2.2 Birmingham Water Group

The Birmingham Water Group met in November 2017 and will meet again in June 2018. The Birmingham Water Group is the officer led partnership working to deliver flood risk management improvements across the City.

2.2.3 Project Groups

The LLFA has worked with partners on a number of projects as follows:

River Rea Partnership

The River Rea Partnership, led by the Environment Agency is currently delivering two flood risk management schemes in the City:

- **Selly Park North Flood Risk Management Scheme:**

Work has started on the Selly Park North Flood Risk Management Scheme. The Environment Agency has worked in partnership with Calthorpe Estates, Birmingham City Council and other organisations to develop the Selly Park Flood Risk Management Scheme to help reduce the risk of flooding.

The area of Selly Park North has a history of flooding from the Bourn Brook severely affecting the area in 2008 and more recently in June 2016. This scheme will help reduce flood risk to 150 properties in the area.

The scheme involves deepening and widening an existing flood water storage area near the Bourn Brook Walkway on Harborne Lane, Harborne. This will increase the capacity of the storage area and offer wildlife and ecology improvements. Flow improvement works are also being carried out at the Pebble Mill development site creating an overland flow route to direct flows into a new bypass culvert running underneath the Pershore Road. This will reduce the risk of flood water getting onto the highway and into properties.

- **Selly Park South Flood Risk Management Scheme**

Work is nearing completion on the Environment Agency's £2.4 million flood risk management scheme in Selly Park South. The Environment Agency has worked in partnership with St Andrew's Healthcare, Birmingham City Council and other organisations to develop the Selly Park Flood Risk Management Scheme to help reduce the risk of flooding.

The area of Selly Park South has a history of flooding from the River Rea, most notably in 2008 when some residents were forced to move out of their homes as a result of flood damage. This scheme will help protect more than 200 properties in the area.

The scheme includes plans to build an embankment on public open space, immediately upstream of Dogpool Lane bridge that will help hold water during extreme heavy rainfall events. Bank levels will also be raised downstream of the bridge to reduce the risk of flood water getting into properties.

River Tame Strategy

The Perry Barr and Witton scheme is to be delivered over 2 phases. Phase 1 has been completed which increases the level of protection to Perry Barr and Witton but not to the design standard. Phase 2 will increase flood storage in Sandwell Valley, a contractor has been appointed to undertake this work but works are yet to commence on site.

The Bromford reach of the Tame is subject to ongoing discussion to seek to align budgets for flood risk management and housing development on the Bromford Estate. Discussions also continue with the EA and HS2 to ensure any opportunities in this area are not missed.

2.3 Investigation and Publication of Reports of Flooding Incidents

2.3.1 Significant Flood Events

A number of storms occurred in Birmingham during June 2016, with the most significant storms occurring on 8th, 10th and 16th June. These storms caused widespread flooding across Birmingham, most notably affecting Sutton Coldfield, Perry Barr, Handsworth, Selly Park, Selly Oak, Woodgate, Bartley Green, Quinton and Harborne.

During the Flood Event

Birmingham City Council received a high number of calls during the event, which reported flooding of properties, gardens and highways.

During the flood events, the LLFA coordinated with multiple RMAs to ensure that flooding was managed effectively and the risk to people and properties was mitigated as far as reasonably practicable

Initial Investigations

Through the use of call records, flooding investigation questionnaires, drop in events and site visits, the LLFA identified the locations where flooding occurred and distributed 'Flood Surveys' to all property owners and residents directly affected by flooding and those within the surrounding area.

Over 700 responses were received, providing personal accounts of the flood event including the estimated time, duration, extent and depth with any other information which was felt pertinent.

Following receipt of the Flood Survey responses, the LLFA identified 23 areas where at least one property experienced internal flooding.

Detailed Investigation and Analysis

The LLFA conducted detailed investigation and individual location analysis of each of the 23 areas where a minimum of one property experienced internal flooding.

These investigations typically included a review of existing infrastructure and topography, identification of predominant flow paths, site visits and local knowledge gathering

Through a detailed analysis, the LLFA have identified the types of flooding that occurred at each location during the events of June 2016.

Step 4: Recommended Actions

Following the analysis of the 23 affected areas, the LLFA have worked in collaboration with other RMAs to identify opportunities and options to mitigate the potential that a similar rainfall event will result in similar outcomes.

2.3.2 Section 19 Flooding Investigation Report

The Flood and Water Management Act places a duty on Lead Local Flood Authorities to investigate incidents of flooding. This is set out in Section 19 of the act and the investigations are

therefore typically termed '*Section 19 Reports*.' A report was published on the Council website in May 2017 outlining the causes of the flooding and the appropriate actions that may be undertaken by the relevant RMAs

2.3.3 Flooded Sites Action Tracker

Flood events are tracked in the Flooded Sites Action Tracker. A copy of the most recent tracker is attached in Appendix A. As a result of the June 2016 the number of locations on the tracker has increased substantially. However plans are in place for the majority of locations, but solutions range from works in the current year, through to proposals for longer term national and regional grant funding.

2.4 Register of Flood Risk Management Assets

LLFAs are required, under Section 21 of the FWMA, to 'establish and maintain a register of structures or features which, in the opinion of the authority, are likely to have a significant effect on a flood risk in its area. The Act also requires that the LLFA must arrange for the register to be available for inspection at all reasonable times.

Birmingham City Council has developed a web-based system that is accessible to the public at all times, it brings together information about flood risk assets that are managed by Birmingham City Council and third parties.

The asset register shows structures and features that are important to managing flood risk (such as flood defence walls, storage tanks, balancing ponds, land drainage, highway drainage) along with the relevant Flood RMA responsible for their maintenance.

All owners of assets that have been included on the register have been notified and advised that they should have an inspection and maintenance regime in place to ensure that it is operating as designed.

Assets on the register, both Birmingham City Council and third party, are inspected by the Flood Risk Management Team. The frequency of the inspection is dependent on the type of asset and the risk of blockage, varying between 18 months and 15 years. Where an asset inspection identifies an issue with an asset the asset owner is notified and asked to undertake the necessary maintenance works.

2.5 Consenting Works on Ordinary Watercourses

Birmingham City Council as LLFA is the Authority responsible for regulating activities on ordinary watercourses in Birmingham. As a result Birmingham City Council is legally responsible for dealing with applications for ordinary watercourse land drainage consents.

Any person planning to carry out work that may affect the flow or storage of water in an ordinary watercourse must seek consent from the relevant Authority before any work is commenced.

An ordinary watercourse is defined as any watercourse which is not a main river. A watercourse includes all rivers and streams and all ditches, drains, cuts, culverts, dikes, sluices, sewers (other than public sewers i.e. being vested in a sewerage undertaker etc.) and passages through which water flows, but may not hold water all the time.

If the watercourse is classed as Main River consent will need to be obtained from the Environment Agency for any works or structures in, under, over or within 8 metres from the top of the bank.

This ordinary watercourse consenting process is in place to ensure that any works carried out do not have a detrimental effect on other people or the environment. It also ensures that any works which may affect flood risk are properly designed. If works are carried out without consent, Birmingham City Council has enforcement powers to remove or modify them.

In 2016, 6 applications were received and approved. To the 31st October 2017, 4 applications have been received in 2017.

2.6 Works to Manage Flood Risk

The LLFA has delivered a number of capital and revenue schemes. These works are funded from a variety of funding mechanisms and a considerable number of flood risk management works have been delivered for internal departments. Most notably the flood risk management team works routinely with Leisure to provide consultancy services for drainage and environmental improvement works as well as arranging statutory inspections under the Reservoir Act 1975 in order that the Council's large raised reservoirs are managed in accordance with the Act.

The following works have been delivered since January 2016.

2.6.1 Grant Funded: Flood Defence Grant in Aid and/or Local Levey

Property level resilience measures:

- **Bean Croft, Woodgate**
- **Pensby Close, Springfield**
- **Overdale Road, Quinton**
- **Nesfield Close, West Heath.**

2.6.2 Works Funded by Flood Risk Management Revenue Budget

Routine clearance to all strategic grill structures (frequencies vary from weekly to 6 monthly depending on how critical the asset is) & additional grill clearance following severe weather:

- **City Wide**

Sandbag and Aqua Snake distribution to Flood Action Groups.

- **Selly Park**
- **Northfield**
- **Frankley**
- **Sparkhill**

Restoring flood channel/culvert capacity by excavation, cutting back vegetation and removing major blockages:

- **Brosil Avenue to Sunningdale Close, Handsworth**
- **Nesfield Close, West Heath**
- **Silvercroft Avenue, Handsworth**
- **Beaumont Road to Arosa Drive, Harborne**
- **Mill Lane to Adams Hill, Bartley Green**
- **Springfield Road to Falcon Lodge Crescent, Falcon Lodge**
- **Acheson Road to Skelcher Road, Yardley Wood**
- **Beeches Road, Perry Barr**

Inspecting strategic culvert structures:

- **Mill Lane, Bartley Green**

- **Perry Brook culvert, Perry Barr**
- **Tyburn Road, Tyburn**
- **Churchill Road, Falcon Lodge**
- **Hill Hook Road, Hill Hook**
- **Hollie Lucas Road, Kings Heath**

Inspection & maintenance work to flood defence assets:

- **Nineveh Road, Hockley**
- **Park Lane, Castle Vale**
- **Kingswood Road, Longbridge**
- **New Road, Rubery**
- **Adams Hill, Bartley Green**
- **The Fordrough, Northfield**
- **Kingsbury Road, Tyburn**
- **Gospel Lane, Acocks Green**
- **Haybrook Drive, Acocks Green**
- **Acheson Road, Yardley Wood**

2.6.3 Works funded by Other Departments

On behalf of Housing:

- **Oberon/ Miranda, Frankley** - inspection & maintenance of flood assets
- **Fisher Close, Frankley** - inspection & maintenance of flood assets
- **Hawthorne Brook, Kingstanding** - Restoring flood channel/culvert capacity

On behalf of Education:

- **Stephens Road, Walmley** - bund in school playing field to mitigate flooding to properties in Stephens Road
- **Broadmeadow School, Kings Norton** – Bunding and associated drainage work

On behalf of Leisure:

- **Alexander Stadium, Perry Barr** - storm water attenuation tanks
- **Spark Brook, Sparkhill** - Restoring flood channel/culvert capacity
- **Kitwell Lane, Kitwell** - Restoring flood channel/culvert capacity
- **Leys Allotments, Longbridge** - Restoring flood channel/culvert capacity
- **Woodlands Park, Bournville** - Restoring flood channel/culvert capacity
- **Perry Park, Perry Barr** - Emergency repair work to culvert collapse on behalf of Leisure.
- **Manor Farm Depot, Northfield** - Flow routing, construction of new drainage system and bunding works to prevent flooding to properties

On behalf of Local Engineering:

- **Sir Johns Road, Selly Park** - surface water flow routing

On behalf of Transportation:

- **Upper Holland Road, Sutton Coldfield** - Restoring flood channel/culvert capacity

On behalf of Highways

- **A38 Sutton Coldfield By-Pass** – routine maintenance of gullies, drainage system and ditch clearances

2.6.4 Major Reservoir Works funded by Leisure

Blackroot Reservoir, Sutton Coldfield - Construction of auxiliary spillway & new penstock for reservoir safety works

Lifford Reservoir, Kings Norton - Maintenance work to spillway

Trittiford Reservoir, Yardley Wood - Construction of auxiliary spillway & flood wall for reservoir safety work

Small Heath Pool, Small Heath - Construction of new penstock and outfall structure

Longmoor Reservoir, Sutton Coldfield - Penstock failure, emergency works to provide & replace existing with new penstock

3. Flood Risk Regulations Duties

The Flood Risk Regulations implement the EU Floods Directive in England. They provide a framework for managing flood risk over a 6 year cycle, comprising:

- preliminary flood risk assessment (PFRA)
- identification of areas of potential significant risk, referred to as flood risk areas (FRAs)
- mapping of flood hazards and risk and
- Flood Risk Management Plans (FRMPs), setting out measures and actions to reduce the risk

Lead Local Flood Authorities (LLFAs) worked with the Environment Agency to publish the first set of FRMPs, covering the 10 river basin districts in England, on 17 March 2016. These plans set out how RMAs are working together, and with communities, to manage flood and coastal risk over the next 6 years up to December 2021.

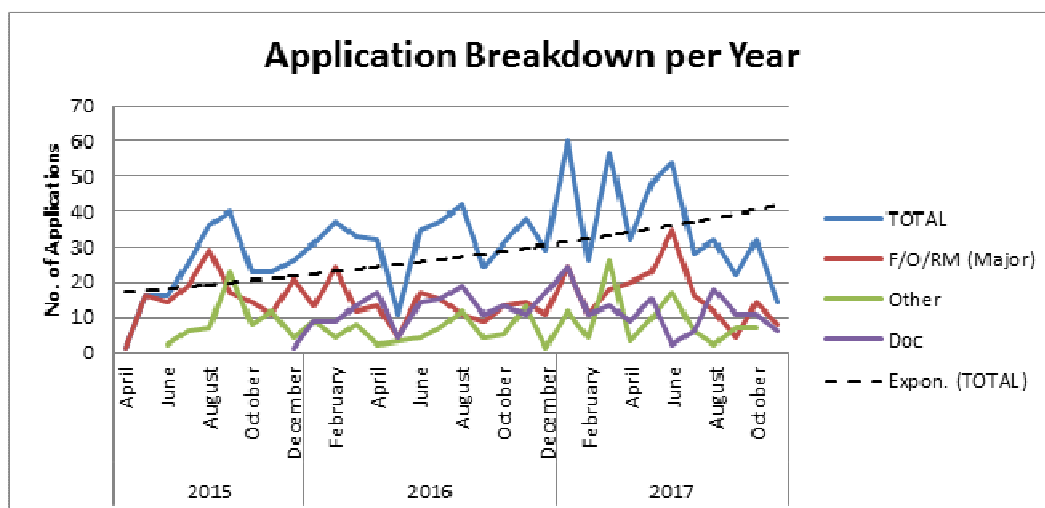
The second round of the cycle commenced in 2017, with an updated PFRA produced in June 2017.

4. Statutory Consultee Role for Planning

The LLFA is a statutory consultee for surface water on major developments (10 dwellings or more; or equivalent non-residential or mixed development). Local planning decisions are expected to ensure that SuDS for the management of runoff are put in place unless demonstrated to be inappropriate and that the sustainable drainage system should be designed to ensure that the maintenance and operation requirements are economically proportionate.

The number of applications, discharge of conditions and pre-app enquiries in 2016 and 2017 is as follows:

Year	Total No. of Applications	Major Planning Applications	Pre-App/General Enquiries	Discharge of Condition
2016	380	156	72	152
2017	405	185	94	126



Since the introduction of the statutory consultation role in April 2015 there has been rising trend in the numbers of applications received. Consultant support is used to fulfil the statutory consultee role and is currently equates to 4 days work per week to meet the demand.

5. Funding

5.1 Funding Streams

Funding for Lead Local Flood Authority

Funding for LLFAs to meet the duties under the FWMA is provided to Birmingham City Council as part of its annual settlement. The money is not ring fenced so individual authorities decide how much of the grant to spend and where.

Revenue Budget

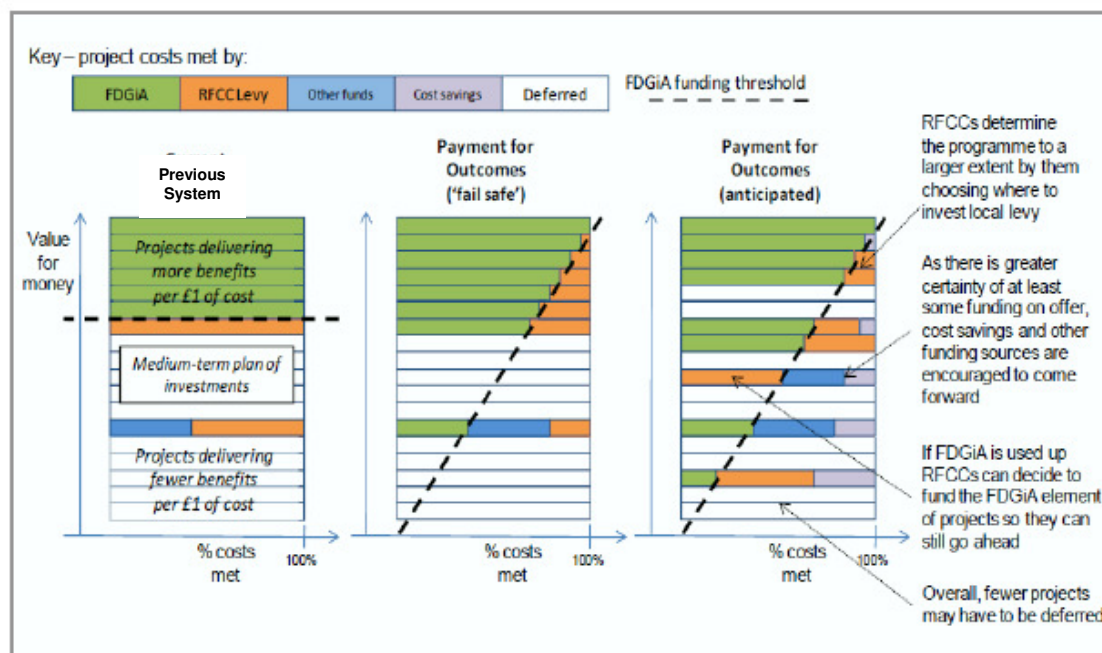
A small budget is provided to support flood management responsibilities, these include land drainage, maintenance of ordinary watercourses and emergency response. This budget has reduced over recent years in line with City Council budget cuts.

Flood Defence Grant in Aid - Partnership Funding

In the past, flood risk management schemes were generally funded by central government through the Flood Defence Grant in Aid (FDGIA) process which allocated funding to projects nationally based on cost/benefit prioritisation. This led to only schemes that scored highly in terms of benefits outweighing costs being taken forward.

From 2012 a revised approach has been undertaken. Funding levels for each scheme, paid by central government as FDGIA, relate directly to the benefits the scheme delivers, including number of households protected, damages prevented, deprivation, environmental benefits and amenity improvement. If the FDGIA does not cover the cost of the scheme, in order to proceed

the scheme cost can be reduced and/or local contributions would need to be found. This approach is outline below.



Local Levy

The City Council pays levies to the Environment Agency as Local Levy. The Local Levy is raised by the Regional Flood and Coastal Committee (Birmingham sits within the Trent RFCC) and is used as a locally-raised source of income to fund projects within the Trent region. It can be used to fund projects that might not be eligible for national funding or as a regional contribution to scheme costs under the partnership funding approach.

5.2 Funding Pressures

Year on year budget cuts make it increasingly difficult to fulfil the duties under the Flood and Water Management Act, carry out the statutory consultee role for planning and undertake maintenance of flood risk management assets and provide emergency response.

In 2013/14 a total budget of £966,000 (including salaries, charges, overheads, maintenance works and new duties) was available, in 2016/17 the total budget has decreased to £644,000.

The Partnership Funding process has resulted in a range of funding sources being required to promote flood risk management schemes. For some schemes this includes an element of FDGiA together with an element of Local Levy but for many schemes this still leaves a shortfall which needs to be provided as third party contributions. This approach puts significant pressure on limited resources to foster agreements and collaborations to facilitate schemes. In order for these schemes to progress local contributions or contributions from beneficiaries of the schemes need to be sought.

Aligning funding sources and facilitating the promotion of projects as well as seeking new funding opportunities continues to be a major priority for the Strategic Flood Risk Management Board going forward.

Ref	Linked event	Date	Street	Area	Detail	Responsible Organisation	Progress	Action Undertaken past 6 months	Action to be undertaken next 6 months
2012-003	2016-016	28-Jun-12	Queens Park	Harborne	Flooding due to runoff from parkland, properties flooded	BCG - Leisure		Construction commenced on site	Anticipated completion of scheme March 2017
2012-004		28-Jun-12	Fashoda Road, Cecil Road, Hobson Road and Kitchener Road	Selly Park	Spoke to John Clayton following issue of flood alert, took the decision to deploy sandbags. Report from contractor deploying sandbags that there was bad flooding and further sandbags were required. Engineer sent to inspect, reported flooding coming out of bank upstream of Dogpool Lane bridge, flowing through industrial estate onto Dogpool Lane and flooding down Fashoda Road towards Kitchener Road. Blocked gullies Fashoda Road and Cecil Road	EA		Flood Defence functional, currently undertaking landscaping	Official opening January 2018
2012-006		28-Jun-12	Brookvale Road/Witton Road	Witton	Blown manhole cover outside Yew Tree PH Brookvale Road and localised highway flooding as a result.	STW		Sewer cleared, Identified as a highway flooding issue and therefore a long term priority.	
2012-010		28-Jun-12	Pensby Close		Advised by Irene De Boo (Museum Services) that properties may have flooded.	BCG - Housing		Works Completed	
2012-011		28-Jun-12	Nestfield Close	West Heath	Flooding to 2 properties, request for sandbags	BCG - Highways		Works Completed	
2012-019	2016-015	28-Jun-12	Elford Road	Harborne	Flooding to front and rear of properties	EA		Potential scheme identifies incorporating storage on Stonehouse Brook in Semeleys Park . On hold due to other projects having funding	Explore opportunities as part of catchment wide study of Bourn Brook
2012-023		28-Jun-12	Greenacres	Bartley Green	Call from EA to say watercourse had broke its banks, garden of property was flooded and may enter property	EA		Potential scheme identifies incorporating storage on Stonehouse Brook in Semeleys Park . On hold due to other projects having funding	Explore opportunities as part of catchment wide study of Bourn Brook
2012-024	2016-012	28-Jun-12	Middleacre Road	Bartley Green	Flooding from Mill Lane grills	EA		Potential scheme identifies incorporating storage on Stonehouse Brook in Semeleys Park . On hold due to other projects having funding	Explore opportunities as part of catchment wide study of Bourn Brook
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2012-041	2016-019	24-Sep-12	Fourth Avenue	Selly Park	Flooding from blocked gullies	STW	EA	STW cleansing complete. Potential scheme identified. EA looking at possible highway realignment to direct runoff towards River Rea.	EA commits to include STW update EA to work with community on re-establishment of FLAG

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2012-006		24-Sep-12	Brookvale Road/Tame Road	Witton	EA warning received for gauge at Brookvale Road reached 2.6m and rising.	EA		Phase 1 complete (raised walls at Witton).	Phase 2, storage in Sandwell Valley, to commence on site Spring 2018
2012-046		25-Nov-12	Foremans Road/Percy Road	Sparkhill	River burst its banks, Allotments flooded, Properties at risk of flooding	BCC - Highways		EA study has concluded that a fluvial only scheme isn't cost beneficial.	Meeting to be held with BCC/EA to discuss way forward.
2013-001		23-Jul-13	Slade Road	Erdington	Internal flooding to property (1-2 inches), neighbour at 5 Hillside Road also affected.	BCC - Highways		Investigation undertaken, decision made that PLR is only viable option.	PLR surveys, business case, construction Discussion to be held with STW over potential contribution.
2013-002		23-Jul-13	Spring Lane	Erdington	Internal flooding (300mm), properties lower than the road.	BCC - Highways		Additional gullies installed by Amey following resurfacing of the carriageway which had affected the camber and hence runoff. No further reports of flooding have been received.	
2013-003		23-Jul-13	College Road	King Standing	Report of internal flooding due to bow waves from the road. Additional report of internal flooding to 638 College Road as a result of Warren Brook breaking its banks.	BCC - Waste		All gullies functioning correctly, Amey suggest that street cleansing is an issue in this location.	Refer to fleet and waste management for a response
2013-012		23-Jul-13	Slade Road	Erdington	Internal flooding to property and neighbouring properties.	BCC - Highways		Investigation undertaken, decision made that PLR is only viable option.	PLR surveys, business case, construction Discussion to be held with STW over potential contribution.
2013-013		29-Jul-13	Glover Road	Sutton Coldfield	Flooding of highway	STW		None	Amey to provide details to STW
2016-001		08-Jun-16	Oscott School Lane	Oscott	Internal flooding to 2 properties	BCC - LLFA & Leisure		None	Look at potential for mitigation works/funding opportunities
2016-002		08-Jun-16	Sivercroft Avenue	Handsworth Wood	Internal flooding to 6 properties with further flooding to gardens and highways	BCC - LLFA & Leisure		Removal of sediment and vegetation from sections of Hilltop Brook. Submerged outfalls cleaned. STW initial investigation undertaken.	Look at potential for mitigation works/funding opportunities
2016-003		08-Jun-16	Grestone Avenue and Sunningdale Close	Handsworth Wood	Internal flooding to 3 properties in Grestone Avenue and Sunningdale close, garden and highway flooding in Craythorne Avenue	BCC - LLFA & Leisure		Removal of localised blockages and accumulations of silt in Hilltop Brook. STW initial investigation undertaken.	Look at potential for mitigation works/funding opportunities
2016-004		08-Jun-16	Beeches Road, Bradfield Road, Curbar Road, Grindleford Road, Haddon Road, Hassop Road, Sterndale Road, Thornbridge Avenue, Trehurst Avenue and Turnberry Road	Perry Beeches	Internal flooding to 44 properties, extensive garden and highway flooding affecting 20 roads	BCC - LLFA & Leisure	High ways Engla nd	Silt removed from culvert between Beeches Road and Hassop Road. Feasibility study undertaken to understand flooding mechanism and develop mitigation options. Drainage issues with M6 drainage corrected. All highway drainage cleansed and checked. STW initial investigation undertaken.	Focus group to be held with community to assess how representative modelling is. Further discussions to be held with STW on potential partnership schemes.

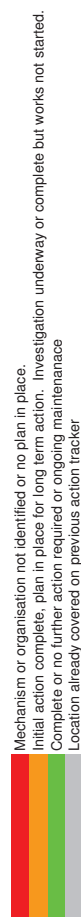
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2016-005		08-Jun-16	Old Walsall Road	Hamstead	Internal flooding to 1 property, including highway and garden flooding.	BCC - LLFA & Leisure		None	Look at potential for mitigation works/funding opportunities
2016-006		08-Jun-16	Highcroft Drive	Four Oaks	Internal flooding to 1 property. Additional highway and garden flooding in Knighton Drive and Park View Road	BCC - LLFA STW		STW initial investigation undertaken Additional highway gully installed.	Look at potential for mitigation works/funding opportunities
2016-007		08-Jun-16	Willmott Road, Marpit Lane and Slade Road	Roughley	Internal flooding to 8 properties. Flooding to highway and gardens near Weaver Court.	BCC - LLFA STW		All highway drainage cleansed and checked. STW initial investigation undertaken.	Explore potential flood mitigation measures
2016-008		08-Jun-16	Church Road	Perry Barr	Internal flooding to 2 properties.	BCC - LLFA & Leisure	STW EA	All highway drainage cleansed and checked. STW initial investigation undertaken.	Look at potential for mitigation works/funding opportunities EA to investigate issues with River Tame flood wall.
2016-009		10-Jun-16	Cremorne Road and Mere Green Road	Mere Green	Internal flooding to 5 properties	BCC - LLFA STW		All highway drainage cleansed and checked. STW initial investigation undertaken.	Look at potential for mitigation works/funding opportunities
2016-010		16-Jun-16	Dainton Grove	Bartley Green	Internal flooding to 1 property	BCC - Housing		None	Explore potential flood mitigation measures
2016-011		16-Jun-16	Plough Avenue, Bean Croft, Square Close, Tibbatts Close, Ox Leasow, Warston Avenue, County Close, Sommerfield Road, Rush Piece and Gravel Bank	Woodgate	Internal; property flooding to 38 properties.	BCC - LLFA STW		Feasibility study undertaken to understand flooding mechanism and develop mitigation options. All highway drainage cleansed and checked. STW initial investigation undertaken.	Explore opportunities as part of catchment wide study of Bourn Brook
2016-012	2012-024 2012-025	16-Jun-16	Middle Acre Road Rush Green	Bartley Green	Internal property flooding to 4 properties	BCC - LLFA & Leisure	EA	Bartley Brook culvert inspected Bartley Brook surveyed and incorporated into river model	Explore opportunities as part of catchment wide study of Bourn Brook
2016-013		16-Jun-16	Canhampton Road	Falcon Lodge	Internal flooding to 2 properties	BCC - LLFA & Housing	STW	Gullies cleared and inspected. Trash screen on Churchill Brook Cleared STW initial investigation undertaken.	Explore potential flood mitigation measures
2016-014		16-Jun-16	Bristol Road	Selly Oak	Internal flooding to 2 properties	BCC - EA LLFA	Amey STW	Environment Agency potential scheme identified. Amey and STW investigation undertaken. Amey have identified cross connection issues between sewers and highway drainage.	Continue to explore options for funding towards Bourn Brook Scheme. Amey to provide plans of drainage to STW for investigation
2016-015	2012-019	16-Jun-16	Osmaiston Road Swinford Road Elford Road Reservoir Road Quinton Road Lismore Drive	Harborne	Internal flooding to 33 properties	BCC - EA LLFA	Amey STW	Highway drainage checked, cleared and jetted Harts Green Brook culverted checked and cleared Debris Clearance on bridges and weir structures on Bourn Brook	Explore opportunities as part of catchment wide study of Bourn Brook
2016-016	2012-003	16-Jun-16	Queens Court Harts Green Road	Harborne	Internal flooding to 6 properties	BCC - LLFA & Leisure	Amey STW	Flood alleviation scheme to alleviate flooding from park on site, due for completion March 2019.Land drainage installed by Amey in Harts Green Road to pick up water coming from springs.	Explore impact of scheme on sewer capacity at Harts Green Road.

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2016-017		16-Jul-16	Pretoria Road	Bordesley Green	Internal flooding to 2 properties	BCC - LLFA Amey		All highway drainage cleansed and checked.	Explore potential flood mitigation measures
2016-018		16-Jun-16	Alum Rock Road	Alum Rock	Internal flooding to 2 properties	BCC - LLFA Amey		All highway drainage cleansed and checked.	
2016-019	2012-041	16-Jun-16	Pershore Road Riverside Drive Sir Johns Road Third Avenue Fourth Avenue	Selly Park North	Internal flooding to 33 properties	BCC - STW EA LLFA		Boundary wall modified. Flood alleviation scheme commenced by Environment Agency. STW cleansing complete. Potential scheme identified. Amey looking at possible highway realignment to direct runoff towards River Rea.	EA scheme due to complete Summer 2017 EA comms to include STW update EA to work with community on re-establishment of FLAG
2016-020		16-Jun-16	Fredas Grove	Harborne	Internal flooding to 1 property	BCC - LLFA Harborne Golf Club		Discussions held with Harborne Golf Club	Explore opportunities as part of catchment wide study of Bourn Brook
2016-021		16-Jun-16	Kingfisher Way	Bournville	Internal flooding to 1 property	Bournville Village Trust		Two highway gullies installed to assist in collecting runoff	Explore potential to manage surface water runoff in open space
2016-022		16-Jun-16	Eastern Road	Selly Oak	Internal Flooding to 2 properties	BCC - LLFA			Explore potential for flood mitigation
2016-023	2012-031	16-Jun-16	Ridgmont Croft Overdale Road Firsby Road	Quniton	Internal Flooding to 5 properties	BCC - EA Amey STW LLFA		Reviewed PLR scheme at Overdale Road, unable to secure further funding STW initial investigation undertaken.	Explore opportunities as part of catchment wide study of Bourn Brook

Organisation



Progress



FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT ANNUAL REPORT

Kerry Whitehouse
Interim Flood Risk Manager
Birmingham City Council
18 January 2018

Update in relation to:

- Flood and Water Management Act:
 - Local Flood Risk Management Strategy
 - Cooperation with Other Authorities
 - Investigation of Flooding Incidents
 - Works to Manage Flood Risk
- Flood Risk Regulations
- Statutory Consultee Role
- Funding

Local Flood Risk Management Strategy

Birmingham City Council has a duty to maintain, apply and monitor the application of a Strategy in its area.

Aim is to ensure that local flood risk is understood and managed in a coordinated way in Birmingham.

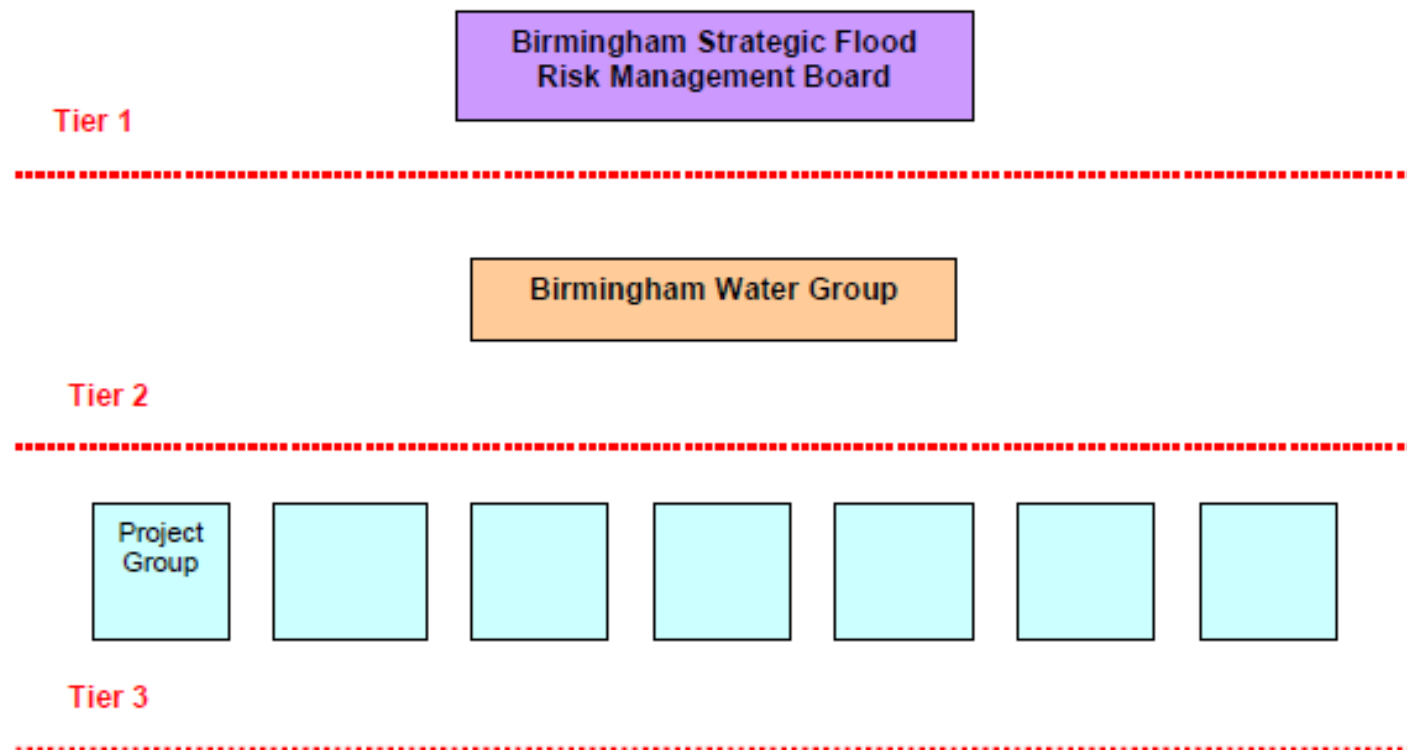
The strategy sets out seven objectives and twenty policies in relation to:

- Who does what
- The type and level of flood risk
- Who manages flood defences
- How flood events are managed and investigated
- How flood risk schemes are prioritised
- Reducing the impact of development; and
- Considering the environment

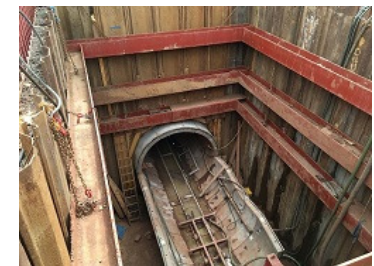
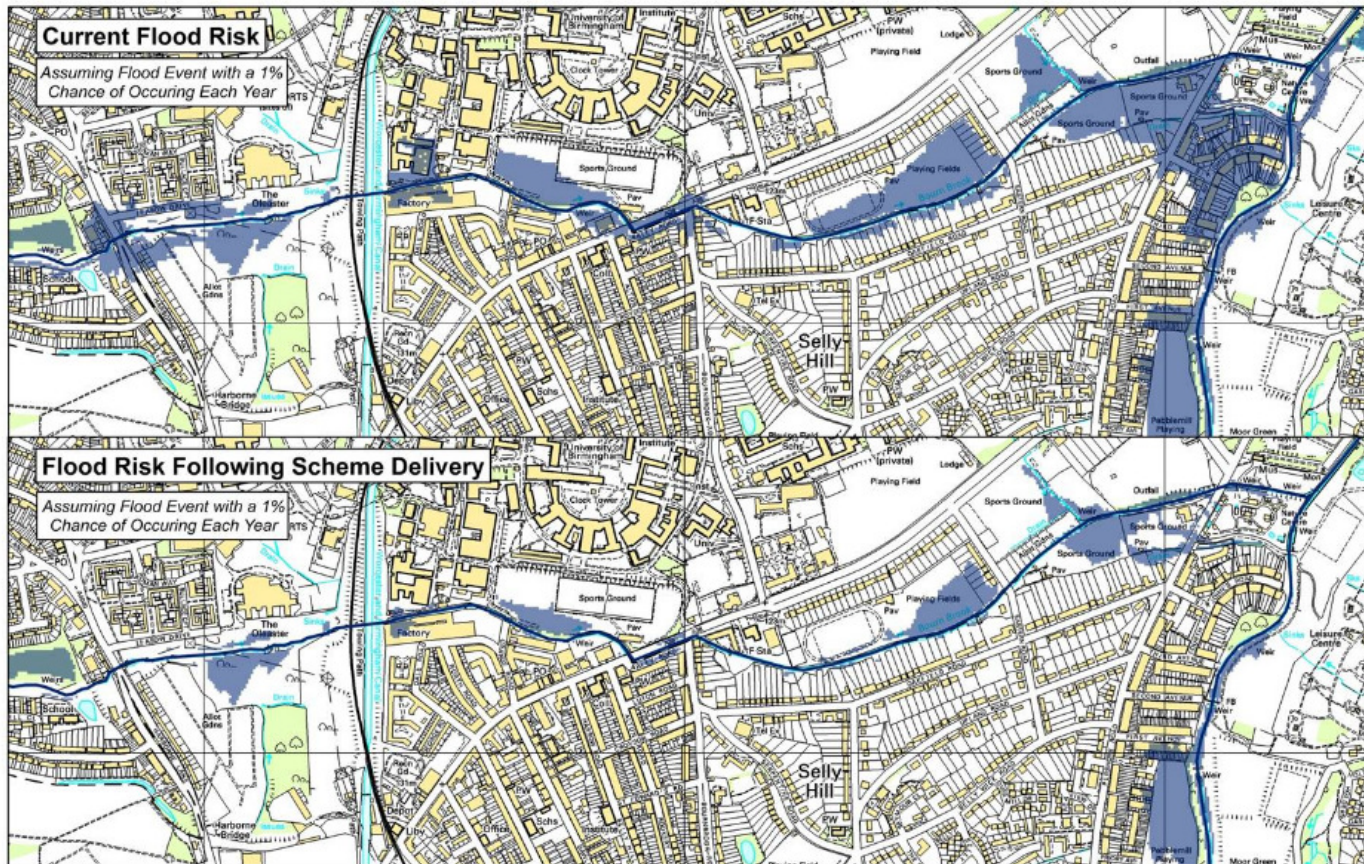
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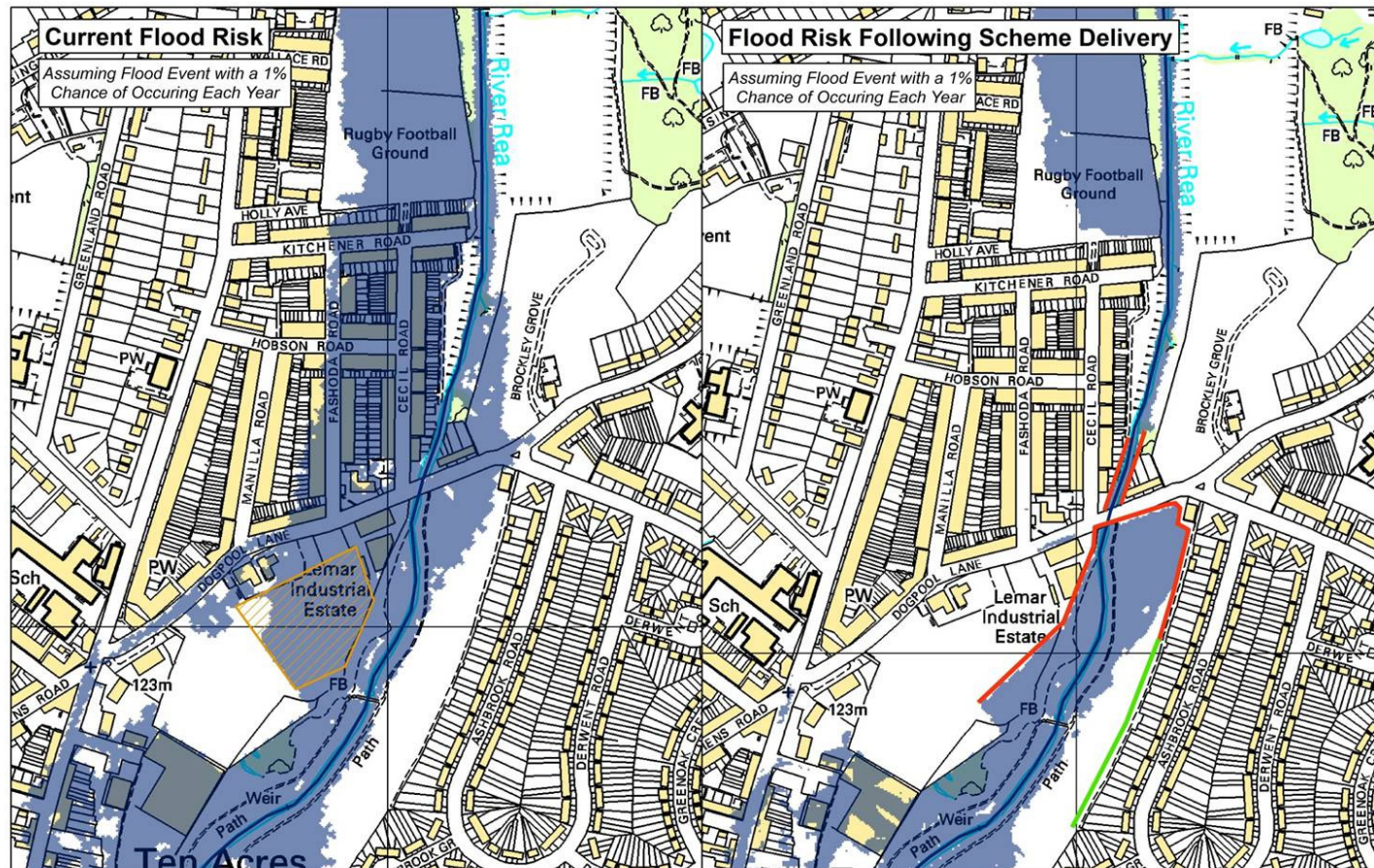
Cooperation with other Flood Risk Management Authorities



Selly Park North

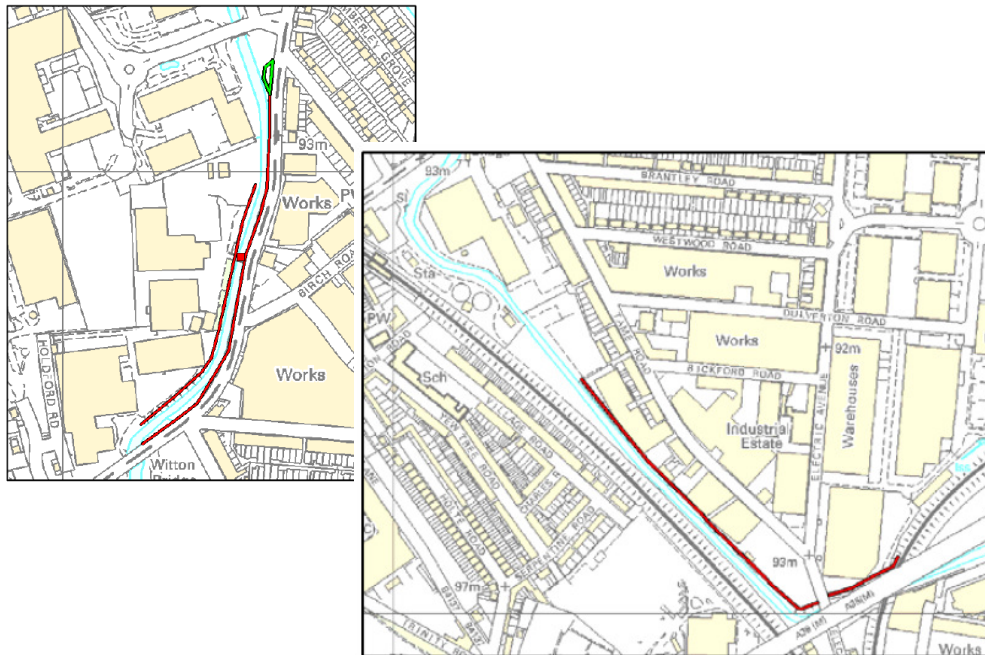


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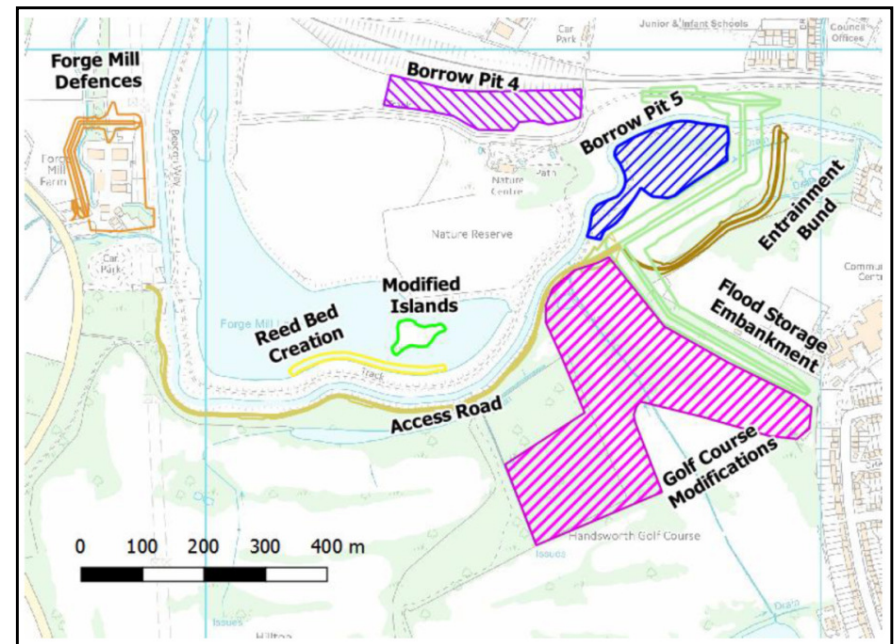


Perry Barr and Witton

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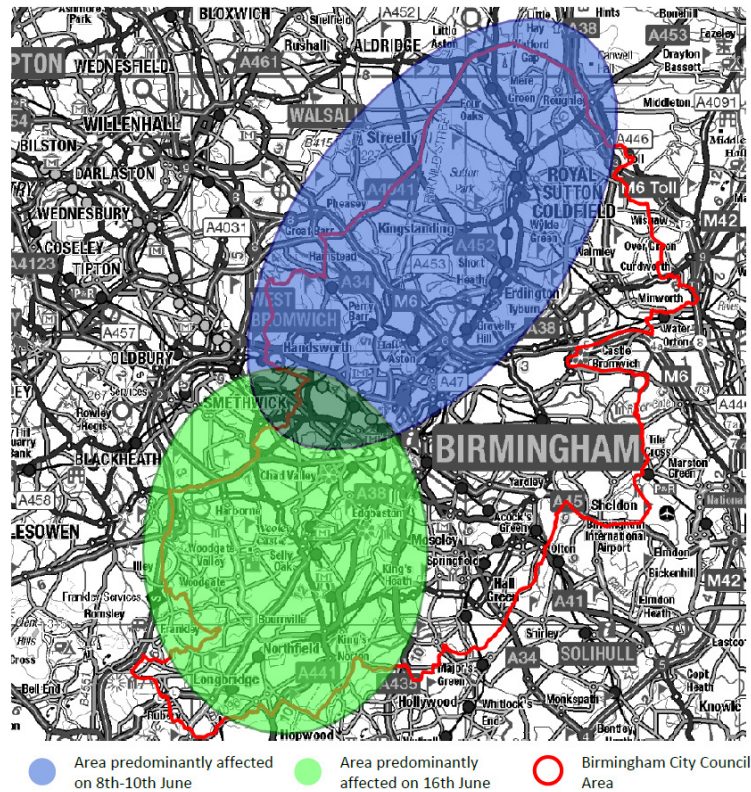


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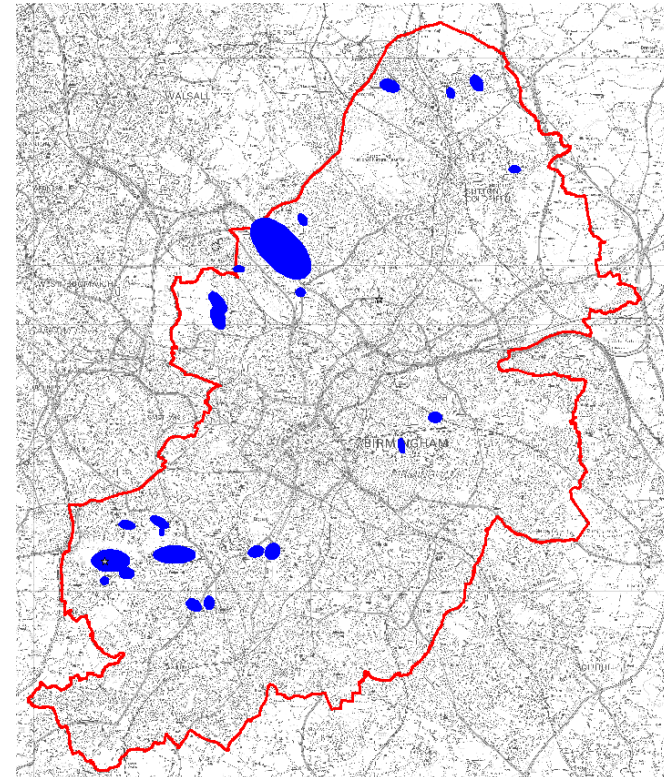


Flood Events

Significant storms June 2016



23 Areas with Internal Flooding



Section 19 Investigation Report



Report outlines:

- Source of the flooding
- Flooding mechanism
- Responsible parties
- Investigation undertaken
- Actions undertaken
- Future actions

Flooded Sites Action Tracker

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2012-004		28-Jun-12	Fashoda Road, Cecil Road, Hobson Road and Kitchener Road	Selly Park	Spoke to John Clayton following issue of flood alert, took the decision to deploy sandbags. Report from contractor deploying sandbags that there was bad flooding and further sandbags were required. Engineer sent to inspect, reported flooding coming out of bank upstream of Dogpool Lane bridge, flowing through industrial estate onto Dogpool Lane and flooding down Fashoda Road towards Kitchener Road. Blocked gullies Fashoda Road and Cecil Road	EA		Flood Defence functional, currently undertaking landscaping	Official opening January 2018
2012-006		28-Jun-12	Brookvale Road/Witton Road	Witton	Blown manhole cover outside Yew Tree PH Brookvale Road and localised highway flooding as a result.	STW		Sewer cleared, identified as a highway flooding issue and therefore a long term priority.	
2012-010		28-Jun-12	Pensby Close		Advised by Irene De Boo (Museum Services) that properties may have flooded.	BCC - Housing		Works Completed	
2012-011		28-Jun-12	Nesfield Close	West Heath	Flooding to 2 properties, request for sandbags	BCC - Highways		Works Completed	
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Works to Manage Flood Risk

Grant Funded Property Protection

Types of Work:

- Property Level Resilience
- Community Protection



Works Funded by Flood Risk Management Revenue Budget

Types of Work:

- Grill clearance
- Sandbag Distribution
- Restoring flood channel/culvert capacity
- Inspecting strategic culvert structures
- Inspection & maintenance work to flood defence assets



Works Funded by Other Departments

On behalf of:

- Housing
- Education
- Leisure (including Major Reservoir Works)
- Local Engineering
- Transportation
- Highways



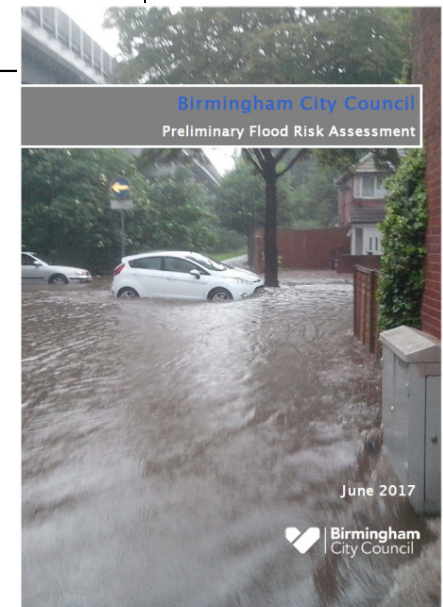
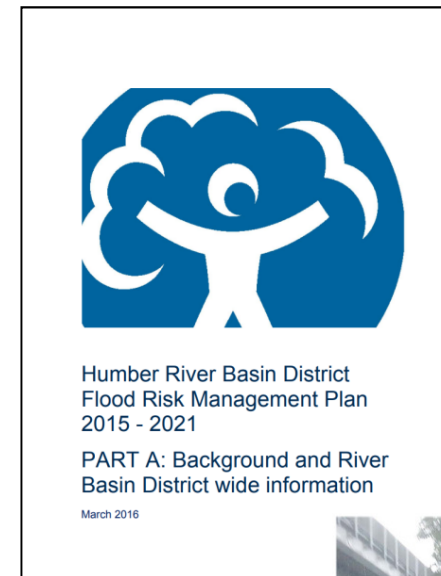
Flood Risk Regulations

6 year cycle, comprising:

- Preliminary Flood Risk Assessment (PFRA)
- Mapping of flood hazards and risk
- Flood Risk Management Plans (FRMPs)

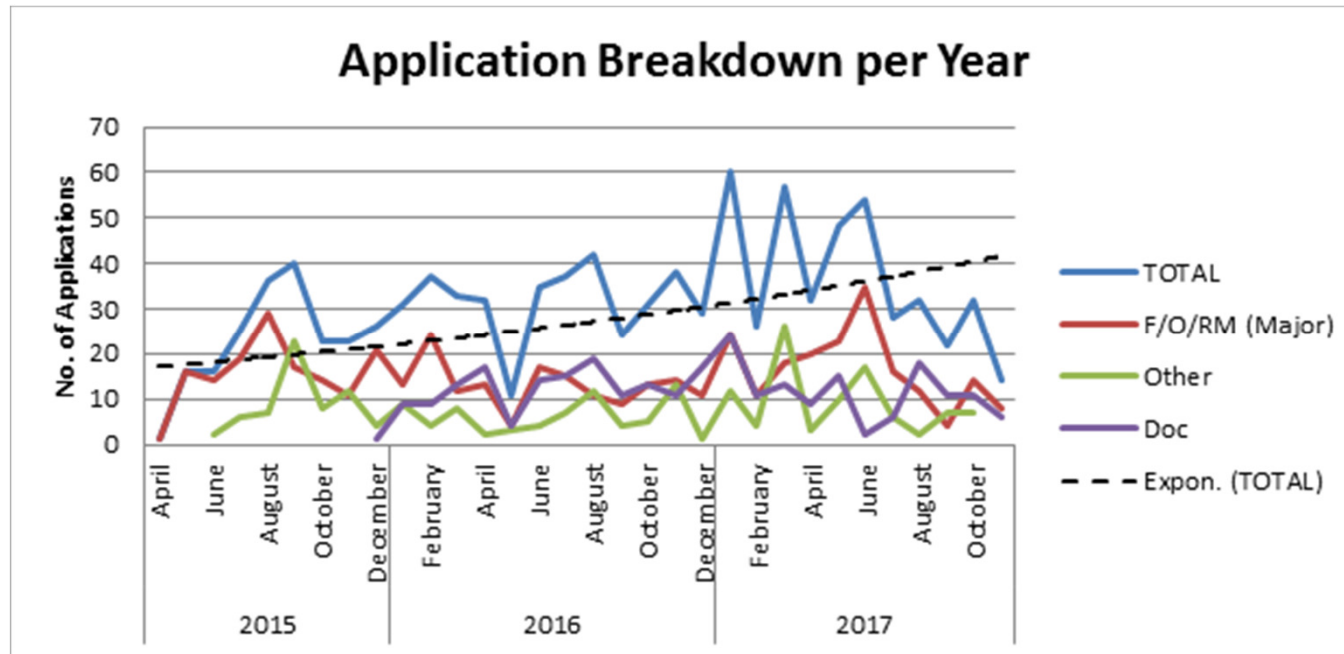
Lead Local Flood Authorities worked with the Environment Agency to publish the first set of FRMPs, covering the 10 river basin districts in England, in March 2016.

The second round of the cycle commenced in 2017, with an updated PFRA produced in June 2017.



Statutory Consultee Role

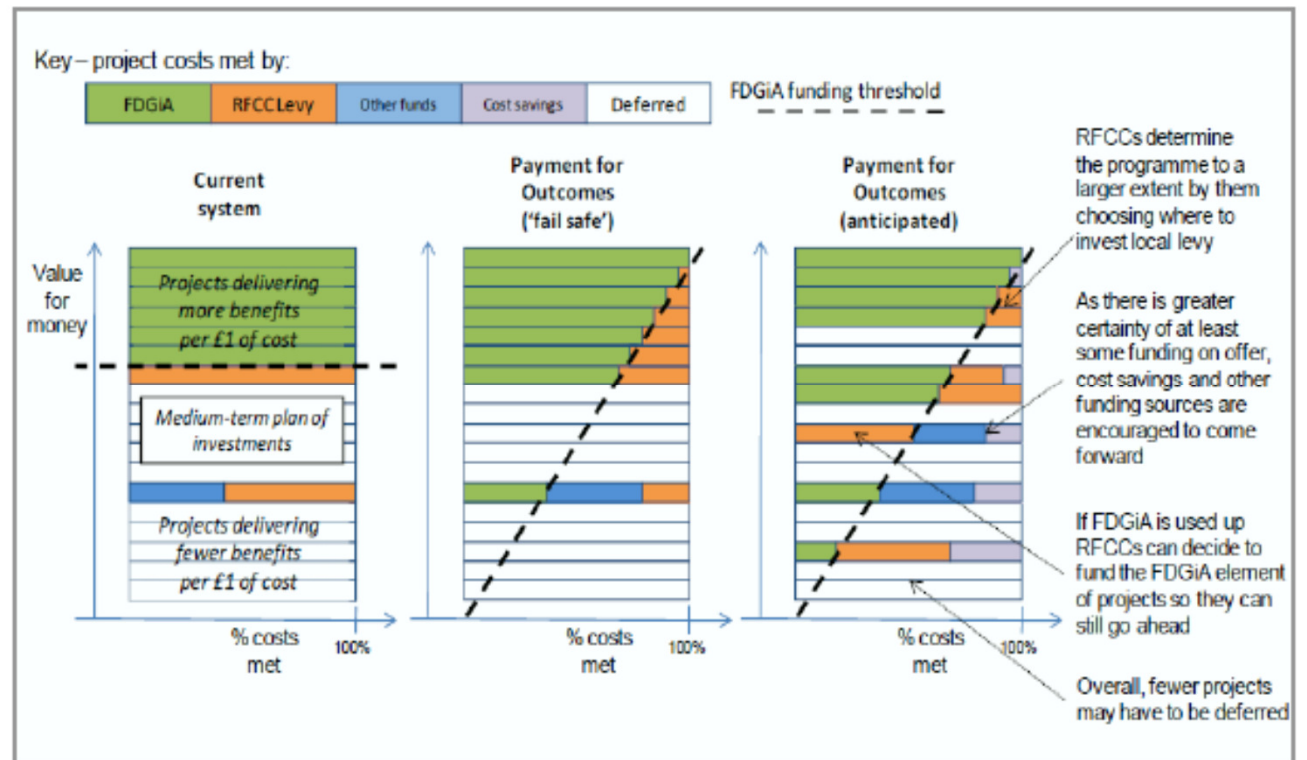
The LLFA is a statutory consultee for surface water on major developments (10 dwellings or more; or equivalent non-residential or mixed development).



Funding

Funding Streams:

- Funding for Lead Local Flood Authority
- Revenue Budget
- Flood Defence Grant in Aid - Partnership Funding
- Local Levy



£49 million has been allocated to **Birmingham** through GiA from central government and Local Levy within the 6 year programme for **new flood schemes**.



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Welcome to West Midlands Trains

Jan Chaudhry-van der Velde
Managing Director



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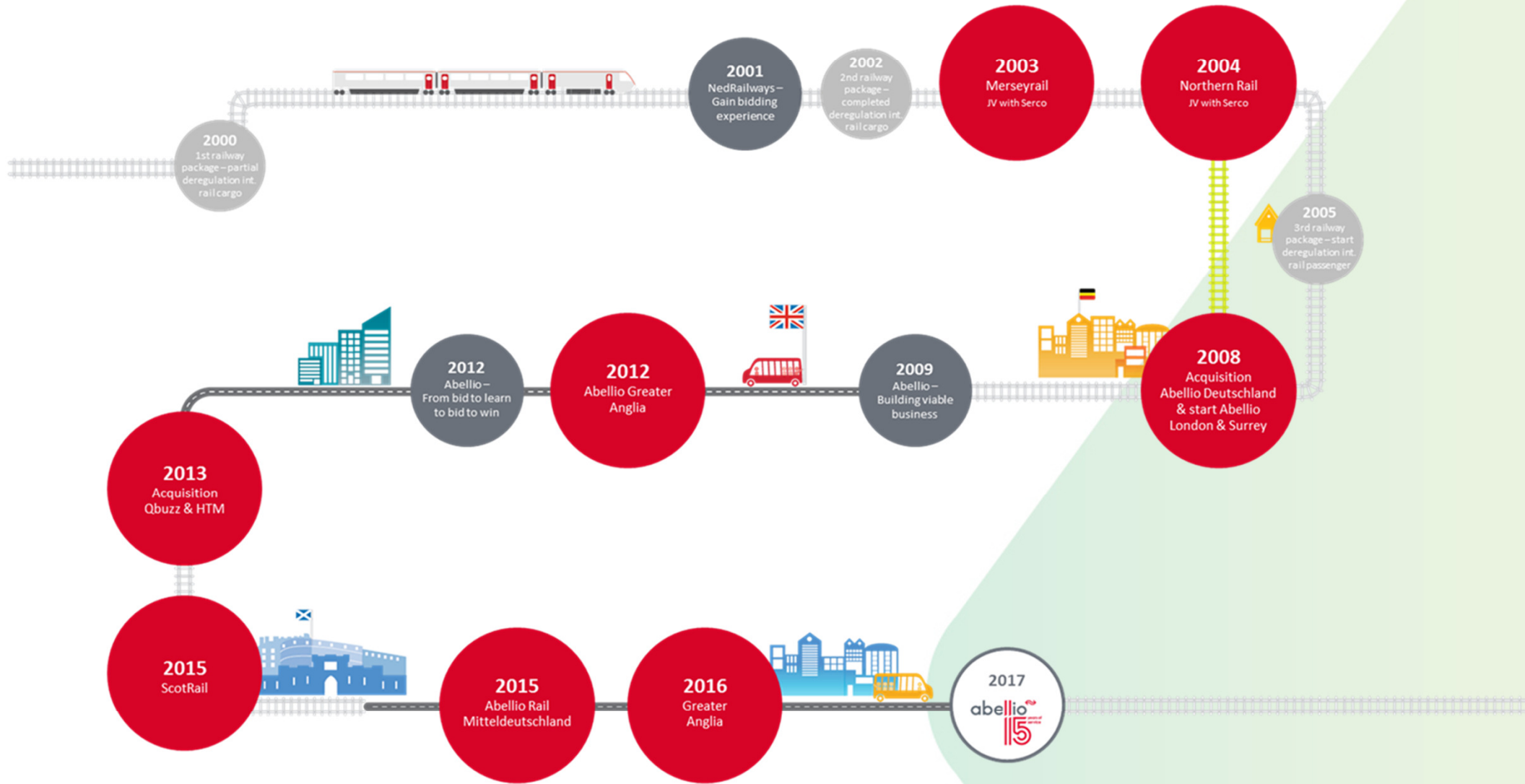
FAQs

- Who is Abellio?
- What is West Midlands Trains?
- Why two brands?
- What will WMT bring?
- How can we work together?

Who is Abellio?



Who is Abellio?



Abellio in the UK



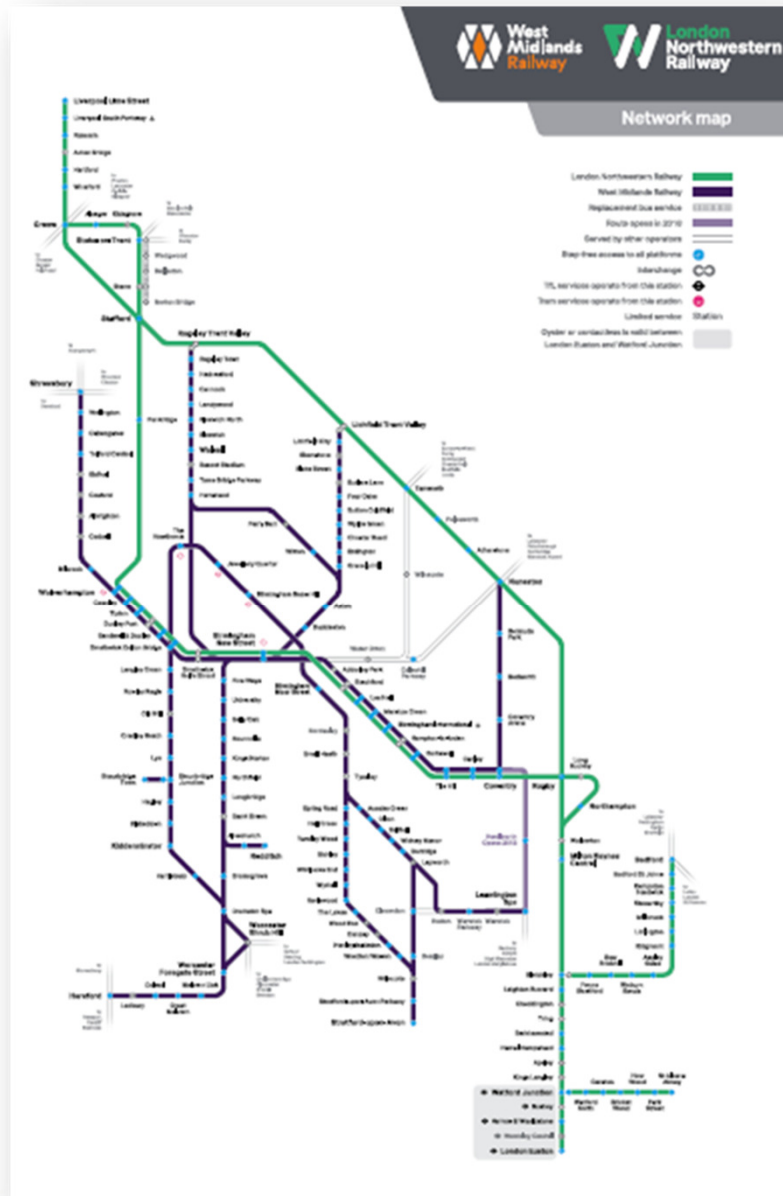
Who is West Midlands Trains?

- Two Brands – One Company



Operated by West Midlands Trains

Why two brands?

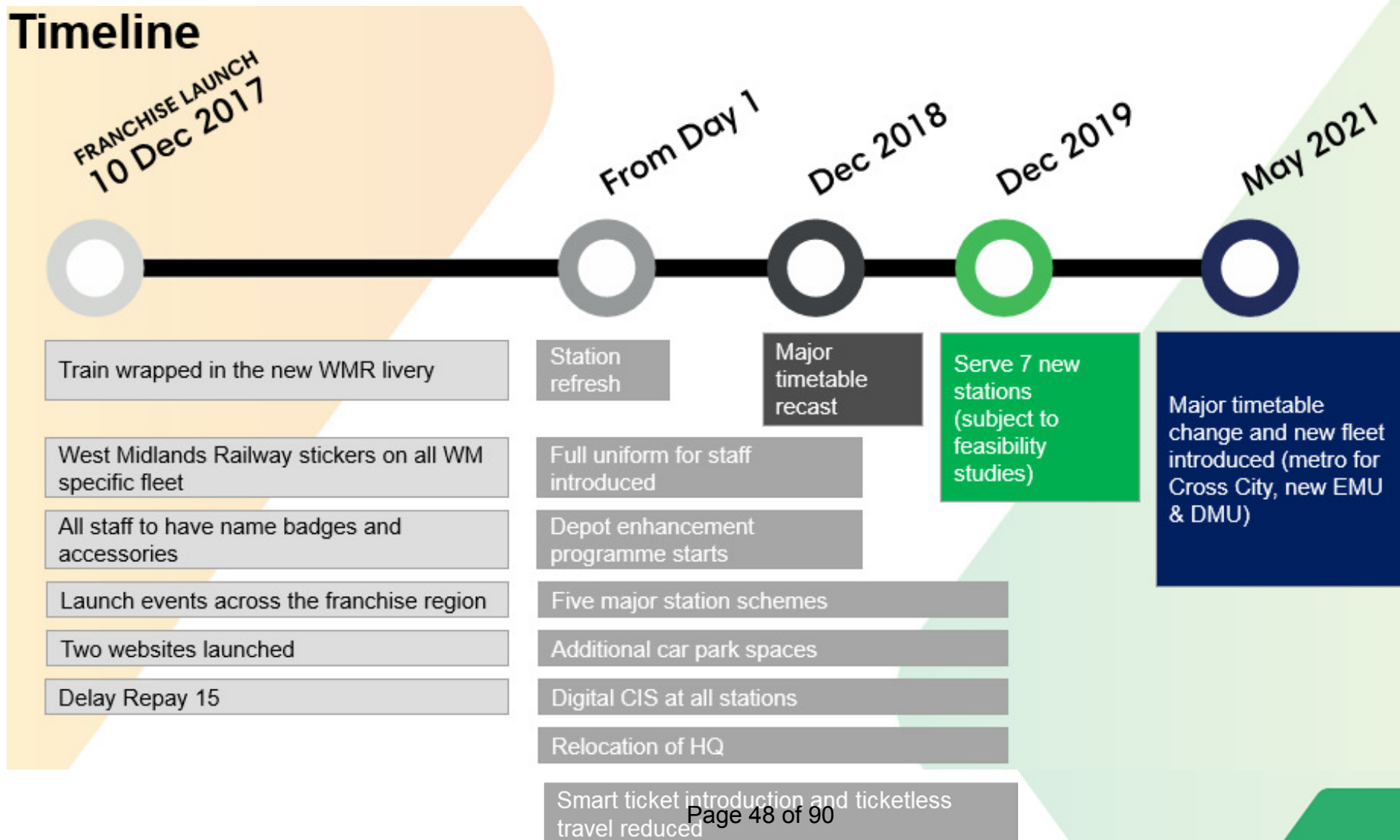


- Two Separable Business Units
- Supports devolution agenda
- Greater focus on West Midlands identity
- Two networks designed to deliver investment, progress & prosperity

What will WMT bring to the West Midlands?

£1 billion investment

Timeline



What will WMT bring – capacity

December 2018

- 172/0 introduced, 8x2-car – with accessible toilet.
- 230/2* introduced Bedford – Bletchley, 3x2-car.
- A new timetable to improve performance, provide through services to increase our markets and introduce more frequent trains to existing destinations.

December 2019

- 350/4 introduced, 10x4-car.
- More capacity to run longer trains and increase frequencies of some more services.

December 2020

- 350/2 removed.
- New EMUs introduced, 45x4-car (110mph) and 36x3-car (90mph).
- New potential services to 7 new stations.

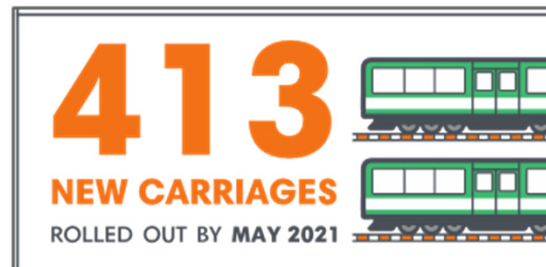
May 2021

- All 15x and 170 removed.
- New DMUs introduced, 12x2-car and 14x4-car.
- Saturday levels of service introduced on Sundays.



What will WMT bring – capacity

New timetables, new trains, new investment





What will WMT bring – new services

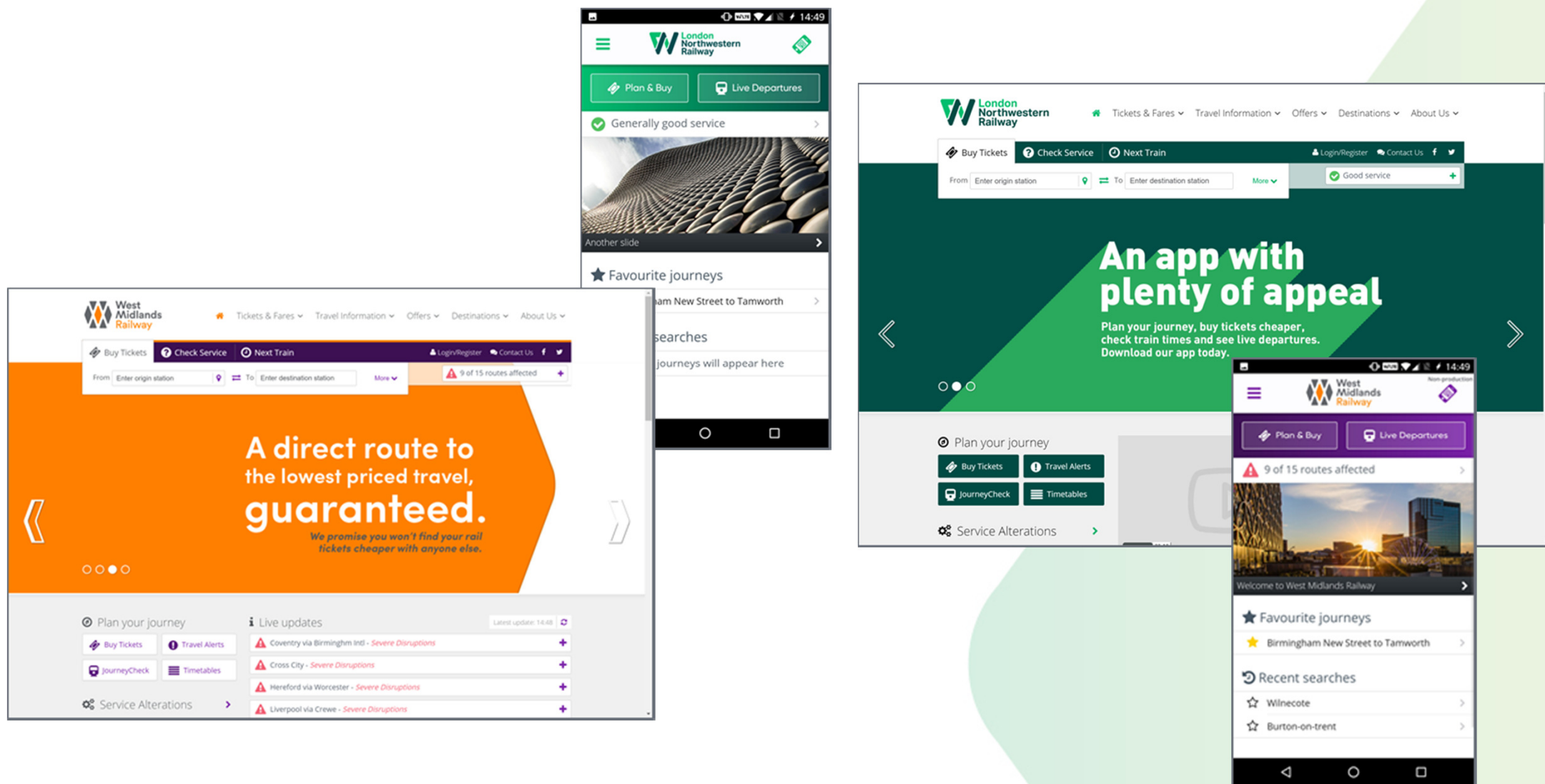
From December 2018 we will:

- run new through services between London and Birmingham International to Liverpool and Walsall and between Nuneaton, Coventry and Leamington Spa
- introduce additional services between Shrewsbury and Birmingham and Wolverhampton and Crewe
- a new hourly Sunday service between Shrewsbury and B'ham
- additional earlier and later services to Hereford, Crewe, Northampton, Liverpool.
- as part of a major timetable recast that will reduce congestion & delays at Birmingham New St

What will WMT bring – customer experience

 <p>DEEP CLEAN FOR ALL STATIONS</p>	<p>SERVICE QUALITY REGIME</p>	<p>OVER £60M INVESTED IN STATION IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDING:</p>
 <p>NEW VENDING MACHINES</p>	<p>WILL FOCUS ON IMPROVING THE PRESENTATION OF TRAINS & STATIONS IN THE WEST MIDLANDS REGION AND ON OUR 2 BRANCH LINES</p>	<p>NEW AND IMPROVED CCTV</p> <p>1,050 ADDITIONAL CAR PARKING SPACES</p>
<p>NEW STAKEHOLDER EQUALITY GROUP TO MAKE THE RAILWAY MORE ACCESSIBLE FOR CUSTOMERS WITH EXTRA NEEDS</p>	<p>ONLINE CUSTOMER PANEL WILL ENABLE THOUSANDS OF CUSTOMERS TO HELP US PROGRESS</p>	<p>2,760 EXTRA BICYCLE SPACES</p> <p>DIGITAL SCREENS GIVING ACCURATE DISRUPTION ADVICE AND LIVE TRAIN LOADING INFORMATION</p>

What will WMT bring – ticketing & fares



What will WMT bring – community

FREE
RAIL TICKETS



FOR LONG-TERM
UNEMPLOYED
AND HIGHER
EDUCATION
GRADUATES



TO HELP THEM WHEN
JOB-HUNTING



FUND

FOR HELPING COMMUNITY
GROUPS REFURBISH
DISUSED RAILWAY
BUILDINGS



SO THEY CAN BE USED BY THE

LOCAL
COMMUNITY

COMMUNITY ART SCHEME

What will WMT bring – innovation



£2.25m
INNOVATION
FUND

£87k



SME
GRANT
FUND

WILDLIFE
 **TRUST**

BIODIVERSITY BENCHMARK



ISO14064
IN 2 YEARS

How can we work together?

- West Midlands Rail
 - Transport for West Midlands
 - West Midlands Station Alliance
 - Dedicated WMT director for West Midlands
 - WM Mayor's office
 - West Midlands marketing
 - Joint Timetable consultation
-
- How do you want to work with us?

Thank You



Rail Renaissance for the West Midlands

Tom Painter, Head of Franchise Management



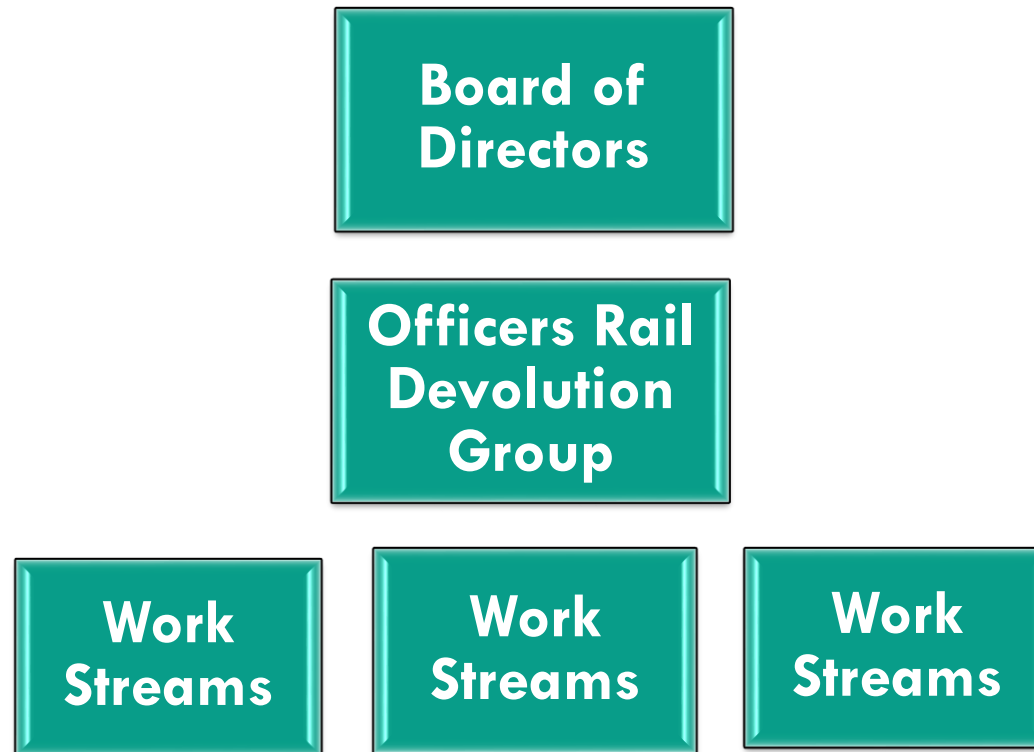
Who is West Midlands Rail Ltd?



- Partnership of local authorities:
 - WMCA, met districts, Shire and Unitary LTAs
 - Local democratic accountability at its heart
 - Directors are senior local politicians
 - Small officer exec team
- Exists to provide local leadership for rail in the region



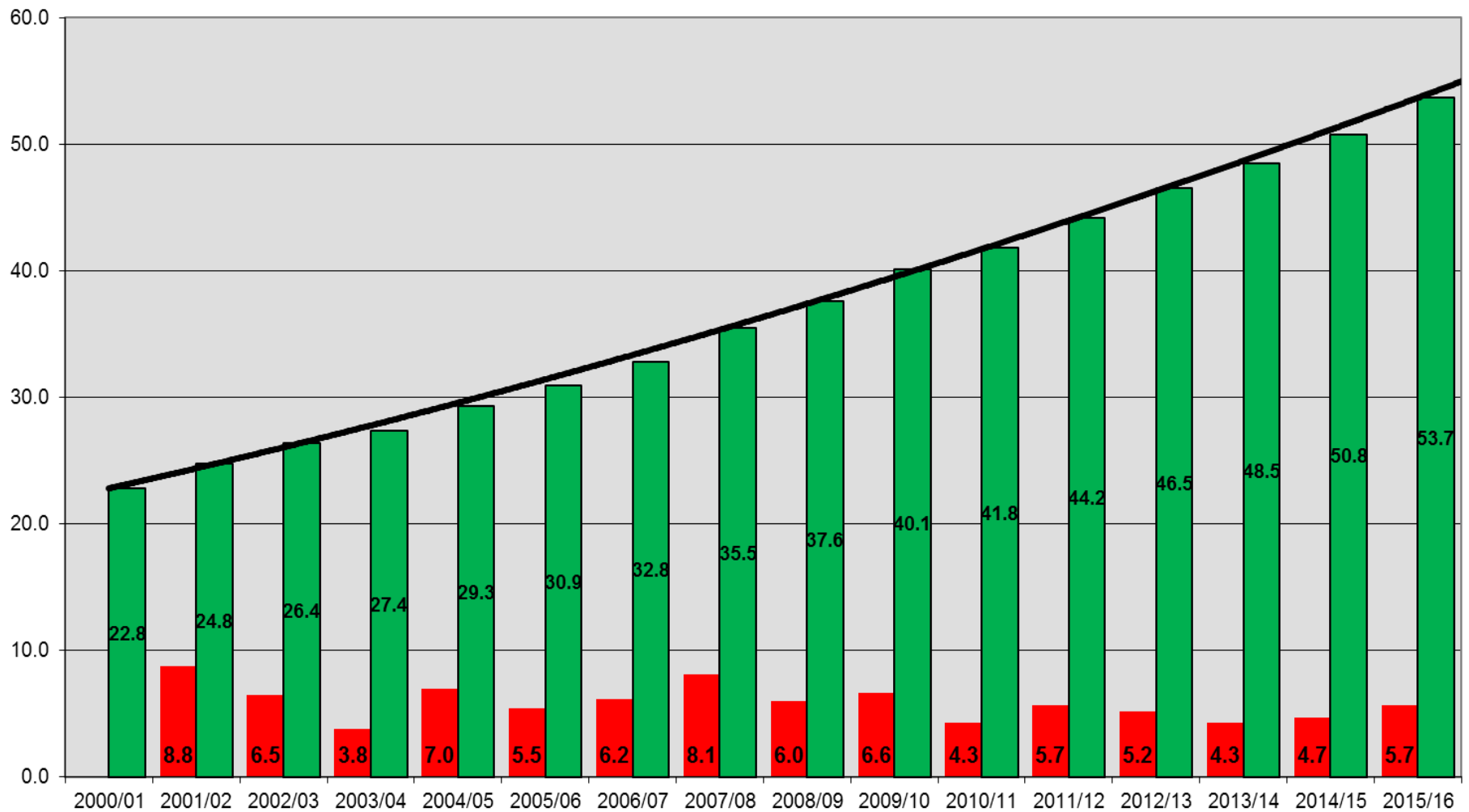
Current Governance



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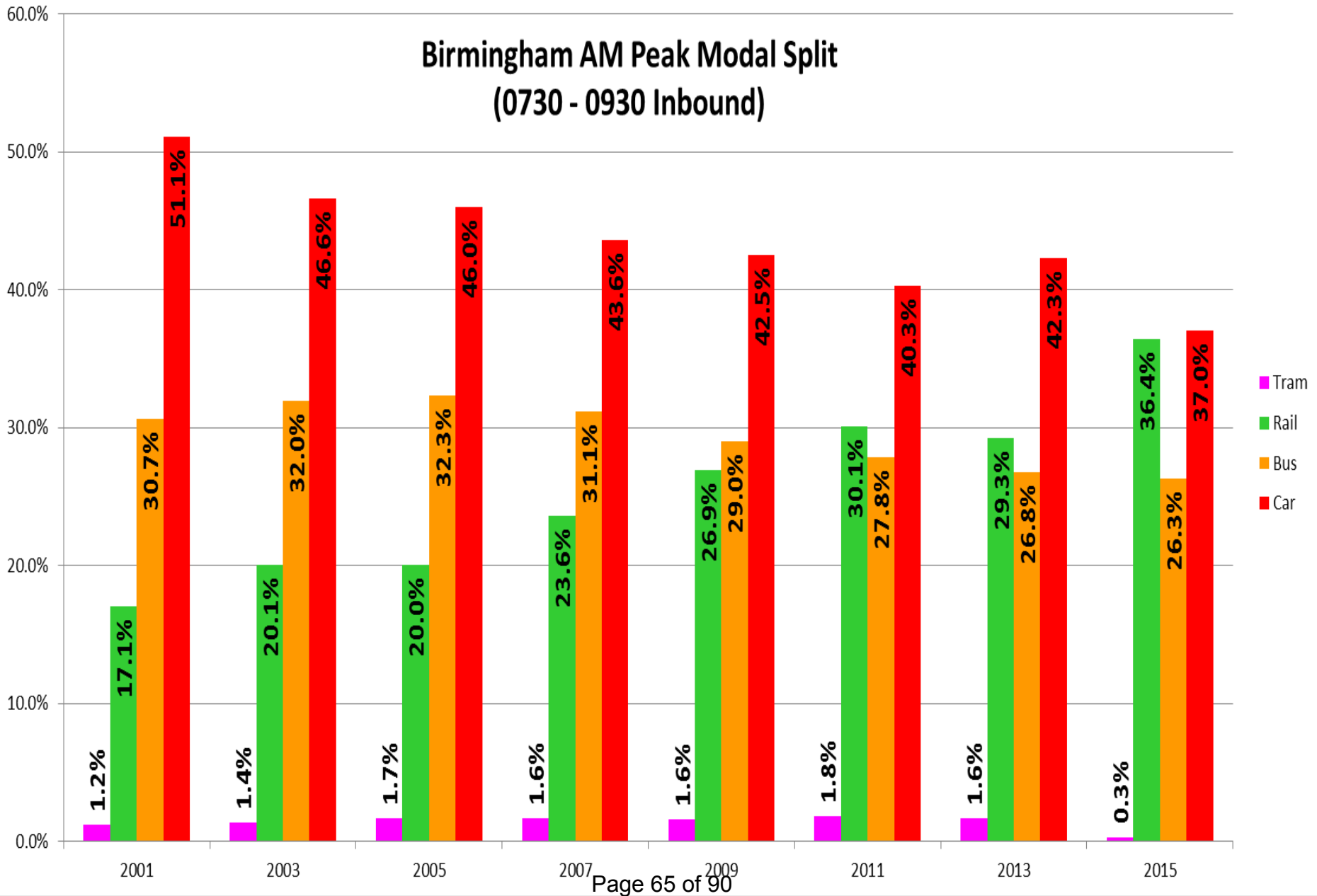


West Midlands Metropolitan Area Rail Passenger Journeys (millions) & Year on Year Percentage Increase



**West Midlands Metropolitan Area Rail Patronage has increased by 135% since 2000
and increased by over 70% in the last 10 years**

Birmingham AM Peak Modal Split (0730 - 0930 Inbound)





POPULATION

**6.47
MILLION**

MODAL SHARE
FOR RAIL



BIRMIINGHAM
AM PEAK
36.4%

ACCESSING RAIL
STATIONS IN
THE WMR REGION

**200633
PEOPLE
DAILY**

PEOPLE IN EMPLOYMENT



3.2 MILLION

TOTAL VALUE OF
EXPORTS FROM
EAST MIDLANDS



**£7.5
BILLION**

**£11
BILLION**



TOTAL VALUE OF
EXPORTS FROM
WEST MIDLANDS



HOUSE AN
EXTRA

**391000
NEW HOMES**
PROPOSED IN THE WMR REGION
BETWEEN NOW AND 2033



**900000
PEOPLE**



WORKING AGE POPULATION IN EMPLOYMENT

75.42%



AVERAGE ANNUAL
SALARY IN WMR REGION

£27134



TOTAL VALUE ADDED TO UK ECONOMY

£128 BILLION



**12250
BUSINESSES**
EXPORT FROM THE
WEST MIDLANDS

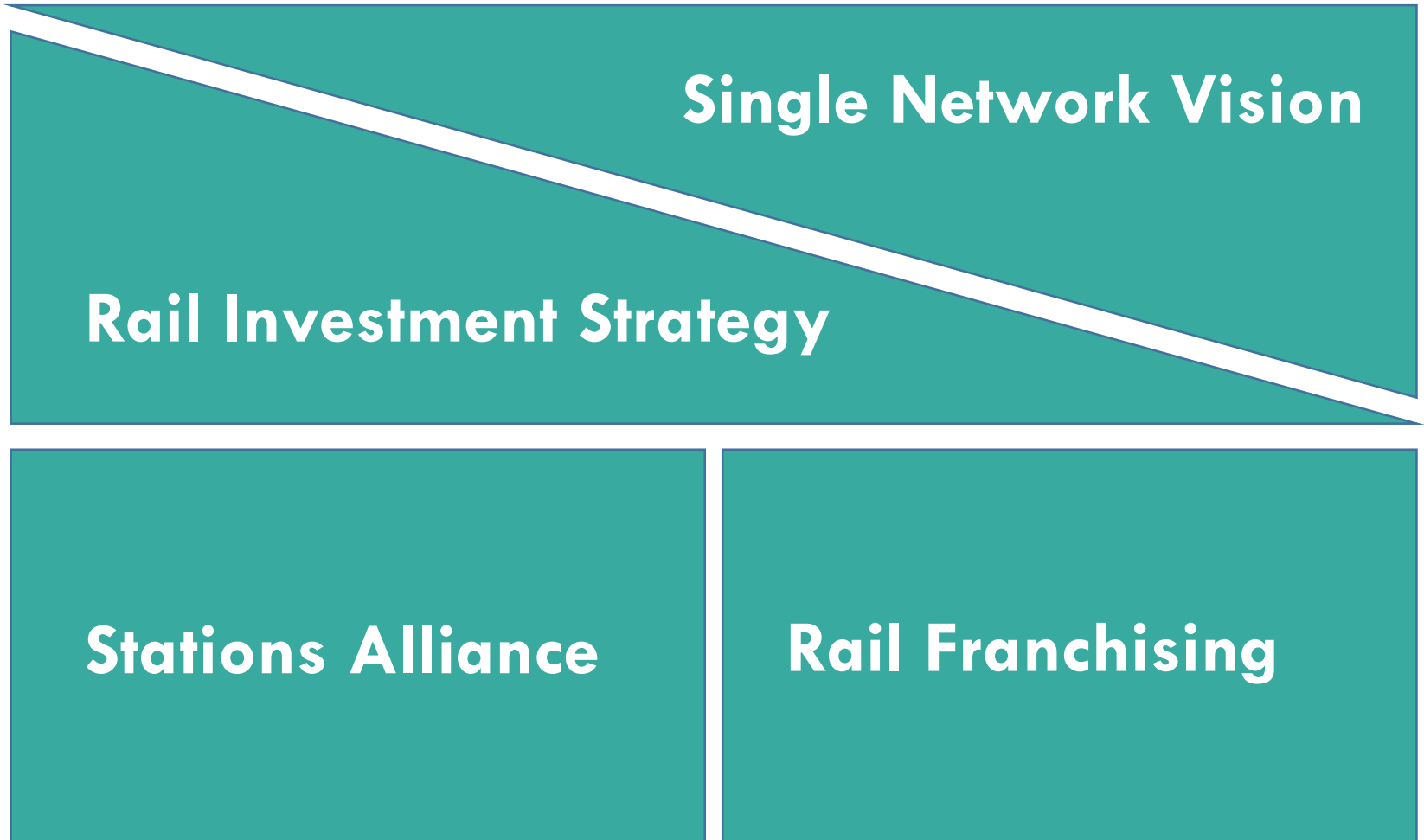
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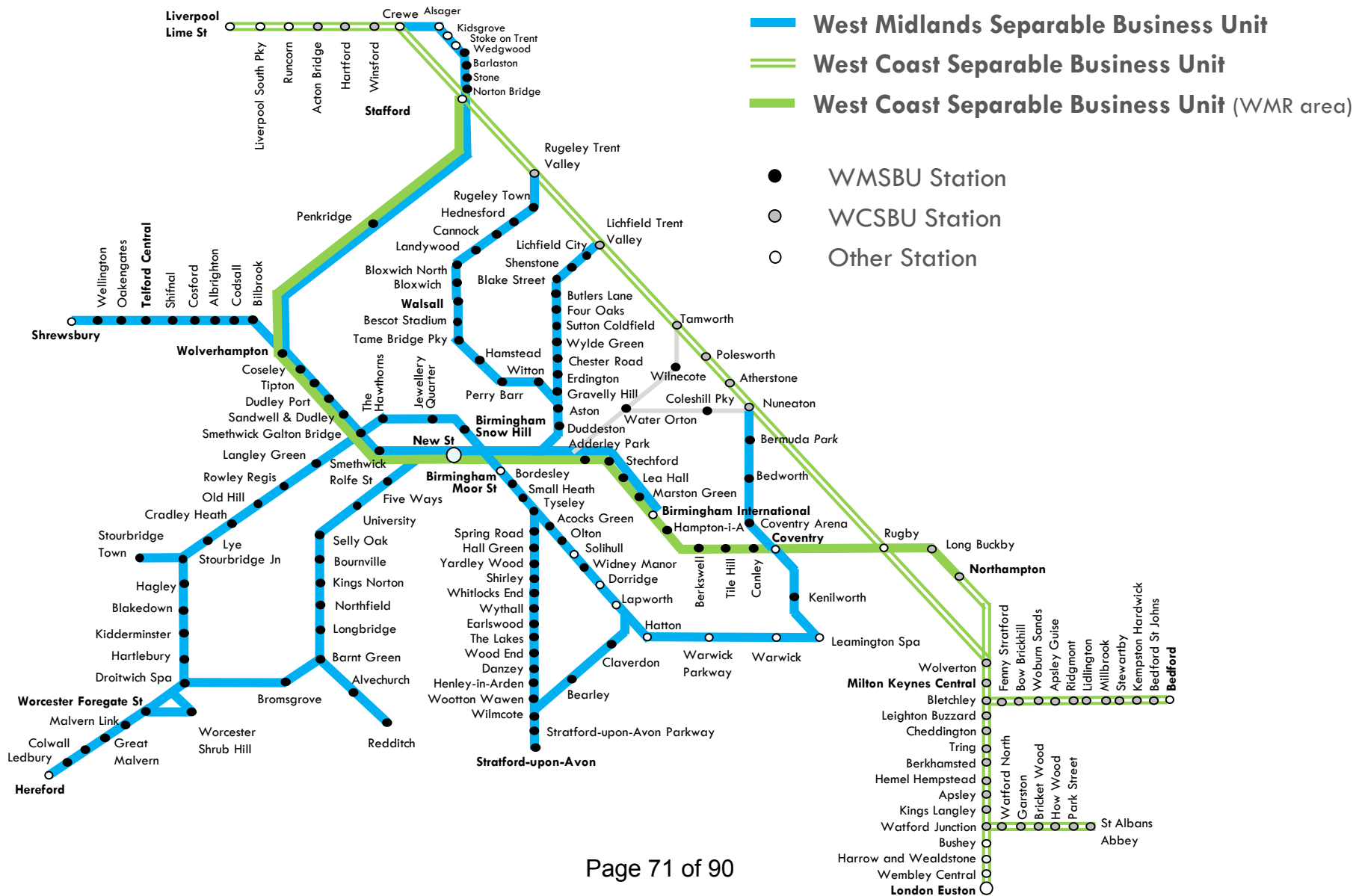
WMR Strategy



WEST MIDLANDS FRANCHISE



Separable Business Units



Big Wins



- Separable business units
- Brand and identity
- Capacity
- New services
 - Stoke/Crewe
 - Shrewsbury
- Service quality regime
- Better evening services
- Better Sunday services
- Wolverhampton station transfer
- Smart ticketing
- West Midlands marketing



Waiting room

**WEST MIDLANDS
STATIONS ALLIANCE**

The Alliance

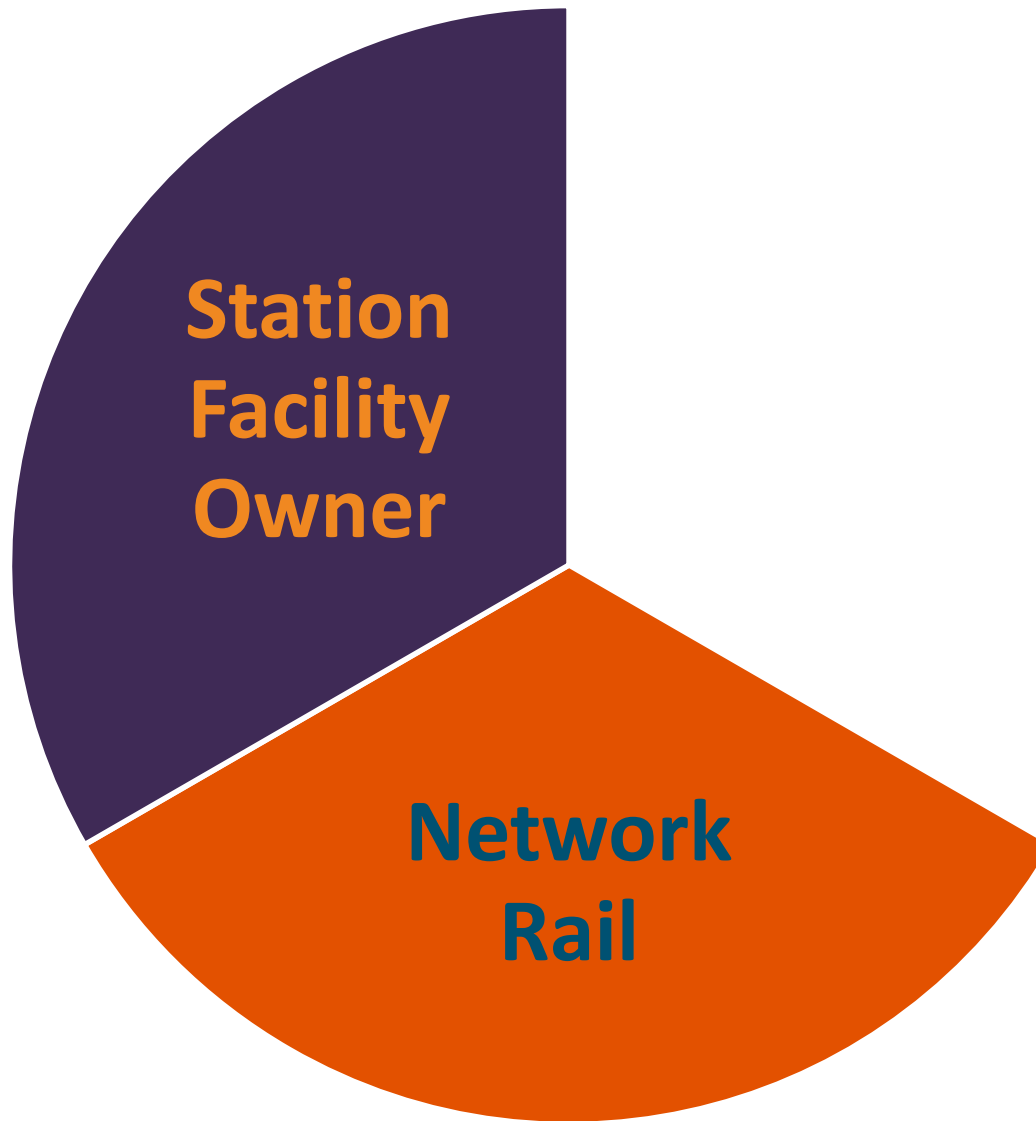
- Unique and innovative
- Robust governance
- Recognises and resolves inherent failings of current arrangements

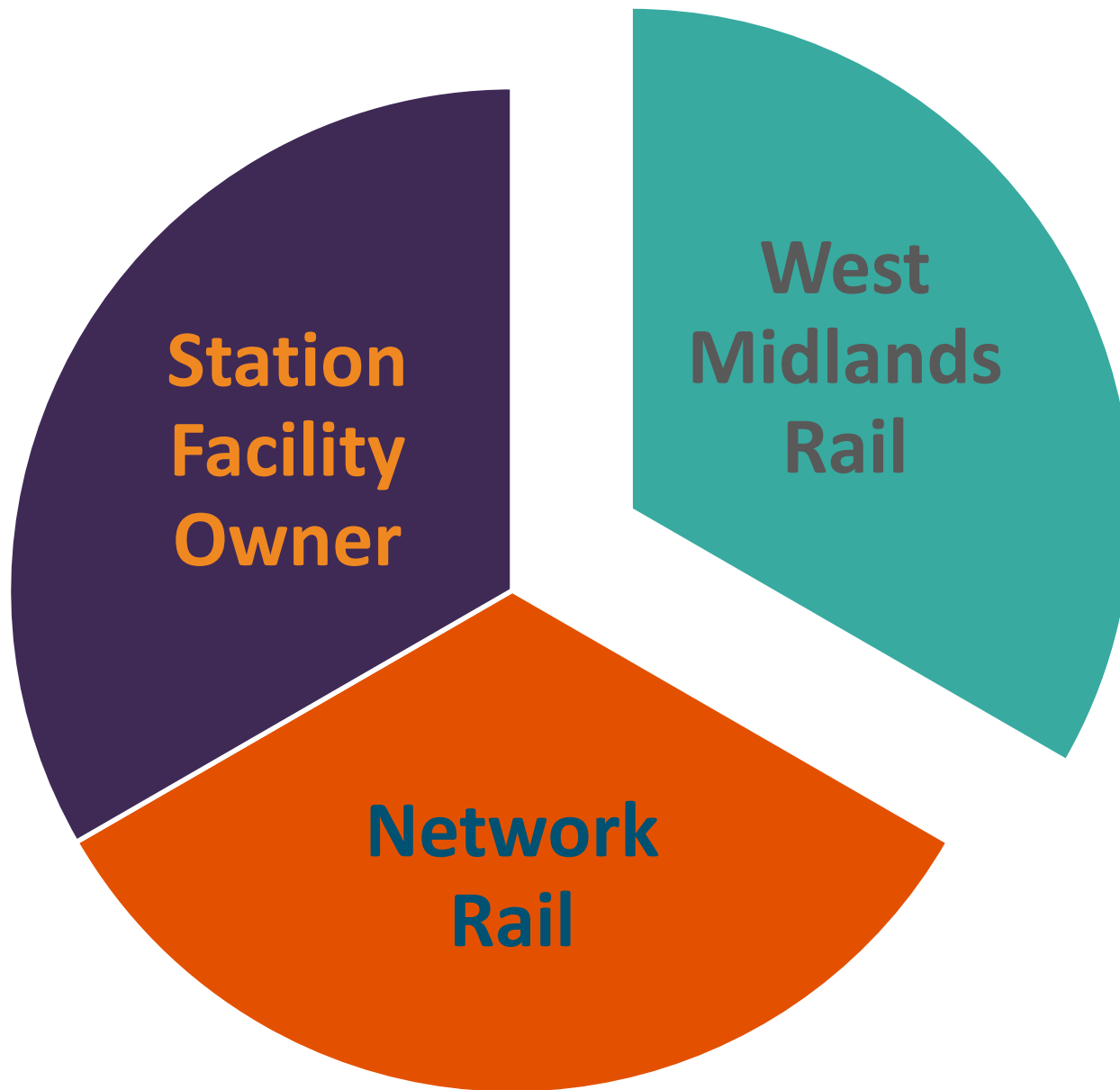


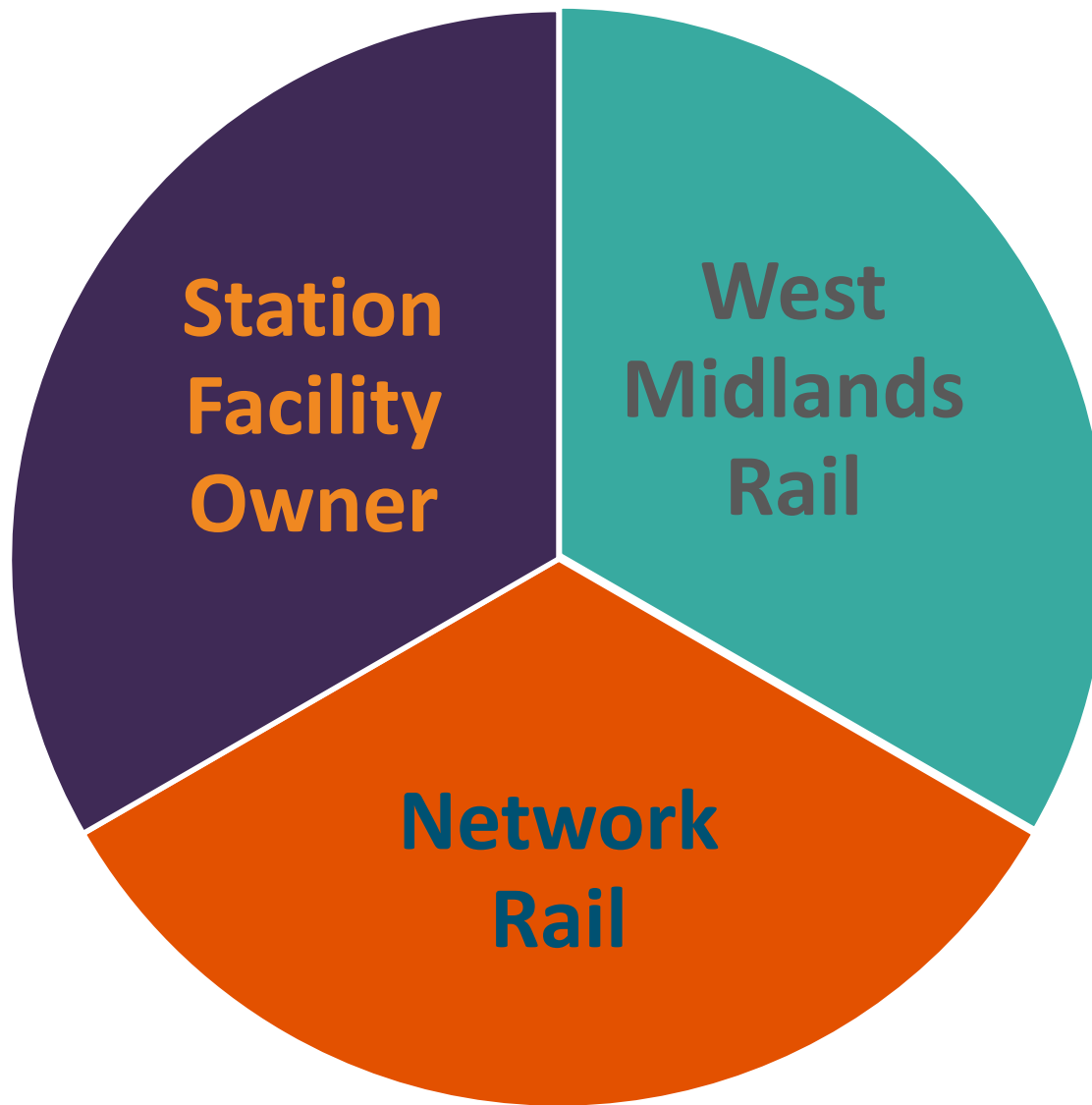
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Network Rail







West Midlands Stations Alliance

Work Underway



- Master plan development for two routes
 - Funded by LEPs
- Station Design Vision
- Potential opportunity at Redditch being investigated
- Discussions with other authorities underway

IN SUMMARY...

All good news...



- Creating a network that delivers for passengers:
 - WMR is leading the creation of a better rail network for the region
 - A new franchise, with much to celebrate
 - Real influence with DfT, and franchise management responsibility
 - Exciting plans for future station and network development

A purple and silver high-speed train is shown from a side-front perspective. The train features a stylized 'X' logo in grey and orange on its side. Below the logo, it says 'Operated by West Midlands Trains'. The train is on a track with a concrete barrier in the foreground. In the background, there are tall buildings under construction with red cranes.

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**West Midlands Rail is a movement
for change – driving a revolution
in rail services for West
Midlanders.**



Economy, Skills & Transport O&S Committee: Work Programme 2017/18

Chair: Cllr Zafar Iqbal

Committee Members: Cllrs David Barrie, Sir Albert Bore, Zaker Choudhry, Liz Clements, Phil Davis, Mahmood Hussain, Timothy Huxtable, Ziaul Islam, Josh Jones, John O'Shea, and Ken Wood

Officer Support: Scrutiny Officers: Rose Kiely (303 1730) & Baseema Begum (303 1668)
Committee Manager: Errol Wilson (675 0955)

1 Meeting Schedule

Date	What	Officer Contact / Attendees
15th June 2017 (informal) 1400 hours Committee Room 2	Informal meeting to discuss the Work Programme with input from Officers (where possible) on key Economic, Planning, Regeneration, Transportation and Skills and Learning issues.	Scrutiny Office
13th July 2017 1400 hours Committee Rooms 3&4	Cabinet Member for Transport & Roads: Portfolio priorities & upcoming work areas Members private briefing on Highways PFI contract	Chris Brockie, Cabinet Support Officer Kevin Hicks, Assistant Director, Highways & Infrastructure
14th September 2017 1400 hours Committee Rooms 2	Cabinet Member for Jobs & Skills: Portfolio priorities & upcoming work areas (TBC) The Skills Agenda	Chris Brockie, Cabinet Support Officer Shilpi Akbar, Assistant Director, Employment
19th October 2017 1400 hours Committee Rooms 3&4	Discussion on the Draft Parking Policy Integrated Ticketing on Public Transport Bus Stop Rationalisation	David Harris, Transportation Policy Manager Matthew Lewis, Head of Swift, Transport for West Midlands Jon Hayes, Head of Network Delivery & Danny Gouveia, Bus Scheme Development Manager, Transport for West Midlands



Date	What	Officer Contact / Attendees
16th November 2017 1400 hours Committee Rooms 3&4	East Birmingham & North Solihull Regeneration Strategy - Update Birmingham Design Guide – Draft for consultation	Doug Lee, Development Planning Manager Stuart Wiltshire, Principal City Designer
14th December 2017 1400 hours Committee Rooms 3&4	Review of Average Speed Enforcement Cameras Pilot Budget Consultation	Mel Jones, Travel & Behaviour Change Manager Councillor Stewart Stacey, Cabinet Member for Transport & Roads; Councillor Brett O'Reilly, Cabinet Member for Jobs and Skills
18th January 2018 1400 hours Committee Room 6	West Midlands Rail Franchise Flood Risk and Management Annual Report	Jan Chaudhry-van der Velde, Managing Director & Francis Thomas, Head of Corporate Affairs, West Midlands Trains Tom Painter, Head of Franchise Management, West Midlands Rail Kerry Whitehouse, Interim Flood Risk Manager
15th February 2018 1400 hours Committee Room 6	Update on Commonwealth Games Cabinet Member for Transport & Roads: Portfolio priorities & upcoming work areas 20mph limits – Impact & evaluation of areas where it has been implemented	Councillor Ian Ward, Leader Chris Brockie, Cabinet Support Officer Mel Jones, Travel & Behaviour Change Manager
15th March 2018 1400 hours Committee Room 6	Cabinet Member for Jobs & Skills: Portfolio priorities & upcoming work areas Potential Implications of Brexit – including on European funding programmes 'Access to Finance'	Chris Brockie, Cabinet Support Officer Lloyd Broad, Head of European and International Affairs Sue Summers, CEO, Finance Birmingham
19th April 2018 1400 hours Committee Room 6	TBC	



2 Further work areas of interest/Work to be programmed

2.1 The following items could be scheduled into the work programme if members wish to investigate further:

- **Potential Inquiry:** The Future of Birmingham: Consequences of a growing population and economic growth.
- **Potential Inquiry:** The Skills Agenda: An analysis and evaluation of the skills programmes to date and future working with the Mayor and West Midlands Combined Authority.
- **Potential Inquiry:** Highways Maintenance and Management PFI contract
- West Midlands Rail Franchise – Effect on Birmingham and West Midlands
- Draft corporate Apprenticeship Strategy
- Economic impact of arts organisations
- Women's Enterprise Hub/ Women in the workplace
- Update on Bus Stop Rationalisation 6th month pilot – Summer 2018
- East Birmingham & North Solihull Regeneration Strategy – Update September 2018
- Birmingham Design Guide – Update (TBC)
- Urban Centres Framework – Draft for consultation – To be scheduled

3 Other Meetings

Call in Meetings

'Birmingham Cycle Revolution: Woodgate Valley Green Route Full Business Case'
Tuesday 13th June 2017, 11am, Room M93, Council House

'Birmingham Cycle Revolution: A38 Bristol Road (Selly Oak to City Centre) Full Business Case'
Thursday 15th June 2017, 2pm, Committee Room 2, Council House

Petitions

*None
scheduled*

Councillor Call for Action requests

*None
scheduled*



It is suggested that the Committee approve Thursday at 1400 hours as a suitable day and time each week for any additional meetings required to consider 'requests for call in' which may be lodged in respect of Executive decisions.

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4 Forward Plan for Cabinet Decisions

The following decisions, extracted from the Cabinet Office Forward Plan of Decisions, are likely to be relevant to the Economy, Skills & Transport O&S Committee's remit. **Please note this is correct at the time of publication. Highlighted rows show a change to the previously listed cabinet proposed date.**

Reference	Title	Portfolio	Proposed Date of Decision
004671/2018	Developing Birmingham's Clean Air Zone – Issues & Options Engagement	Clean Streets, Recycling & the Environment	24 Jan 2018
004672/2018	Brum Breathes: Improving Air Quality in Birmingham	Clean Streets, Recycling & the Environment	24 Jan 2018
004144/2017	Regeneration of the Druids Heath Estate – Appropriation of the Former Baverstock School	Leader	24 Jan 2018
003724/2017	Taxi-only and publicly accessible Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Network - Future Management and Development	Transport & Roads	24 Jan 2018
004305/2017	SPRINT Bus Rapid Transit Strategy	Transport & Roads	24 Jan 2018
004511/2018	Safety Works to Parks Pools and Flood Alleviation Works – Full Business Case	Clean Streets, Recycling & the Environment	13 Feb 2018
004101/2017	Enterprise Zone Investment Plan 2017	Leader	13 Feb 2018
004111/2017	Draft Birmingham Urban Centres Framework for Inclusive Growth Public Consultation	Leader	13 Feb 2018
004155/2017	Innovation Birmingham Ltd	Leader	13 Feb 2018
004556/2018	Acceptance of funding from Employment and Skills Fund for Progressive Pathways, Sustainable Integration and Skills and Growth Hub	Jobs & Skills	06 Mar 2018
004568/2018	West Midlands Growth Company Service Level Agreement 2018/19	Leader	06 Mar 2018



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002864/2017	Snow Hill Square Improvement Scheme (Tranche 1)	Leader	06 March 2018
004150/2017	Paradise (Redevelopment) Update	Leader	27 Mar 2018
004617/2018	Peddimore - Disposal terms for development of Peddimore phase 1 and enabling and servicing of phase 2	Leader	27 Mar 2018
004101/2017	Enterprise Zone Investment Plan 2018	Leader	17 Apr 2018
004635/2018	A457 Dudley Road Improvement Scheme	Transport & Roads	17 Apr 2018
004111/2017	Draft Birmingham Urban Centres Framework for Inclusive Growth Public Consultation	Leader	26 Jun 2018
003385/2017	BCC Energy Company - FBC	Clean Streets, Recycling & the Environment	24 Jul 2018

