

BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

ECONOMY AND SKILLS OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, 13 JULY 2022 AT 10:00 HOURS
IN COMMITTEE ROOM C, COUNCIL HOUSE EXTENSION, 6
MARGARET ST, BIRMINGHAM, B3 3BG

A G E N D A

1 NOTICE OF RECORDING/WEBCAST

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2 APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE AND CHAIR

To note the resolution of the City Council appointing the Committee, Chair and Members to serve on the Committee for the period ending with the Annual Meeting of the City Council 2023.

Labour (5):-

Councillors Saima Suleman (Chair), Mohammed Azim, Nicky Brennan, Catherine Iroh and Jamie Tennant.

Conservative (2):-

Councillors Simon Morrall and Richard Parkin.

Liberal Democrat (1):-

Councillor Izzy Knowles

3 ELECTION OF DEPUTY CHAIR

To elect a Deputy Chair to substitute for the Chair if absent.

4 APOLOGIES

To receive any apologies.

5 **DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

Members are reminded that they must declare all relevant pecuniary and non pecuniary interests arising from any business to be discussed at this meeting. If a disclosable pecuniary interest is declared a Member must not speak or take part in that agenda item. Any declarations will be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

6 **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

To fulfil the functions of an Overview and Scrutiny Committee as they relate to any policies, services and activities concerning strategic economy; skills and apprenticeships; inward investment; land use planning; business improvement districts and the Local Enterprise Partnership.

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7 **ACTION NOTES OF THE LAST FORMAL MEETING - (2ND MARCH)**

To agree the notes of the formal meeting held on 2nd March 2022.

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8 **EAST BIRMINGHAM INCLUSIVE GROWTH STRATEGY - UPDATE**

Mark Gamble, East Birmingham Development Manager.

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9 **OUR FUTURE CITY PLAN: SHAPING OUR CITY TOGETHER**

Simon Delahunty-Forrest, Assistant Director, Development

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10 **ECONOMY & SKILLS O&S COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME**

For discussion.

11 **PROPOSED DATES OF MEETINGS 2022/23**

1. To propose a schedule of dates for meetings during 2022/23.
The Chairman proposes that meetings be held at 1000 hours on the following Wednesdays:-

2022

13th July
14th September
12th October
9th November
7th December

2023

11th January
8th February
8th March
26th April

2. The Committee is also requested to approve Wednesdays at 1000 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.

Monthly dates have been reserved with a view to planning all work i.e. Committee meetings, inquiries etc. to fit into the schedule.

12 **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).

13 **OTHER URGENT BUSINESS**

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

14 **AUTHORITY TO CHAIR AND OFFICERS**

Chair to move:-

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

BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

ECONOMY AND SKILLS O&S COMMITTEE

**1000 hours on 2nd March 2022, Committee Room C, Council House Extension,
Margaret Street - Actions**

Present:

Councillor Saima Suleman (Chair)

Councillors Peter Griffiths, Chaman Lal and Simon Morrall.

Also Present:

Councillor Ian Ward, Leader

Ceri Saunders, Acting Group Overview & Scrutiny Manager

Baseema Begum, Scrutiny Officer

1. NOTICE OF RECORDING/WEBCAST

The Chairman advised the meeting to note that members of the press/public may record and take photographs.

2. APOLOGIES

Cllr Alex Aitken, Maureen Cornish and Zaheer Khan.

Cllr Lal gave apologies for leaving early due to another appointment.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

4. ACTION NOTES

The action notes of the last formal meeting of the Committee held on 15th September 2021 were agreed.

5. UNDERSTANDING PLANNING ENFORCEMENT: EXISTING PRACTICES, ENFORCEMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

(see Item No. 5)

The Chair outlined the item for discussion and welcomed the Leader, Cllr Ian Ward who was attending in person and Mark Franklin, Principal Enforcement Officer who joined the meeting virtually.

Cllr Ward stated that he welcomed the opportunity for the Committee to look at the role of the Council's Planning function and its role in enforcement and ensuring that both members and residents were clear on what can be delivered.

Mark Franklin talked members through the key points in the presentation and made the following points: -

- Parliament has given local planning authorities the primary responsibility for taking whatever enforcement action they consider necessary in the public interest in their area.
- As set out within the national Planning Policy Framework, Birmingham has published a local enforcement plan (BLEP) to manage enforcement proactively in a way that is appropriate to the city.
- BLEP was adopted by Cabinet in May 2020 and assists the planning team in the prioritisation, consideration and determination of enforcement cases.
- Enforcement action is intended to be remedial rather than punitive and should always be commensurate with the breach of planning control to which it relates.
- Cases need to be investigated thoroughly with a set of key questions answered before action is taken.
- Negotiation is a key skill of any enforcement officer, and in most cases, breaches can be resolved through this process. However, as soon as it becomes clear that a breach cannot be resolved amicably and that there is ongoing planning related harm that is contrary to the public interest, formal action is always considered to remedy the breach.
- Managing of cases follows a process of assessing whether or not the alleged breach constitutes development as defined in the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.
- Firstly, it is the nature of the development. This is what would be considered as a big change and the new activity must be substantially different from that which it proceeded. What it does not include is internal works and those that do not materially affect the external appearance of a building and where no material change of use has occurred. This is key and has a great impact on any decisions being made in relation to proceeding with enforcement.
- The next step is checking if planning permission is required for the type of development taking place. In the case of housing renovations for example these do not require planning permission and are classed as 'permitted development'.
- The Council's planning complaint form picks up another key step which is determining change of use in a building and complainants are guided to the appropriate part of the general permitted development order.
- If planning permission is required, an assessment is made as to whether this would be forthcoming. In all cases the local authority invites individuals to make a planning application to regularise it.

- An expediency test is conducted on all decisions to be made regarding pursuing enforcement action where there has been a breach of planning control. Several factors are taken into consideration including the impact on public interest (e.g. harm, noise, etc).
- Deciding against taking action is probably the most difficult part for the general public and councillors to understand and accept and is the cause for most complaints, along with the time taken to progress and enforce a case.
- It is discretionary for the local authority to use enforcement powers. The Council has a duty to investigate all complaints received but not a duty to act if there is a breach.
- If action is taken it is in line with the level of breach. The Council must be able to defend its decision at any appeal ensuring that evidence is provided of a clear and significant breach or it may be at risk of paying legal costs if it is ruled against.
- The Council can issue a range of notices as part of the enforcement process (and follows statutory requirements) giving details to the recipient of how and why a breach is causing harm and how it can be remedied. An enforcement notice is the most common form of action taken. It does lead to getting unacceptable development removed or altered and potential prosecutions.
- In terms of legal action there is a statutory timeframe of when the Council must act and is detailed in the BLEP.
- Leeds is the only comparable core city in terms of size of their team and the number of complaints received. However, Birmingham has issued more notices than any other core city with a total of 96 notices issued, Leeds are in second place with 76.
- The most notable difference with other core cities last year is that they did not have any prosecutions, whereas Birmingham had two and secured confiscation orders, bringing monies back into the public purse.
- Currently officers are dealing with double the amount of expected cases as most cases last more than a year so there is a significant amount of pressure. In the last year 1366 cases were registered. However, as the only core city to undertake prosecutions last year the team has successfully recouped a sum of £80,000 back into the Council's fund.
- Improvements to the team are being made namely trying to reduce the caseload and reduce the number of complaints received at source. This includes sifting out early on if complaints are not planning related or are for other service areas to deal with.

Following the presentation and in response to Members' questions, the following were among the main points raised: -

- The total number of properties investigated relating to supported exempt accommodation last year was in the region of 200-250.
- Cases put forward for prosecution are successful because officers have undertaken the process with due diligence ensuring that every stage has been done correctly.

- In relation to the expediency test and the Council being too cautious in taking action on exempt accommodation properties in comparison to other core cities it was noted that it was not an issue for them, and that Birmingham has been dealing with the issue alone.
- There is a perception by the public that enforcement action is not being taken however the majority of exempt accommodation does not require planning permission in the first place. In these cases, there is no breach of planning control so there is no decision to make. This also relates to general properties. The understanding between planning permission and permitted development is not always understood by the general public.
- It was clarified that in the main complaints received in reference to supported exempt accommodation centre around anti-social behaviour, which is not controlled by planning legislation.
- Birmingham has served the highest number of enforcement notices during the pandemic at just under 100.
- The Council will always investigate any complaints made following the BLEP process whether there is evidence of a breach of planning control regardless of the time that a development has taken place (4/10-year rule) and make a decision using the expediency test. Where no complaints have been received within the set period the owner has the right to apply for a lawful development certificate.
- Members of the Planning Committee receive a report on complaints received twice a year with a breakdown by ward and category of why a case was closed. Many of these cases involve permitted development. Where a breach is found, the permitted development would be noted and then this can take away any potential breach. The expediency test itself takes away the ability to enforce.
- The government advocates that local authorities should negotiate and work with landlords and developers to resolve issues. Prosecution should be the last resort and so the emphasis is to work with owners to get remedial works done where needed.
- Legislation now commits the Council through the Birmingham Development Plan to put requirements on residential developers especially where homes are being built in city centre and commercial areas. Conditions are attached to planning applications to ensure noise is managed for example through triple glazing sealed windows to ensure that the night-time economy in those areas is also protected.
- The Council also encourages residential developers in certain city centre locations to work with commercial premises such as bars and restaurants nearby to come to a consensus before a planning application is made.
- It was noted that in relation to residential properties in commercial city centre areas there was a cross over between Licensing and Planning matters and there is a need for both Council service areas to work together better.
- It was noted that the Council could be more proactive in publicising and informing what it can do outside of enforcement to landlords and the public. This could include publishing successful cases and work undertaken including the prosecution taken to act as a deterrent to landlords where a confiscation

order under the 'Proceeds of Crime Act' has been secured and has resulted in the Council clawing back monies made in rent.

RESOLVED: -

1. The report was noted.
2. The Leader suggested that the report presented to Planning Committee twice a year on enforcement performance is circulated by Mark Franklin to all members of the Council for information and to highlight the successes of the team.

6. EAST BIRMINGHAM INCLUSIVE GROWTH STRATEGY – UPDATE

(see Item No. 6)

Mark Gamble, East Birmingham Development Manager joined the meeting virtually and outlined the key points in his presentation and during discussion with members the following points were made: -

- The update to committee charts the progress made from strategy to delivery since the last update in September 2021.
- Opportunities that are going to be available over the coming years principally relate to the High Speed 2 programme and the two new interchanging stations at Birmingham Curzon and the NEC. There will be an enormous amount of growth and development and it is crucial that these economic opportunities and benefits are seized for the people living in the East Birmingham inclusive growth area.
- Further projects relating to healthy living, green and blue infrastructure, low carbon/climate change and improving connectivity were highlighted as opportunities for jobs and development.
- East Birmingham has been specifically identified as one of the key areas in the Council's Levelling Up Strategy and will be the place-based delivery pilot.
- In February 2022 recruitment started for staffing to programme posts to allow the programme to scale up and move at pace. The budget for this is £3.6m for 3 years.
- 11 projects are currently underway and cover a range of different topics, themes and approaches, including planning and development.
- The East Birmingham board is a large group and includes ward members who represent the wider ward members forum. A member of a trade union has been invited and will be joining future meetings. The aim has been to try and make it as representative as possible with individuals from the social enterprise sector and higher education involved.
- Engaging with a variety of stakeholder groups is a key challenge and requires work. The programme has connected with over 100 organisations in the area including faith groups. Visits have been made to neighbourhood forums, Friends of Parks groups and the aim is to engage with as many different organisations and groups as possible. As the programme staffing team expands engagement work will scale up too.
- Housing development is being proposed for the Meadway area and to deliver as much affordable housing as possible quickly. There is also work underway

by the NHS who are looking to put in diagnostic services and it is anticipated that a local centre offering community facilities such as a library, GP surgery and multi-purpose meeting space to ensure maximum value for the community could be hosted here.

RESOLVED: -

1. The report was noted.
2. Further updates to be scheduled onto the work programme on a 6-monthly basis.

7. WORK PROGRAMME

(see Item No.7)

Cllr Suleman thanked the Committee for their support in her first term as Chair as this was the last meeting of the municipal year.

RESOLVED: -

1. The report was noted.

8. REQUEST(S) FOR CALL IN/COUNCILLOR CALL FOR ACTION/PETITIONS RECEIVED (IF ANY)

None.

9. OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

The Chair outlined that she would be presenting the Council-owned Assets Inquiry report at the Full Council meeting on 15th March. Cllr Morrall confirmed that he was happy to second as the report was a cross-party piece of work.

10. AUTHORITY TO CHAIR AND OFFICERS

Agreed.

The meeting ended at 11:45 hours



13th July 2022

Economy & Skills Overview and Scrutiny Committee

East Birmingham Inclusive Growth Programme Update

1. Introduction

1.1. This report is to:

1.1.1. update the Economy & Skills Overview and Scrutiny Committee on progress with respect to the East Birmingham and North Solihull Inclusive Growth agenda following the most recent previous report in March 2022.

1.1.2. provide a further update on progress towards the East Birmingham Programme objectives.

2. Background

2.1. Previous reports to this committee have stated that the Enhanced Business Case for the East Birmingham Inclusive Growth Programme (the Programme) was agreed by the City Council's Cabinet during July 2021. The purpose of the Programme is to begin delivery of the East Birmingham Inclusive Growth Strategy (EBIGS) which was approved by Cabinet in February 2021 following extensive public engagement.

2.2. The approved Enhanced Business Case is for an initial phase of work covering the period 2021/22 - 2024/25. At the end of this funding period there will be a review of the programme and a further business case will be prepared for the next phase

2.3. The focus for the East Birmingham Programme is on holistic regeneration: the delivery of physical development and infrastructure, systems change/organisational transformation, and inclusive economic growth that will benefit the target population.

2.4. The Programme Objectives for the period 2021-41 are as follows:

- Improve performance across a range of key socio-economic indicators including the seven objectives set out in the East Birmingham Inclusive Growth Strategy to at least the national average.
- Deliver 5,000 homes within the area, of which a minimum of 35% will be at least affordable.
- Create at least 10,000 jobs within the area which will pay the Real Living Wage
- Support the Council's aspiration to be net carbon neutral by 2030, or as soon after as a just transition permits.

3. Progress Since Previous Update

Programme Governance

3.1. The Programme is overseen by the East Birmingham Board which has ownership of the East Birmingham Inclusive Growth Strategy and provides political direction and support. The key objectives of the Board are to deliver growth and to bring forward the key interventions to enable residents to shape and benefit from the jobs and

opportunities created. On 10th May 2022 the Board received the following presentations:

- Green Infrastructure Masterplan Vision
- Tyseley Clean Energy Masterplan for Growth
- Partnerships for People and Place
- East Birmingham transport corridor study report

3.2. The next meeting of the East Birmingham Board will be on the 21st of July 2022.

3.3. The East Birmingham Ward Members' Forum includes the 26 Councillors from 20 Wards whose Wards are directly affected by the Programme. The Ward Members' Forum meets quarterly to receive an update on the Programme activities and to provide ongoing political engagement. On 31st January 2022. The Ward Members' Forum agenda included:

- Regular Programme Update including an update on the Levelling Up Strategy launch.
- An update on transportation in the East Birmingham/North Solihull corridor.

3.4. The Spring meeting of the Forum was deferred due to the local elections. The next meeting is expected to be in August/September 2022.

3.5. The East Birmingham Rapid Policy Unit (RPU) comprises a multi-disciplinary team of City Council officers including the programme staff, and a wider membership drawn from partner organisations. The RPU has continued to meet fortnightly to facilitate the development of the programme by bringing new partnerships, projects, and policies together and supporting quality assurance activities.

Programme Development and Mobilisation

3.6. Internal pre-recruitment processes have been completed and recruitment of the Programme Team is underway. In total the team will comprise 8 officers and is expected to reach full strength by November 2022.

3.7. The Programme Team and Rapid Policy Unit continue to feed into corporate policy across a range of agendas and are developing opportunities for the scaling up and expansion of the programme in line with the Programme business case. This has included input into the Council's Levelling Up Strategy (published November 2021) which identifies East Birmingham as the city's pilot area for place-based regeneration. Initial discussions are currently underway with the West Midlands Combined Authority to explore how this aspiration can be supported by the forthcoming Trailblazer Devolution Deal.

Project Delivery

3.8. Four projects have recently been completed:

EB003: Meadway Local Centre Feasibility Study

- This project has delivered a study which will inform the next steps for the redevelopment of this important local centre site for an estimated 100 homes, retail space, and a potential service hub incorporating Council and other

stakeholder provision. The next stage of work is expected to consist of the delivery of housing in parallel with the development of a business case for the local centre itself.

EB004: Tyseley Clean Energy Masterplan for Growth

- The output of this project is a Masterplan report which will support the ongoing development of the Tyseley Environmental Enterprise District as Birmingham's "Green Energy & Innovation Quarter".

EB006: East Birmingham to Solihull Transport Corridor Study

- This project has delivered a report which will inform the development of the transport programme for East Birmingham over the next five years in light of the recently agreed City Region Sustainable Transport Settlement (CRST).

EB008: Community Economic Development Planning Policy Lab

- Birmingham City Council have worked with the Co-operative Councils Innovation Network to produce a report on Community Economic Development Planning (CEDP). CEDP is seen as a key tool for enabling communities to take an active role in shaping the economic development within a specific geographic area, to make the economy in that area work well for that community.

3.9. The Programme currently includes a further eleven live projects. Further detail regarding these projects is appended to this report.

- EB001: USE-IT Transfer Network
- EB002: Ward End/Cole Valley Skills Hub
- EB005: Community Engagement Pilot
- EB007: Bordesley Spatial Pilot/Healthy Living Zone
- EB009: Dolphin Centre Youth Hub
- EB010: Cole Valley Country Parks
- EB011: Housing Delivery Pipeline Study
- EB012: Net Zero Neighbourhood Phase 1
- EB013: City of Nature Pilot
- EB014: Pocket Parks
- EB015: Partnerships for People and Place Pilot

3.10. Additional projects are in the process of development including subsequent stages of activity aligned with the completed projects EB003: Meadway Local Centre and EB004: Tyseley Clean Energy Masterplan for Growth.

Approval of Full Business Case for EB009: Dolphin Centre Youth Hub

3.11. On 22nd March the City Council's Cabinet approved a Full Business Case for a £1.5m programme of improvements to the Dolphin Centre in Ward End Park to include the creation of an inclusive Youth Hub with full disabled access, integrating Jobcentre Plus services with the local East Birmingham Community Anchor Network

to deliver engagement of young people after a period of not being in employment and education into healthcare and other key employment sectors. All funding and approvals are now in place and the project will be starting on site shortly. The improvements include:

- A fully fitted-out social enterprise café;
- A lift and WC for disabled access;
- Upgraded digital connectivity technology (including secure closed Wi-Fi for the Youth Employability Coach and a free public hotspot for the use of the community); and
- Internal building infrastructure to enable the effective functioning of the youth employment coach.

- 3.12. On completion of the project, 400 individuals will be engaged annually through new training programmes delivered at the Dolphin Centre and of these, an estimated 150 unemployed individuals per year will enter into employment within the first 6 months of receiving the support.

Approval of the Partnerships for People and Place bid

- 3.13. Approval has been given for the Council's bid for £335k Government funding for a locally designed scheme of employment support. The focus will be on innovation in earlier support in schools for successful careers for East Birmingham young people. The pilot project will be delivered during the 2022/23 financial year and has been added to the Programme as EB012: Partnerships for People and Place Pilot. The project has been designed in collaboration with Birmingham Education Partnership, City-REDI, DWP, GBSLEP, University of Birmingham and the WMCA. This work addresses one of the ten recommendations in the City Council's report *Breaking Down Barriers* which was launched in July 2021.

Green Infrastructure Vision Document

- 3.14. The Programme team has produced a Vision document which addresses the implementation of the Council's City of Nature ambition in the context of the inclusive growth and the climate change agenda in East Birmingham. It was presented to the May meeting of the East Birmingham Board for comment and response and will be followed by a subsequent Masterplan and Delivery Plan.

Community wealth building, engagement and neighbourhood working activities

- 3.15. The Programme team continues to work with Ward Members and local stakeholders including VCSE organisations and the Neighbourhood Networks partners to empower and support local organisations through the provision of advice, assistance, and support for funding applications. In total active engagement is ongoing with over 60 organisations and support has been provided to multiple community funding bids. Community engagement and capacity building work is being further progressed by projects EB001, EB005 and EB0100

4. Next Steps

- 4.1. The principal focus of activity for the next three months will be as follows:

Recruitment of the Programme Team

- 4.2. Recruitment continues and it is anticipated that the team will be in place during Q3/Q4 2022/23. Further graduate, work experience and student placements will also be supported on an ongoing basis.

Project Development and Delivery

- 4.3. The current phases of EB002 and EB0011 are reaching completion imminently and will be followed by future phases of associated activity. The new projects EB012 – EB015 will be fully mobilised and will commence regular reporting to the programme board. Further detail is appended to this report as Appendix A. Additional project proposals are in development by the programme team and this activity will be accelerated greatly by the recruitment of additional Programme personnel.

Development of the East Birmingham Locality Forum

- 4.4. A presentation was provided to the February meeting of the East Birmingham Board regarding the proposed establishment of an East Birmingham Locality Forum which will convene local partners to guide, accelerate and support the implementation of the integration of health with wider public sector services. Workshops have now been arranged for strategic partners to define priorities, start work on an action plan, and agree membership of the Forum. The initial workshop was held on the 24th of May 2022.

Enhancements to Programme Reporting

- 4.5. In line with the principles of the Programme business case, and in response to feedback received from the East Birmingham Board, future reports to Board will be improved and expanded by the addition of further information to include:

- Programme team roles and responsibilities
- Further detail on projects in development
- A programme impact dashboard with a focus on key metrics including employment outcomes
- An overview of projects and activities beyond the core programme projects, potentially including transport, housing, and key Board partner projects

4.6. Milestones:

- Completion of recruitment activities November 2022
- Future East Birmingham Board Meetings:
 - 21 July 2022
 - 03 November 2022
 - 02 February 2023
- Ward Members' Forum meetings will be held quarterly, with future dates to be confirmed.
- First annual report to Cabinet Q3 2022

Appendix A: Implementation Plan

This Implementation Plan provides a high-level summary of the projects and activities which make up the programme including their alignment with the East Birmingham Inclusive Growth Strategy in terms of objectives themes (EBIGS page 26, summarised in Table 3 below). Projects are presented in terms of their primary objective theme; however most projects will deliver benefits for multiple themes, and it is expected that all projects will contribute towards the Equality objective.

Project progression is classified with reference to four generic project stages as set out in Table 4. For the purposes of programme reporting the term *Project Development* is used to indicate progressing projects through Concept and Definition stages, and *Project Delivery* is used to indicate the management of the Delivery and Closure phases. Depending on the scale of the project, the funding source and governance route there may be sub-stages or variations to this lifecycle.

Table 3: EBIGS Objective Themes

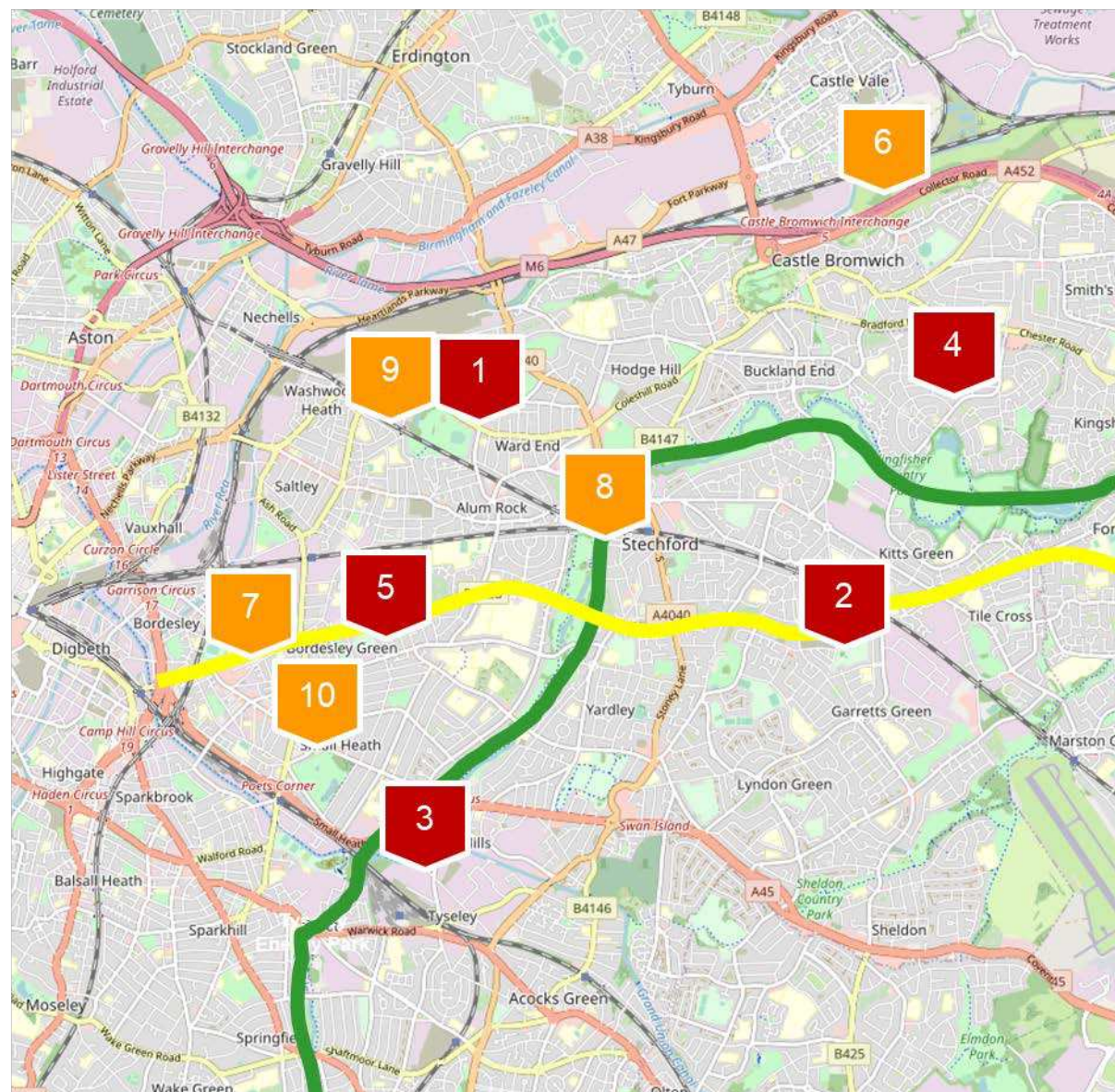
Theme	Reference
Equality	EQ
Education and Learning	EL
Health and Wellbeing	HWB
Affordable, Safe and Connected	ASC
Economy	ECO
Power, Influence and Participation	PIP
The Environment	ENV

Table 4: Project Stages

Stage	Key activities and outputs
1: Concept	Inception, feasibility, and initial options appraisal. Production of Project Brief.
2: Definition	Development of preferred option. Production of Outline and/or Full Business Case (if required) and project management plan.
3: Delivery	Implementation of project. Delivery of project product/outputs in accordance with Business Case and Project Management Plan.
4: Closure	Handover of project outputs and evaluation

Project Map

Phase 1 Projects (existing)	Location
EB001: USE-IT Transfer Network	All
EB002: Ward End/Cole Valley Skills Hub	1
EB003: Meadway Local Centre	2
EB004: Tyseley Clean Energy Masterplan for Growth	3
EB005: Community Engagement Pilot	1,4,5
EB006: EBNS Transport Study	All
EB007: Bordesley Green Spatial Pilot	5
EB008: CEDP Policy Lab	All
EB009: Dolphin Centre Youth Hub	1
EB010: Cole Valley Country Parks	~
EB011: Housing Delivery Pipeline Study	All
Proposed future route of Midland Metro Extension	~
Phase 2 Projects (proposed)	
Green Infrastructure Masterplan	All
Net Zero Neighbourhood	6
City of Nature Pilot	7
Green Development Zones	All
Tyseley Clean Energy Masterplan for Growth Stage 2	3
Coventry Road Local Centre Environment	10
East Birmingham Heritage at Risk Survey	All
Levelling Recruitment	All
Ward End Park Skills Hub	1
Meadway Local Centre Stage 2	2
Pocket Parks/growing spaces	All
Community Research Hub	All
Programme Comms and Engagement	All
East Birmingham Business Improvement Districts	All
Monitoring and Impact Framework	All



Programme Schedule

ID	Task Name	Start	Finish	Qtr 4, 2022																		Qtr 1, 2023			
				January							February							March				April			
				28	02	07	12	17	22	27	01	06	11	16	21	26	03	08	13	18	23	28	02	07	
1	Live Projects	Mon 29/03/21	Fri 30/06/23																						
2	EB001 USE-IT Transfer Network	Mon 29/03/21	Fri 09/09/22																						
3	EB002 Ward End/Cole Valley Skills Hub	Fri 14/05/21	Thu 31/03/22																						
4	EB003 Meadway Local Centre Feasibility Study	Tue 01/06/21	Mon 28/02/22																						
5	EB004 Tyseley Clean Energy Masterplan For Growth	Thu 20/05/21	Mon 28/02/22																						
6	EB005 Community Engagement Pilot	Thu 01/07/21	Fri 01/07/22																						
7	EB006 EBNS Corridor Transport Study	Sun 01/08/21	Mon 28/02/22																						
8	EB007 Bordesley Green Spatial Pilot/Healthy Living Zone	Wed 22/09/21	Fri 30/12/22																						
9	EB008 Community Economic Development Policy Lab	Mon 02/08/21	Tue 15/02/22																						
10	EB009 Dolphin Centre Youth Hub	Tue 19/10/21	Fri 31/03/23																						
11	EB010 Cole Valley Country Parks	Thu 11/11/21	Fri 30/06/23																						
12	EB011 Housing Delivery Pipeline Study	Mon 10/01/22	Thu 31/03/22																						

Programme Manager's Commentary

During Quarter 4 2022/23 the following projects will reach completion of the current phase of activity:

Name	Final Outputs	Notes
EB002: Ward End/Cole Valley Skills Hub	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design and costings for Cole Valley walking and cycling improvements Designs and costings for refurbishment of Ward End Park House and the Boat House Feasibility report for Ward End Park House 	Outputs will be taken forward by EB010 Cole Valley Country Parks and a new Ward End Skills Hub project which will progress plans for Ward End Park House and surrounds.
EB003: Meadway Local Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Feasibility report for redevelopment of Meadway site for housing and local centre uses, potentially incorporating community and service hub. 	Next stage of activity will include development of housing in parallel with the further progression of local centre concept including the potential for healthcare provision.
EB004: Tyseley Clean Energy Masterplan for Growth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Masterplan Study to inform development of next stage Masterplan and investable delivery plan in collaboration with stakeholders and the community. 	Outputs are expected to inform planning and funding bids, to be agreed with local stakeholders.
EB006: EBNS Transport Study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> EBNS Corridor Strategy and Action Plan Report 	The study will be used to inform BCC and TfWM transport improvement programmes for the next five years.

EB008: Community Economic Development Planning Policy Lab	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Report on Community Economic Development Planning (CEDP) 	The report will be presented to Co-operative Councils Innovation Network Annual Conference. The CEDP approach will be piloted at Ward End as part of EB001.
EB011: Housing Delivery Pipeline Study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Housing Delivery Pipeline Study 	The study will identify a shortlist of sites with the potential for accelerated delivery of affordable housing.

In addition the following project milestones will be reached:

Name	Date	Milestone
EB001: USE-IT Transfer Network	20/1/2022	Initial meeting of “URBACT Local Group”: a local partnership group including key Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise (VCSE) partners.
	28/2/2022	Completion of “Springboard Plan” setting out how USE-IT methodology including best practice in local community wealth building can be applied to the development and expansion of the Programme.
EB007: Bordesley Green Spatial Pilot	15/02/2022	An initial holistic “Healthy Living Zone” profile of the pilot area in Bordesley Green including proposed Healthy Living Zone indicators for future use, subject to stakeholder engagement and further development.
EB009: Dolphin Centre Youth Hub	TBC	GBSLEP Board approval of Full Business Case
	22/3/2022	City Council Cabinet approval of Full Business Case

Project Register

Project Reference and Title	Summary	Stage Outputs	Funding Source(s)	Agreed Budget ('000s)	Stage	Update and Next Milestone	Primary Objective Ref
EB001: USE-IT Transfer Network	Successor to the successful USE-IT (Unlocking Social and Economic Innovation) project in North-West Birmingham this project seeks to transfer the USE-IT methodology to other parts of Birmingham and also to other cities in Europe. This project is a first phase of activity in the workstream that will shape and inform the overall Programme approach to the delivery of inclusive growth. It will be delivered in close association with EB005 and EB008. This project is focusing on local wealth building by connecting opportunities identified by the Birmingham Anchor Network with local skills base and local entrepreneurship.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support for NHS “I Can” scheme to support at least 100 local people into jobs • Creation of Local Entrepreneurship Group – working with 50 local businesses to access public sector contracts • Community Wealth Building Planning for East Birmingham (Springboard Plan and Investment Plan) • Community Research Hub established (with EB005) • Community Economic Plan for Ward End co-designed with local communities (informed by EB008) 	URBACT (ERDF) BCC	£500	3	<p>Business Case approved July 2021. Currently underway and on track.</p> <p>Milestones this period:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initial meeting of “URBACT Local Group”: a local partnership group including key Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise (VCSE) partners. • Completion of “Springboard Plan” setting out how USE-IT methodology (including best practice in local community wealth building) can be applied to the development and expansion of the Programme. 	ECO
EB002: Ward End/Cole Valley Skills Hub	The project concept is to deliver green recovery by creating a skills and digital training hub at Ward End Park, supporting local SMEs and social enterprises. Further employment and skills opportunities will be created through a linked programme of connectivity and green infrastructure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Designs and costs in support of future Outline Business Case 	BCC	£82	1	<p>Design and feasibility work underway. Project activities have also led to linked funding bids for the Dolphin Centre to Health Foundation and GBSLEP.</p> <p>Due to reach completion this period with final outputs as follows:</p>	EL

	projects focussed on the strategic Cole Valley green corridor.					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Feasibility report for Ward End Park House and Boat House Designs and costings for Ward End/Cole Valley active travel routes 	
EB003: Meadway Local Centre	Redevelopment of vacant site for a new local centre. This project will test key concepts which can be iterated upon across the wider area. The new local centre is expected to include affordable housing, create new local entrepreneurship opportunities (retail) and community uses and potentially BCC & partner services.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Feasibility study to inform future business case 	BCC	£40	1	Feasibility work is underway. Due to reach completion this period with final outputs as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Feasibility work and options appraisal report 	ASC
EB004: Tyseley Clean Energy Masterplan for Growth	Development of a masterplan for the area around Tyseley Energy Park. Combining spatial planning with strategies for power heating, transport and waste processing in a way that addresses key societal challenges as part of the transition to a zero-carbon energy future. Will include a road map for energy technologies and solutions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Masterplan study to inform preparation of BCC Masterplan 	BCC UoB GBSLEP	£55	2	Due to reach completion this period with final outputs as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Masterplan study report 	ENV
EB005: Community Engagement Pilot	The City Council and Birmingham City University have agreed to work together on a programme of innovative community engagement in East Birmingham including an “Ideas Factory” will engage and train community researchers to build local capacity to engage with the Programme.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ward Planning support Engagement Toolkit Pathway into BCU Train community researchers Capacity building 	BCC BCU	£118	3	The project is progressing well. 17 of a planned 25 Community Researchers have been trained and a toolkit on community engagement/consultation has been delivered. Community Research activities will link in with EB001 and proposed Community Research Hub.	PIP

EB006: EBNS Transport Study	Transport for West Midlands (TfWM), in partnership with Birmingham City Council (BCC), and Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council (SoMBC), has commissioned a study to assess all short to medium-term options for transport enhancements in the East Birmingham to Solihull (EBNS) Corridor. Options will answer the special needs of the corridor over the next ten years, in advance of, and complementary to, a longer-term Metro solution.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Corridor transport study to inform future transport projects including Metro 	BCC TfWM SoMBC	£40	3	<p>Draft Final Report has been issued.</p> <p>Due to reach completion this period with final outputs as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EBNS Corridor Strategy and Action Plan Report 	ASC
EB007: Bordesley Green Spatial Pilot	This is a place-based study which seeks to establish a framework for assessing the quality of local places as Healthy Living Zones in terms of utility and amenity in line with the theory of the “15-minute city”.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pilot study to inform future transport and development activities in East Birmingham. Resident engagement platform developed with West Midlands Innovation Fund to improve co-design of local solutions with residents 	BCC/Future Parks Accelerator	N/A	1	<p>Stakeholder engagement underway. Community research and development of 15MN assessment criteria to commence during late 2021.</p> <p>Milestones this period:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An initial profile of the pilot area in Bordesley Green Healthy Living Zone indicators for future use, subject to stakeholder engagement and further development. 	HWB
EB008: Policy Lab funded by Cooperative Councils Innovation Network	This policy lab will apply the principles of Community Economic Development Planning to support the creation of cooperative ecosystems in East Birmingham. Community economic development planning or CEDP is a process of economic development within a specific geographic area, to make the economy in that area work well for that community. The process is led by people living,	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Policy Lab report informing future best practice. 	Cooperative Councils Innovation Network	£10	4	<p>Due to reach completion this period with final outputs as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> delivery of Policy Lab report and Framework 	PIP

	working, and running businesses in that area.						
EB009: Dolphin Centre Youth Hub	To expand the scope of planned improvements to the Dolphin Centre in Ward End Park to include the creation of an inclusive Youth Hub with full disabled access, integrating Jobcentre Plus services with the local East Birmingham Community Anchor Network to deliver engagement of young people after a period of not being in employment and education into healthcare and other key employment sectors.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A fully fitted-out social enterprise café; • A lift and WC for disabled access; • Upgraded digital connectivity technology (including secure closed Wi-Fi for the Youth Employability Coach and a free public hotspot for the use of the community); and • Internal building infrastructure to enable the effective functioning of the youth employment coach. 	BCC ERDF GBSLEP	£1,490	2	<p>Project has been recently mobilised as an addition/expansion of the existing Ward End Lakeside Renewal project.</p> <p>Milestones this period:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GBSLEP funding approval • BCC Cabinet Approval 	ECO
EB010: Cole Valley Country Parks	Sub-programme to comprise activity associated with Cole Valley including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support for River Cole Community Commons project (ERDF) • Improvements to walking, cycling and ecology along River Cole Valley • Further designation of Country Parks and/or Local Nature Reserves 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Glebe Farm design study • Tyseley ERDF project outputs • Country Park/LNR Designations 	BCC UoB Environment Agency	£10	1	Sub-programme currently mobilising and requiring clarification of scope.	ENV
EB011: Housing Delivery Pipeline Study	Homes England is working with the City Council to explore opportunities to accelerate the delivery of affordable housing in East Birmingham.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing sites delivery study 	Homes England	£80	3	<p>Consultant in place and project is proceeding according to plan.</p> <p>Due to reach completion this period with final outputs as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing sites delivery study 	ASC

OurFuture_____CityPlan

CENTRAL BIRMINGHAM 2040

Shaping Our City together

A Growing City



- 150,000 additional people
- 89,000 additional homes needed.
- Current supply of 65,000 of which 19,400 should be affordable
- Over 100,000 new jobs needed
- 407ha of employment land required

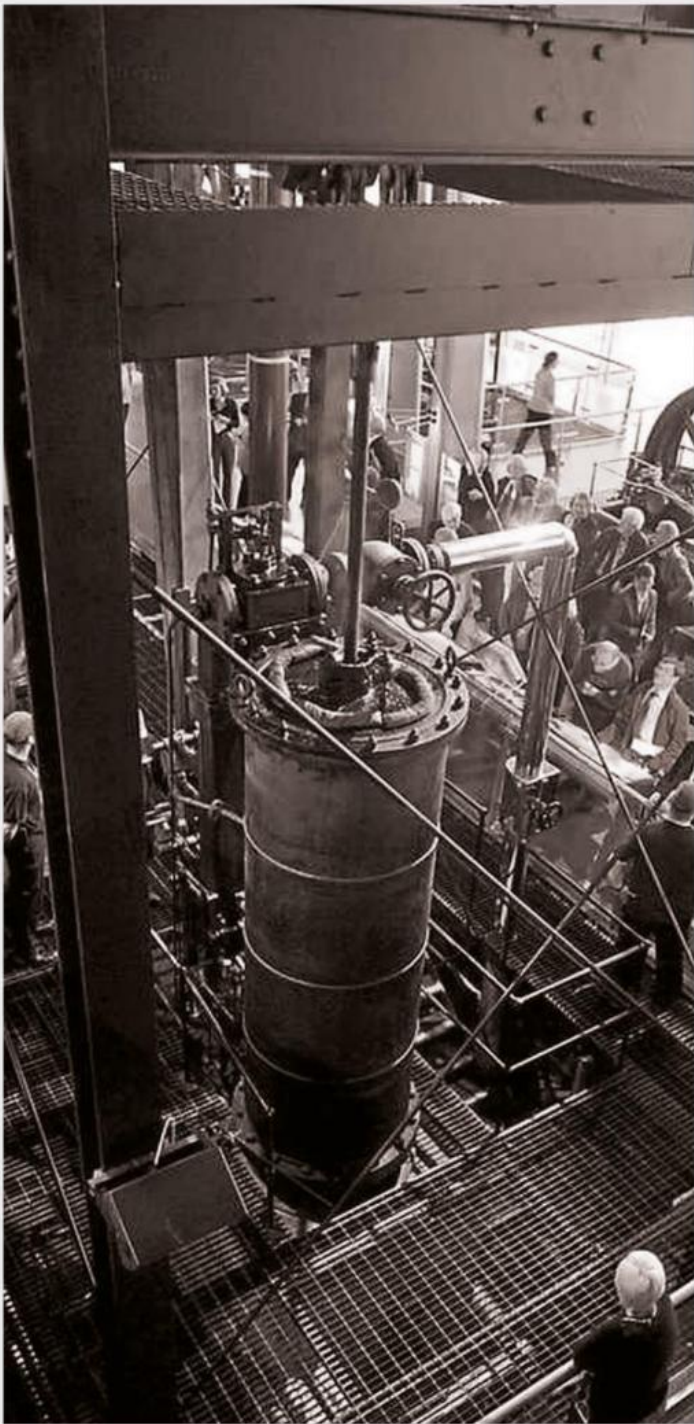
Confidence in Birmingham



- Prior to Covid growth at twice the rate of London and three times the UK average.
- Significant investment in infrastructure, HS2 and Metro
- Host city for 2022 Commonwealth Games
- UK's best performing region for foreign direct investment (2020/21), 38 projects secured creating 2,263 new jobs
- Attracted major investment projects including Department of Transport and Goldman Sachs
- More new business start-ups than any other city outside London



OUR HISTORY IS ONE OF
innovation AND LEADERSHIP



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OUR NEED TO
innovate IS PART OF OUR DNA



ICC

Construction started 1987
Opened (by the Queen)
12 June 1991



BRINDLEY PLACE

Construction started 1991
Phase one complete in 1994
Continues to grow



ROTUNDA REDEVELOPMENT

Renovated between
2004 and 2008



NEW STREET STATION REDEVELOPMENT

Reopened in 2015

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SYMPHONY HALL

Opened (by the Queen)
12 June 1991



BIRMINGHAM ARENA

Opened October 1991



NEW BULLRING

Rebuilt between
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BIRMINGHAM CITY LIBRARY

Construction started 2009
Opened in 2013





CITY CENTRE MASTERPLAN
Sept 2010

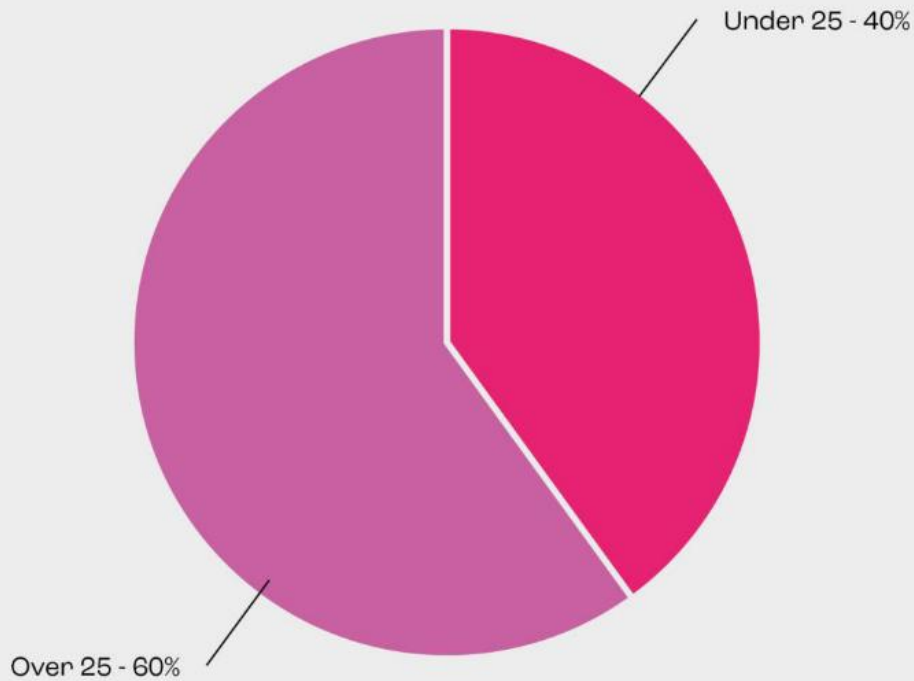


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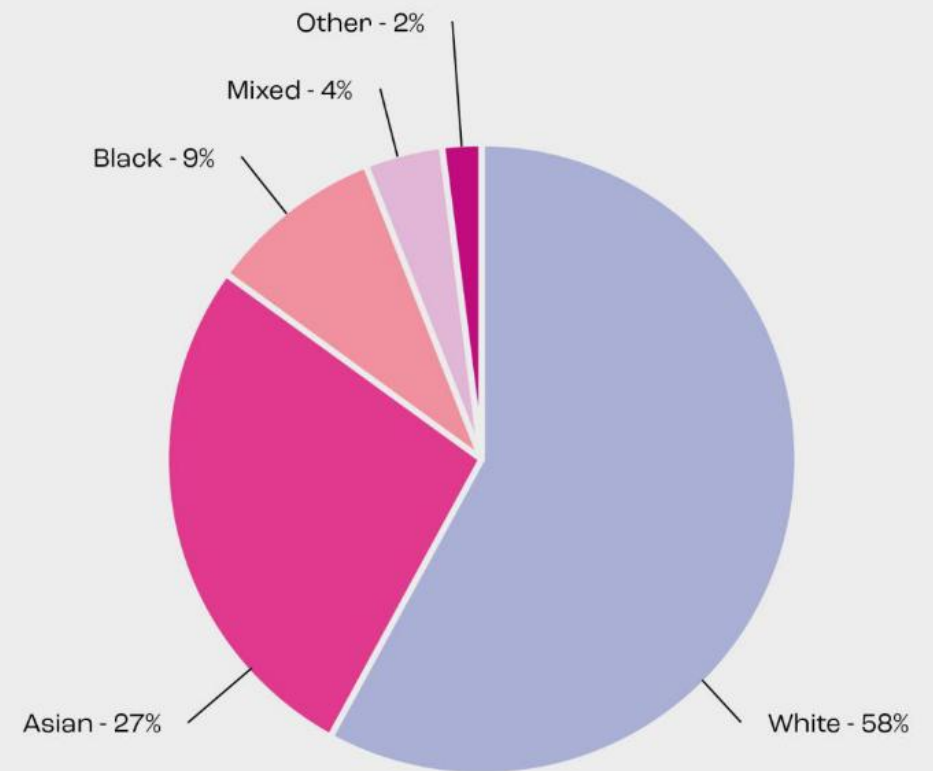


BIRMINGHAM IS A CITY OF
energy AND OPPORTUNITY

young...



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SHAPING BIRMINGHAM'S FUTURE





OUTWARD

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**WE HAVE A STRONG OUTWARD
LOOKING BLUEPRINT FOR OUR *future***



An aerial night photograph of a city. A prominent red line, possibly a transit route, runs diagonally from the top right towards the bottom. In the center, a large, rectangular building is brightly lit with a warm yellow glow. The surrounding urban landscape is dimly lit, with various other buildings and green spaces visible. The overall color palette is dominated by deep blues and purples, contrasted by the red line and the yellow building.

OUR PLAN IS BROAD,
ambitious AND COMPREHENSIVE



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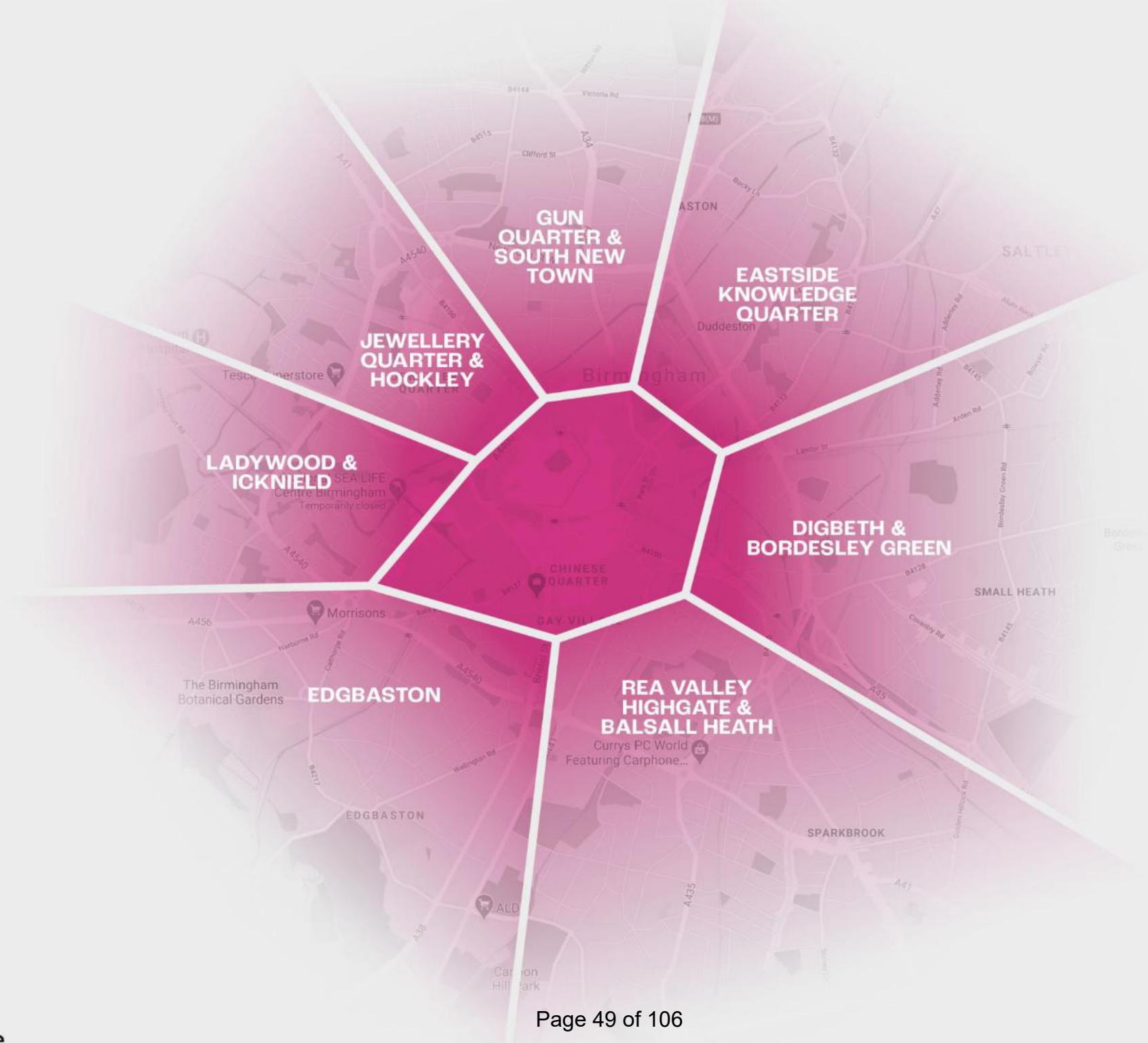
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City of Growth for all

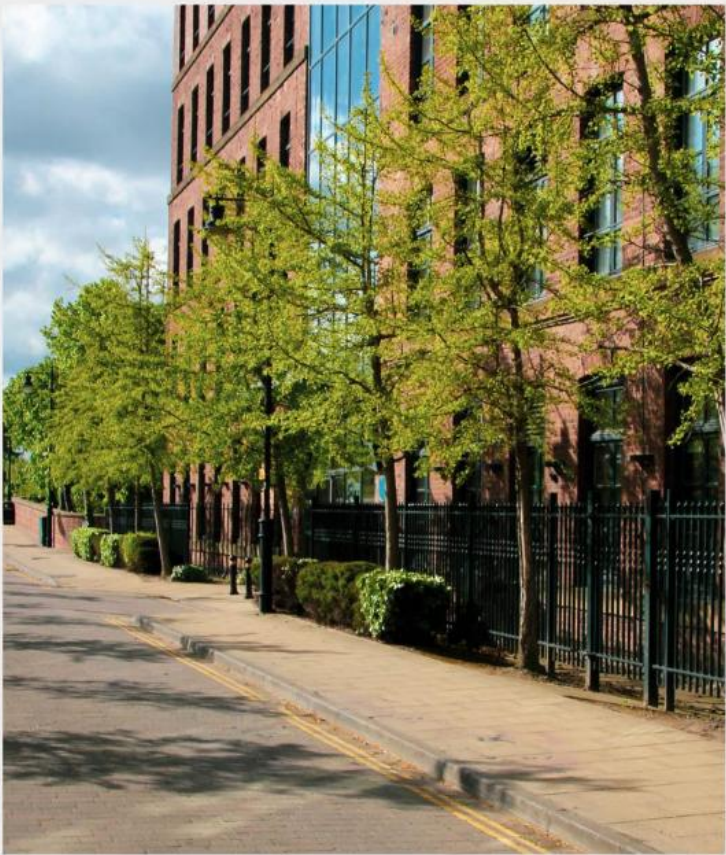


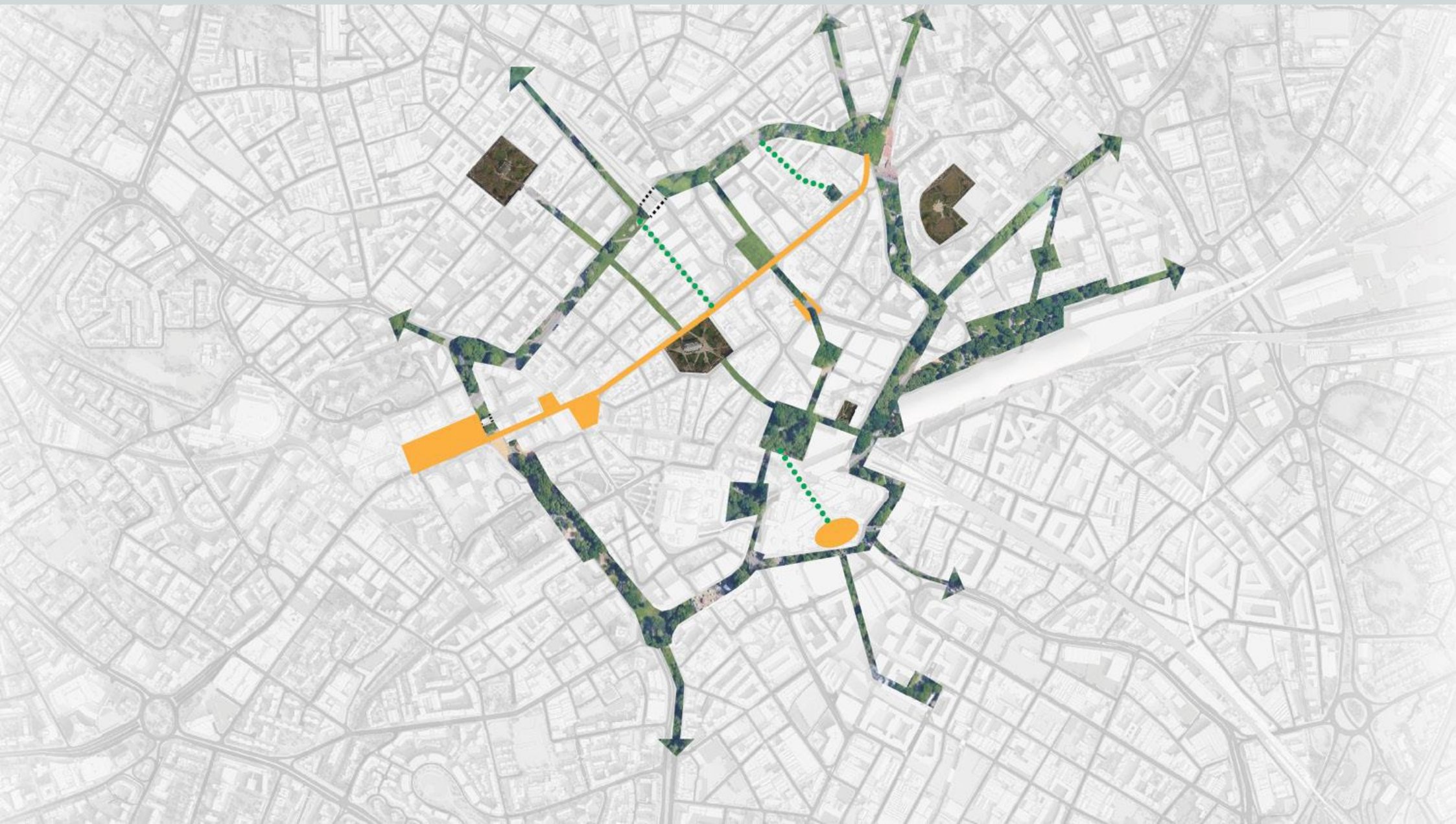


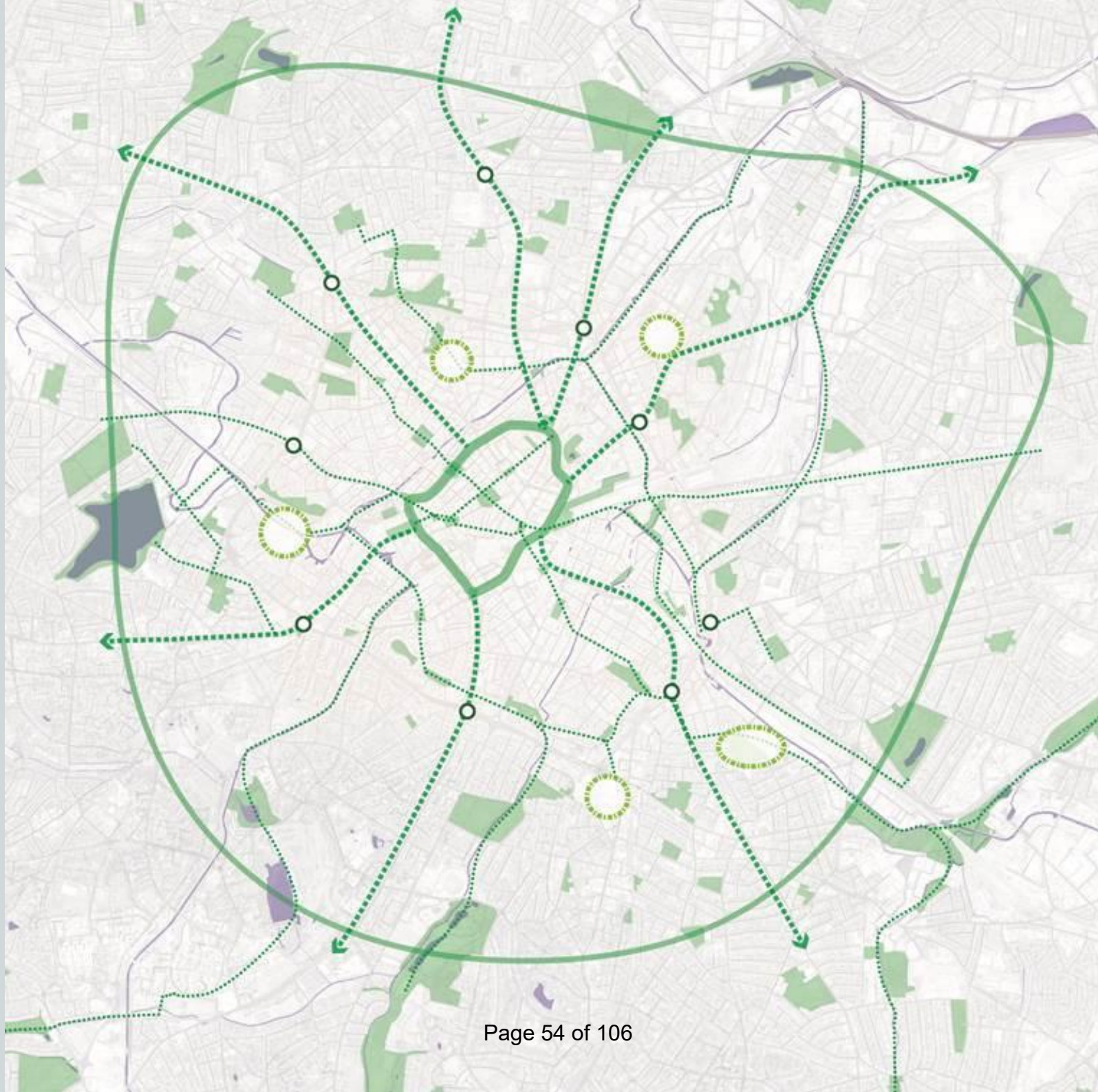


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City of Nature



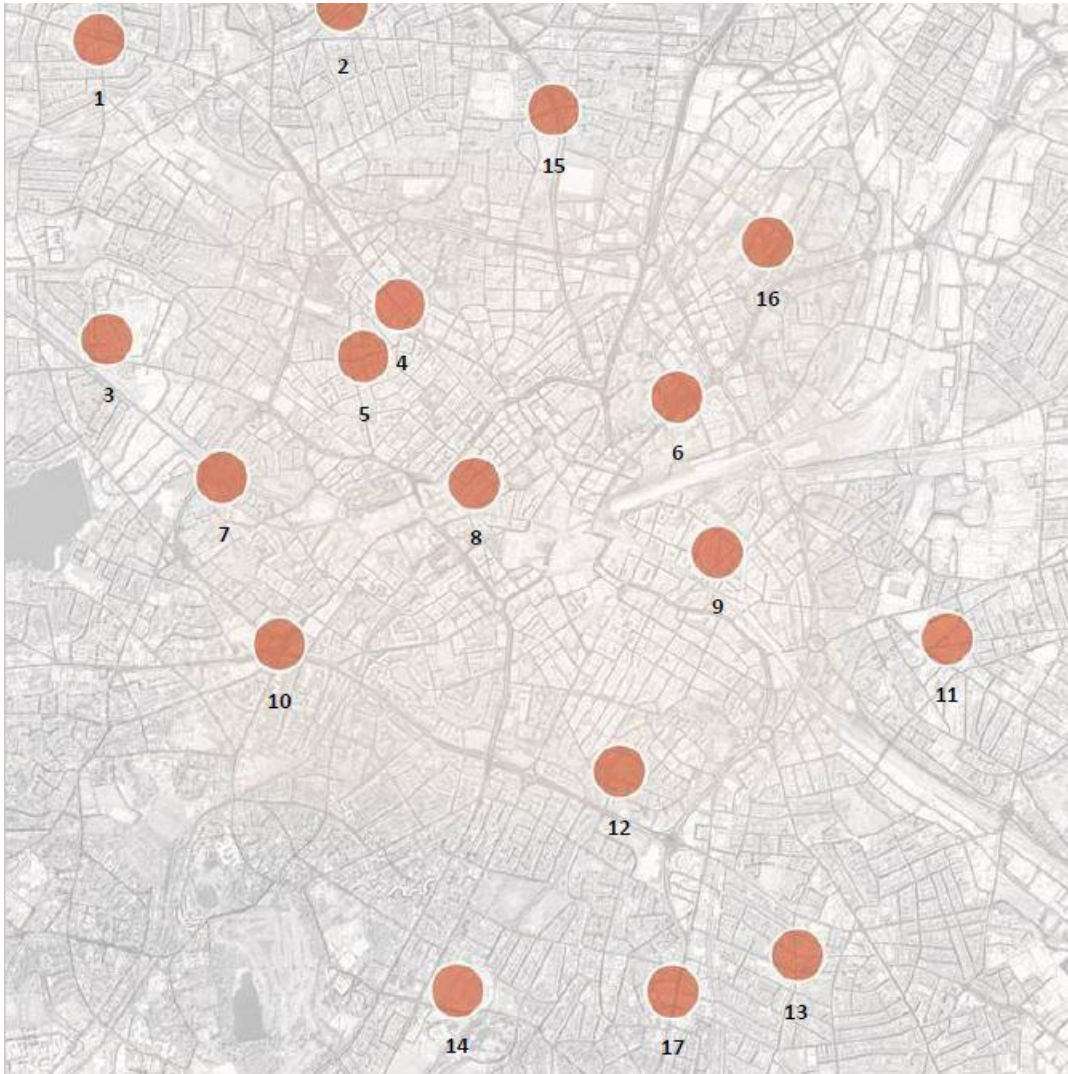




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City of Centres





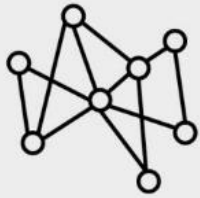
City of Centres

1. Soho Road
2. Lozells
3. Ickneild
4. Great Hampton Street
5. Jewellery Quarter Big Pegg
6. South New Town
7. Ladywood
8. Broad Street
9. Creative Cluster
10. Five Ways
11. Coventry Road
12. Highgate
13. Ladypool Road
14. Edgbaston
15. Newtown
16. Bloomsbury
17. Balsall Heath



04

City of Connections



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TRAMS



TRAINS



BIKES



ROADS



WALKING



Connected City Networks

Future High Capacity Routes

- Connections to centres and growth areas
- Transformation of existing highway infrastructure for active mobility
- Dedicated uninterrupted routes
- Relationship with City of Nature





05

City of *Knowledge and Innovation*



UNIVERSITY OF
BIRMINGHAM



BIRMINGHAM CITY
University



Aston University
BIRMINGHAM UK



UCB
University College Birmingham



Newman
University
BIRMINGHAM



BMet
Inspiring futures, realising dreams.



SOUTH & CITY COLLEGE
BIRMINGHAM

Bournville
COLLEGE

cadbury college



ADVANCED
TRANSPORT &
INFRASTRUCTURE
NATIONAL COLLEGE



SILICON CANAL

CUSTARD FACTORY

Innovation Birmingham

The Health Tech Catalyst





06

City of Layers



WHERE ARE YOU FROM?



SHAPING THE OPPORTUNITIES













SHAPING BCC LAND ASSETS





NEXT STEPS



OFCP – Central Renewal Areas

Project Charters

January 2022

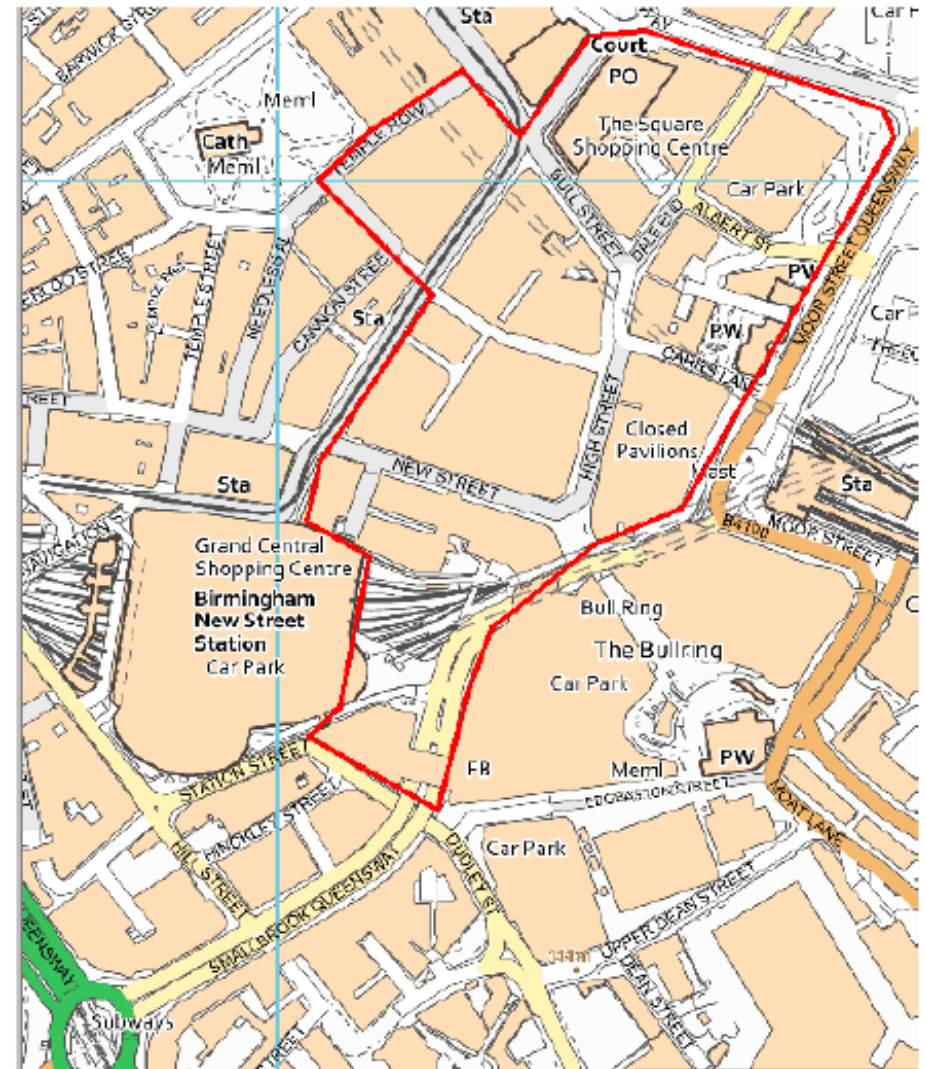
Central Renewal Areas

- 8 CRAs – all different in scale, opportunity, purpose and in timescales.
- Proposals that deliver OFCP's 6 City Themes.
- Deliberately go “beyond the ring road”.
- Focus for change and targeting intervention.
- Identifying growth potential
- Infrastructure requirements
- Routes to Delivery



Park Birmingham

- Martineau Galleries
- Big Top/Rackhams/Martineau Place/Carrs Lane
- New Street Station & BullRing Link'



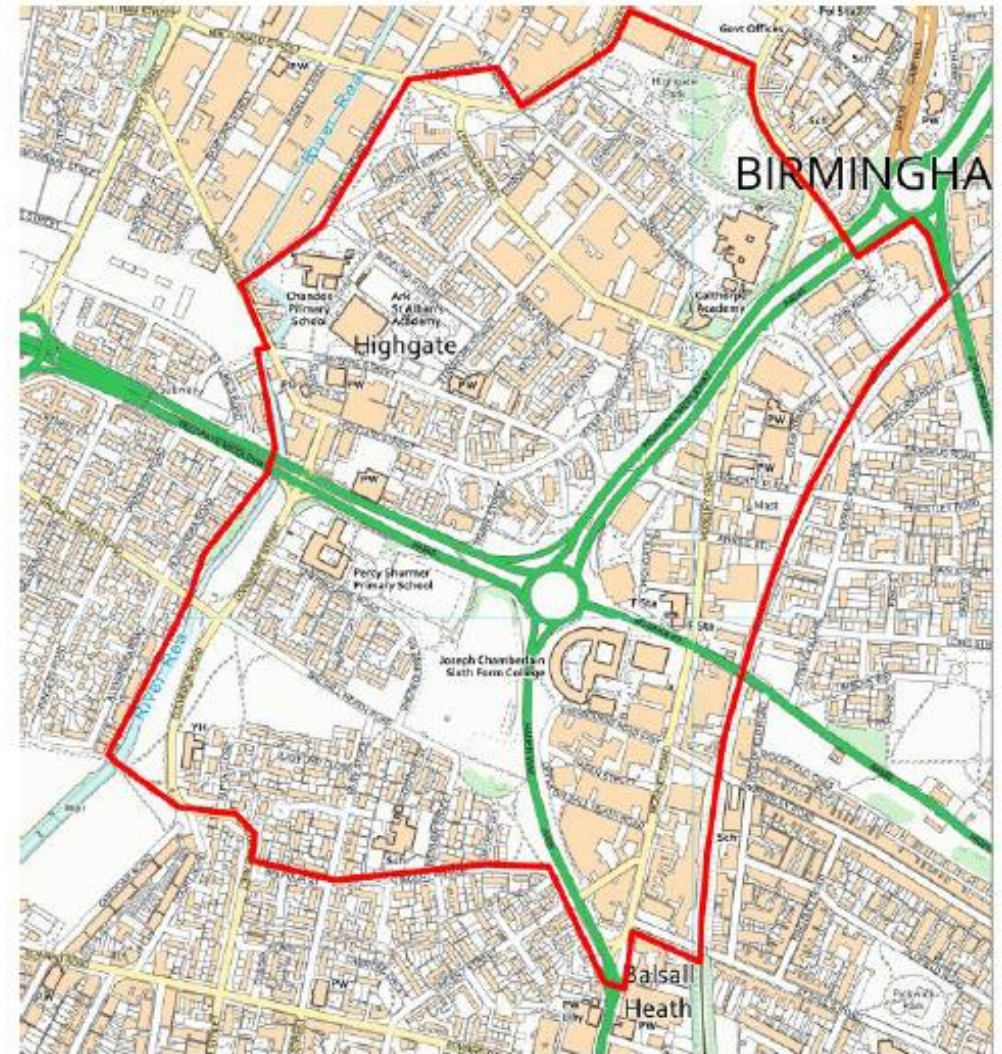
Hockley & St Georges

- Soho / Gib Heath
- Hockley Flyover & environs
- St Georges Estate
- Gun Quarter & Newtown Core Employment



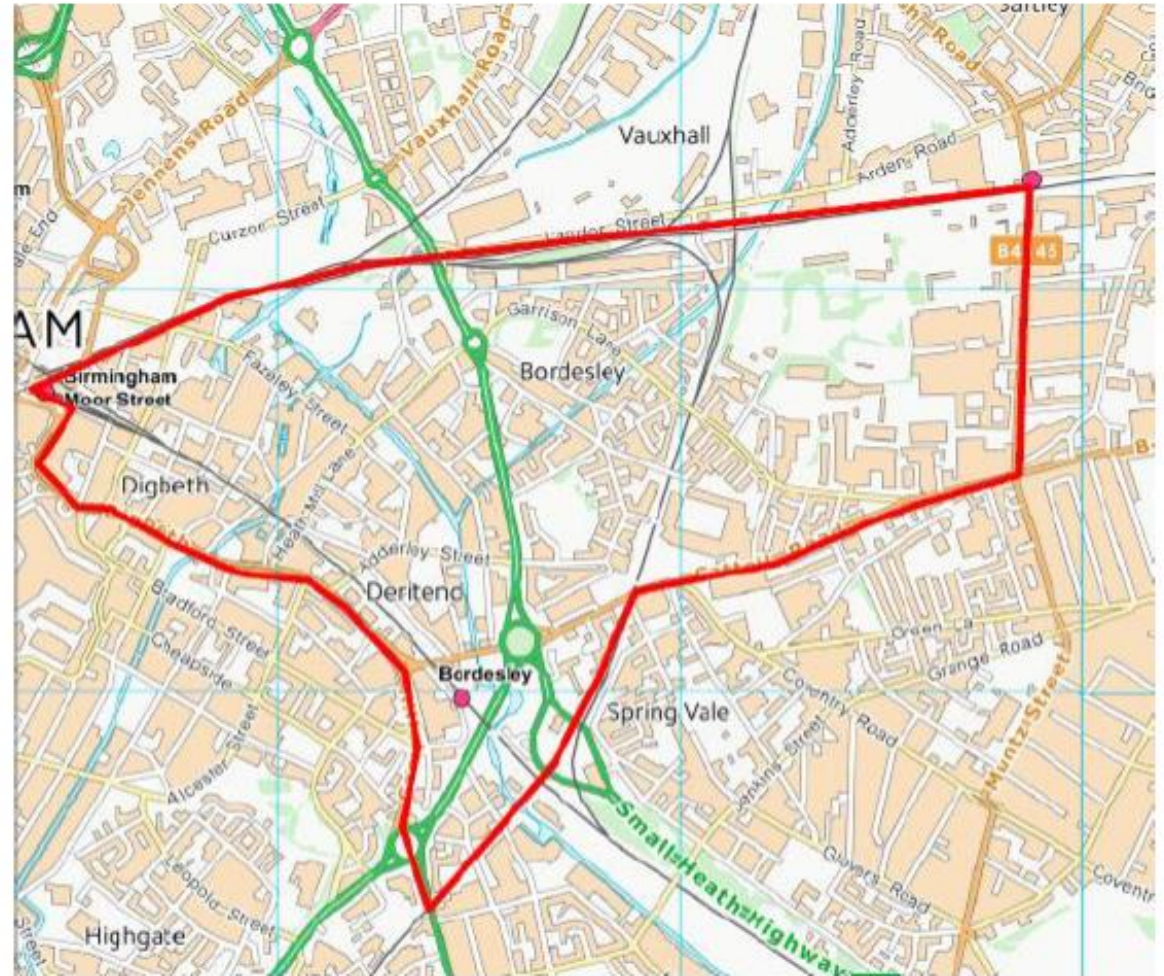
Highgate & Balsall Heath

- Highgate Estate
- Balsall Heath – central area
- Moseley Road North
- Moseley Road South



Digbeth & Bordesley

- EZ sites - Oval / Stoford / Major PAs.
- Homes England sites
- AAP sites – “Wheels”
- Spring Vale sites – BCC interests
- Bordesley Central



Knowledge Quarter & Nechells

- HS2 Curzon Station Opportunities
- Millennium Point / Jennens Road
- Aston Uni, BCU & Bruntwood masterplans.
- Nechells Estates – BCC assets
- Ring-road industrial uses
- Canal corridor sheds and gas works



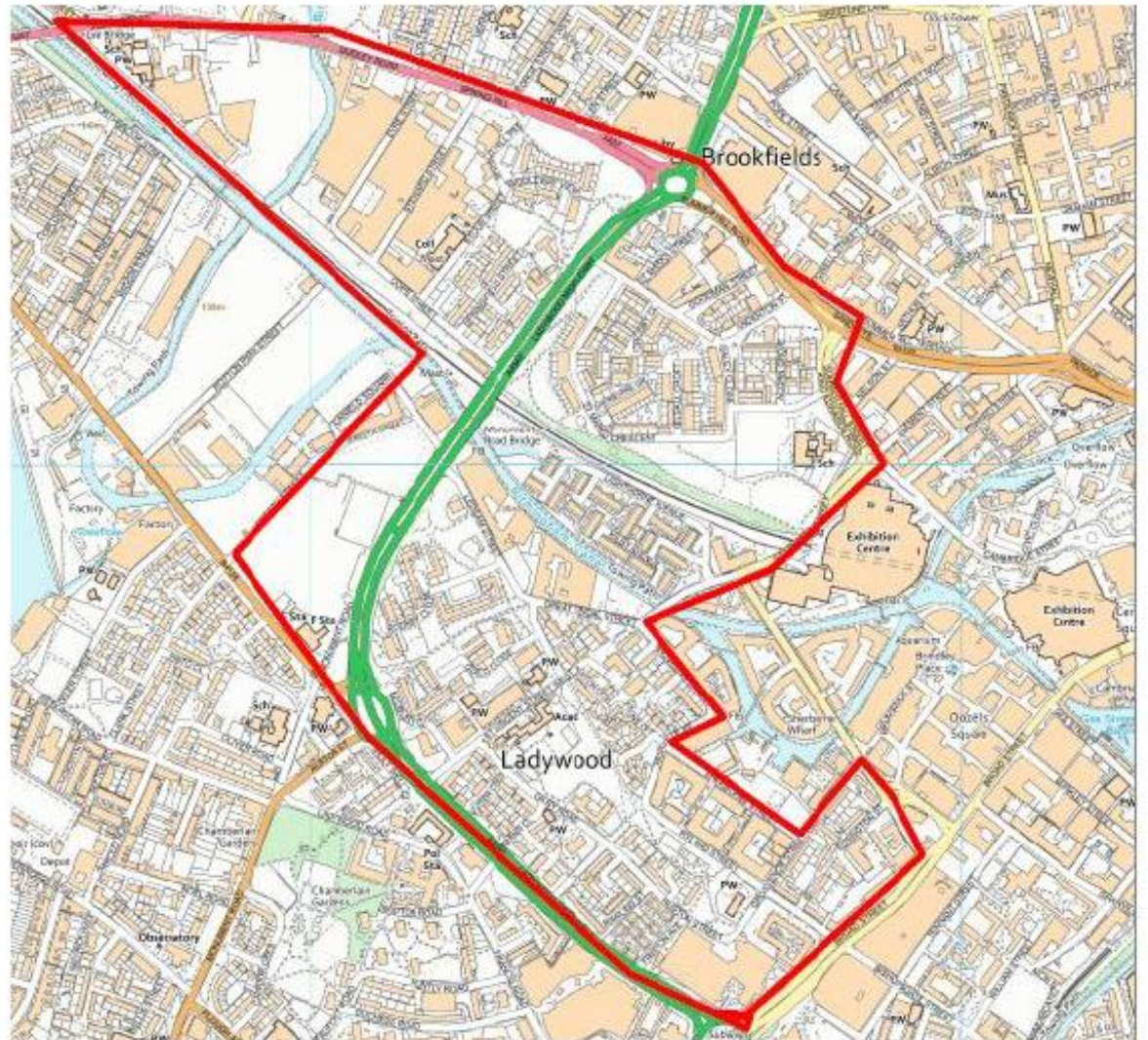
Rea Valley

- Rea Valley SPD Area (minus Highgate)



Ladywood

- Ladywood Estate
- Broad Street Corridor
- Dudley Road/Spring Hill Corridor



A MATTER OF
OPINION

So, Will you join us?





Economy & Skills O&S Committee: Work Programme 2022/23

Chair:	Cllr Saima Suleman
Deputy Chair:	Cllr TBC
Committee Members:	Cllrs Raqeeb Aziz, Nicky Brennan, Katherine Iroh, Izzy Knowles, Simon Morrall, Richard Parkin and Jamie Tennant
Officer Support:	Fiona Bottrill, Overview & Scrutiny Manager Scrutiny Officer: Baseema Begum (303 1668) Committee Manager: Louisa Nisbett (303 9844)

1 Terms of Reference

- 1.1 As per City Council on 24th May 2022 the Committee's Terms of Reference is 'to fulfil the functions of an Overview and Scrutiny Committee as they relate to any policies, services and activities concerning strategic economy; skills and apprenticeships; inward investment; land use planning; business improvement districts and the Local Enterprise Partnership'.

2 Recommendation

- 2.1 That the Committee:
- 2.2 Considers the draft work programme, attached at Appendix 1, and agrees any amendments required.
- 2.3 Notes the inquiry proposal, attached at Appendix 2, and receives a verbal update the meeting following the decision of Co-ordinating Overview and Scrutiny Committee on the 8th July.

3 Background

- 3.1 *"Scrutiny is based on the principle that someone who makes a decision...should not be the only one to review or challenge it. Overview is founded on the belief that an open, inclusive, member-led approach to policy review...results in better policies in the long run."* (Jessica Crowe, former Executive Director, Centre for Governance and Scrutiny).
- 3.2 Developing an effective work programme is the bedrock of an effective scrutiny function. Done well, it can help lay the foundations for targeted, inclusive and timely work on issues of local importance, where scrutiny can add value. Done poorly, scrutiny can end up wasting time and resources on issues where the impact of any scrutiny work done is likely to be minimal.



- 3.3 As a result, the careful selection and prioritisation of work is essential if the scrutiny function is to be successful, add value and retain credibility.

4 Work Programme

- 4.1 Appendix 1 sets out the proposed draft work programme for this Committee. This provides information on the aims and objectives, together with lead officers and witnesses, for each item. This also includes items to be programmed where dates are still to be confirmed, and any outstanding items including the tracking of previous recommendations.
- 4.2 The work programme will be brought to each Committee meeting for review and to be updated.

5 Inquiry Proposal

- 5.1 Appendix 2 sets out the Inquiry proposal from the Economy and Skills Overview and Scrutiny Committee to be considered at the meeting of the Co-ordinating Scrutiny Committee on the 8th July. A verbal update will be provided on the decision made by the Co-ordinating.

6 Other Meetings

Call in Meetings

None
scheduled

Petitions

None
scheduled

Councillor Call for Action requests

None
scheduled

It is suggested that the Committee approve Wednesday at 1000 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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7 Forward Plan for Cabinet Decisions

The following decisions, extracted from the Cabinet Office Forward Plan of Decisions, are likely to be relevant to the Sustainability & Transport O&S Committee's remit. **Please note this is correct at the time of publication.**

Reference	Title	Portfolio	Proposed Date of Decision
007538/2020	Disposal of Surplus Properties	Leader	26 Jul 2022
009748/2022	Corporate Plan 2022 -2026	Leader	26 Jul 2022
010100/2022	Adoption of the Birmingham Design Guide Supplementary Planning Document	Leader	26 Jul 2022
007686/2020	Historic Environment Supplementary Planning Document	Leader	06 Sep 2022
009407/2022	Enterprise Zone Investment Plan 2022	Leader	06 Sep 2022
009663/2022	Promotion of Council Owned Land within Bromsgrove	Leader	06 Sep 2022
010150/2022	Adoption of Edgbaston Reservoir Masterplan Draft Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)	Leader	06 Sep 2022
010142/2022	Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) Refresh	n/a	11 Oct 2022
009892/2022	The Birmingham Plan Issues and Options Document Consultation	Leader	11 Oct 2022
010173/2022	Our Future City Plan 2040 – Draft Central Birmingham Framework	Leader	11 Oct 2022
010266/2022	Our Future City Framework and Delivery Plan	Leader	11 Oct 2022
009445/2022	City Centre Public Realm Improvement Scheme (CCPR) Full Business Case (FBC) phase 2	Transport & Environment	14 Feb 2023

APPENDIX 1

ECONOMY & SKILLS O&S WORK PROGRAMME 2022-23

Item/ Topic	Type of Scrutiny	Aims and Objectives	Lead Officer	Witnesses	Visits	Additional Information (Including joint working / links with other O&S Committees)
Date of Meeting: 13th July 2022				Final Deadline: Monday 4th July 2022 Publication: Tuesday 5th July 2022		
East Birmingham Inclusive Growth Strategy	Agenda Item	To keep up to date with the ongoing work in the area and identify further issues for scrutiny	Mark Gamble	Mark Gamble	None Required	The committee has regularly received 6 monthly updates since the approval for implementation.
Our Future City Plan: Shaping Our City Together	Agenda Item	To be appraised on the detail of plans and take part in future consultation and engagement and identify further issues for scrutiny	Simon Delahunty-Forrest	TBC	None Required	To link in with the work on East Birmingham and as outlined in June meeting and for members to have the opportunity to take part in proposed consultation and engagement activity related to the 'Central Renewal Area Plans' as raised during the discussion in June.
Work Programme Development	Decision	Approve work programme for 2022-23 Consider scope of Inquiry if agreed at Co-ordinating OSC on 8 July	Fiona Bottrill, Scrutiny Manager	None	None Required	

13.07.2022

Item/ Topic	Type of Scrutiny	Aims and Objectives	Lead Officer	Witnesses	Visits	Additional Information (Including joint working / links with other O&S Committees)
Date of Meeting: 14th September 2022			Final Deadline: Monday 5th September 2022 Publication: Tuesday 6th September 2022			
Leader	Agenda Item	Leader to set out priorities for the administration and key deliverables for 2022/23 and issues for further scrutiny within the remit of the Committee: Promotion of the city and Inward Investment Major projects Business Improvement Districts Economic growth and jobs Land Use Planning Council land use and property assets including appropriation West Midlands Combined Authority	Rebecca Grant	Cllr Ian Ward	None Required	
Inquiry on Employment & Skills – Scoping (TBC)	Agenda Item	TBC	Fiona Bottrill, Scrutiny Manager	None	None Required	If this Inquiry is agreed at the Co-ordinating OSC on 8 th July this would be the next opportunity to work with the committee to bring forward a Terms of Reference in relation to an inquiry on Employment & Skills levels in the city.

Item/ Topic	Type of Scrutiny	Aims and Objectives	Lead Officer	Witnesses	Visits	Additional Information (Including joint working / links with other O&S Committees)
Date of Meeting: 12th October 2022			Final Deadline: Monday 3rd October 2022 Publication: Tuesday 4th October 2022			
Skills Funding (TBC)	Agenda Item	To understand the current and future skills finding and identify any issues / risks	Tara Verrell	TBC	None Required	This item will inform the Skills Inquiry if this is approved by Co-ordinating OSC in July.

Item/ Topic	Type of Scrutiny	Aims and Objectives	Lead Officer	Witnesses	Visits	Additional Information (Including joint working / links with other O&S Committees)
Date of Meeting: 9th November 2022			Final Deadline: Monday 31st October 2022 Publication: Tuesday 1st November 2022			
Deputy Leader (TBC) Cabinet Member for Children, Young People & Families (TBC)	Agenda Item	Cabinet Portfolio priorities/responsibility in relation to employment & skills including apprenticeships Update on implementation of the recommendations from Breaking the Barriers report. Adult skills levels. Identify how apprenticeship opportunities can be made more accessible to encourage local people to take up including for those with SEND.		Deputy Leader, Cllr Brigid Jones, Promotion of the city and Inward Investment Council's lead on Levelling-Up, Devolution and WMCA Employment & Skills Employment Opportunities	None Required	Note cross-over with E&CS O&S around work with young people in schools on skills and those with SEN

				Cllr Karen McCarthy Youth Engagement and Youth Service Skills and Entrepreneurship in Schools		
Employment & Skills Inquiry – Evidence Gathering session (TBC)	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	Opportunity to invite young people, trainers, employers, colleges involved in this area if Inquiry agreed.

Item/ Topic	Type of Scrutiny	Aims and Objectives	Lead Officer	Witnesses	Visits	Additional Information (Including joint working / links with other O&S Committees)
Date of Meeting: 7th December 2022			Final Deadline: Monday 28th November 2022 Publication: Tuesday 29th November 2022			
Employment & Skills Inquiry – Evidence Gathering session (TBC)	TBC				None Required	

Committee	Item/ Topic	Type of Scrutiny	Aims and Objectives	Lead Officer	Witnesses	Visits	Additional Information (Including joint working / links with other O&S Committees)
Date of Meeting: 11th January 2023				Final Deadline: Monday 2nd January 2023 Publication: Tuesday 3rd January 2023			
Economy & Skills O&S Committee		Agenda Item				None Required	

Item/ Topic	Type of Scrutiny	Aims and Objectives	Lead Officer	Witnesses	Visits	Additional Information (Including joint working / links with other O&S Committees)
Date of Meeting: 8th February 2023			Final Deadline: Monday 30th January 2023 Publication: Tuesday 31st January 2023			

Item/ Topic	Type of Scrutiny	Aims and Objectives	Lead Officer	Witnesses	Visits	Additional Information (Including joint working / links with other O&S Committees)
Date of Meeting: 8 th March 2023			Final Deadline: Monday 27 th February 2023 Publication: Tuesday 28 th February 2023			

Item/ Topic	Type of Scrutiny	Aims and Objectives	Lead Officer	Witnesses	Visits	Additional Information (Including joint working / links with other O&S Committees)
Date of Meeting: 26 th April 2023			Final Deadline: Monday 17 th April 2023 Publication: Tuesday 18 th April 2023			

To be scheduled:

Item/ Topic	Type of Scrutiny	Aims and Objectives	Lead Officer	Witnesses	Visits	Additional Information (Including joint working / links with other O&S Committees)
Tracking for the recommendations agreed as part of	Monitoring Recommendations	To monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the Council-owned Asset Inquiry	Kathryn James			

the Council-owned Assets Inquiry report						
Invitation to Cabinet Members	Agenda Item	To outline priorities, key areas of work and to take part in areas of discussion linked to their respective portfolio	Respective CM and CSO			4 cabinet members: Leader, Deputy Leader, CM for Children Young People and Families and CM for Digital, Culture, Heritage and Tourism.
Commonwealth Games - Legacy for jobs & skills	Agenda Item/possible visit to view facilities	To understand post-Games how the facilities in Perry Barr will/have been utilised to provide and improve access to jobs and skills opportunities for local people. Further skills and training opportunities for staff and volunteers working at the Games.	TBC			This issue is also part of the work of the Commonwealth Games, Culture and Physical Activity Scrutiny Committee will cover on the legacy. Co-ordinating OSC to
Night-time economy & impact on city	Agenda Item	Opportunity to understand the differing needs of local centres around the city.	TBC			With reference to local areas and high streets post pandemic.
The role of universities in the city	Agenda Item	To understand the economic input and output of the city's 5 universities in respect of capital investment (infrastructure), as employers, attracting people to the city for study and work.				Retention of graduates has historically been identified as quite low. Has this changed? What is being done to retain more young people who come to study in the city to start their career and make it their home. Are more people coming here for work for example relocating from other big cities such as London, Manchester (are there any statistics that support more people coming to the city, possible data on house prices and purchasing?).

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						Link to Housing & Neighbourhoods O&S?
Engagement with Council for SMEs	Agenda Item	To understand how SME's can improve access to council procurement activity and identify barriers and opportunities for improvement.				Noted that Resources O&S has recently completed a report due to Council covering procurement

Appendix 2

Proposed by Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Economy and Skills Overview and Scrutiny Committee
Title of Inquiry / In-depth Scrutiny	Ensuring the skills agenda for Birmingham meets the needs of current and future employers and job opportunities
Aims and Objectives	<p>To understand the adult skills agenda for Birmingham and how training is funded, commissioned and provided and identify risks /issues.</p> <p>To understand the current and future job opportunities and needs for employers and to attract employers to the area and that residents in Birmingham benefit from these jobs.</p> <p>When scoping the review there could be a focus on specific sectors e.g. construction which would link with the aim to retrofit social housing and training a diverse workforce.</p> <p>Grand Challenges addressed: Unemployment, skills and the economy</p> <p>Corporate Plan Priorities: A city that is Prosperous and Inclusive</p>
Why is this Inquiry being proposed and desired Outcome?	<p>Information from the City Observatory shared at the informal meeting in June showed in December 2021 Birmingham performed poorly when compared with the employment rate of other authorities.</p> <p>Developing a skilled work force that is able to take up local job opportunities and attract new business is key to local economy and improving the income and living standards for residents.</p>
Other Relevant Information e.g. Links to other Overview & Scrutiny Committees	<p>This is a complex area of work involving local and regional partners including the WMCA.</p> <p>The scope of this work will need to be agreed with partners.</p>

