

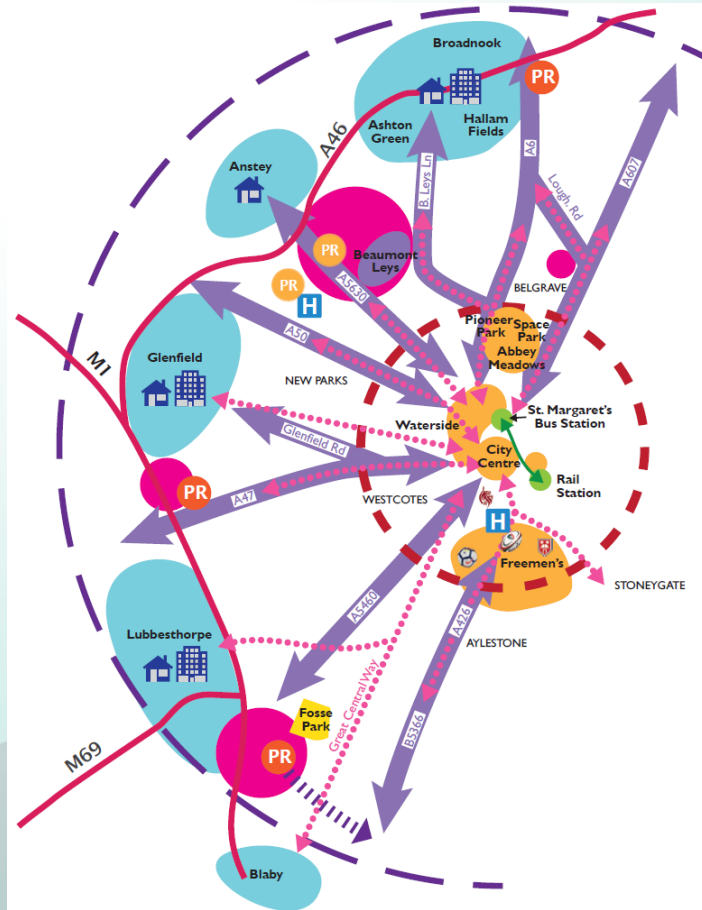
Connecting Leicester - Transforming Cities Fund Programme Update






22nd March 2022

Programme Overview

- TCF 2 programme aim was to deliver a transformational programme of public and active transport schemes to support sustainable economic growth in the city
- Aims to provide improved alternatives for commuters to travel by bus, cycle and walking
- LCC awarded £32m TCF, and secured £31m other external funds, with £7m LCC funding towards a £71m programme
- Programme completes mid-2024



Connected Leicester - Hub & Spoke Vision

-  Urban Growth Areas (underway/planned)
-  Regeneration Areas (housing/commercial)
-  Major Retail/Leisure Expansion
-  Existing out of centre employment areas
-  Connecting Leicester Neighbourhoods
-  Proposed Hub Improvement
-  Proposed Hub Link
-  Proposed Cycle/Walking Corridors
-  Proposed Bus Corridors
-  Orbital Bus Link - Soar Valley Way
-  10 minutes cycle time (155,000+ people)
-  30 minute bus travel time (500,000+ people)
-  Park and Ride
-  Proposed Park and Ride Site
-  Leicester Royal Infirmary
-  Leicester City FC
-  Leicester RUFC
-  Leicester University
-  De Montfort University

Theme 1 City Centre Hubs and Links
Theme 2: Park and Ride Hubs and Links
Theme 3: Green Growth Corridors
Theme 4: City Connectivity



Park and Ride - electric buses

- Electrification of 11 Park and Ride Buses
- launched into service May 2021



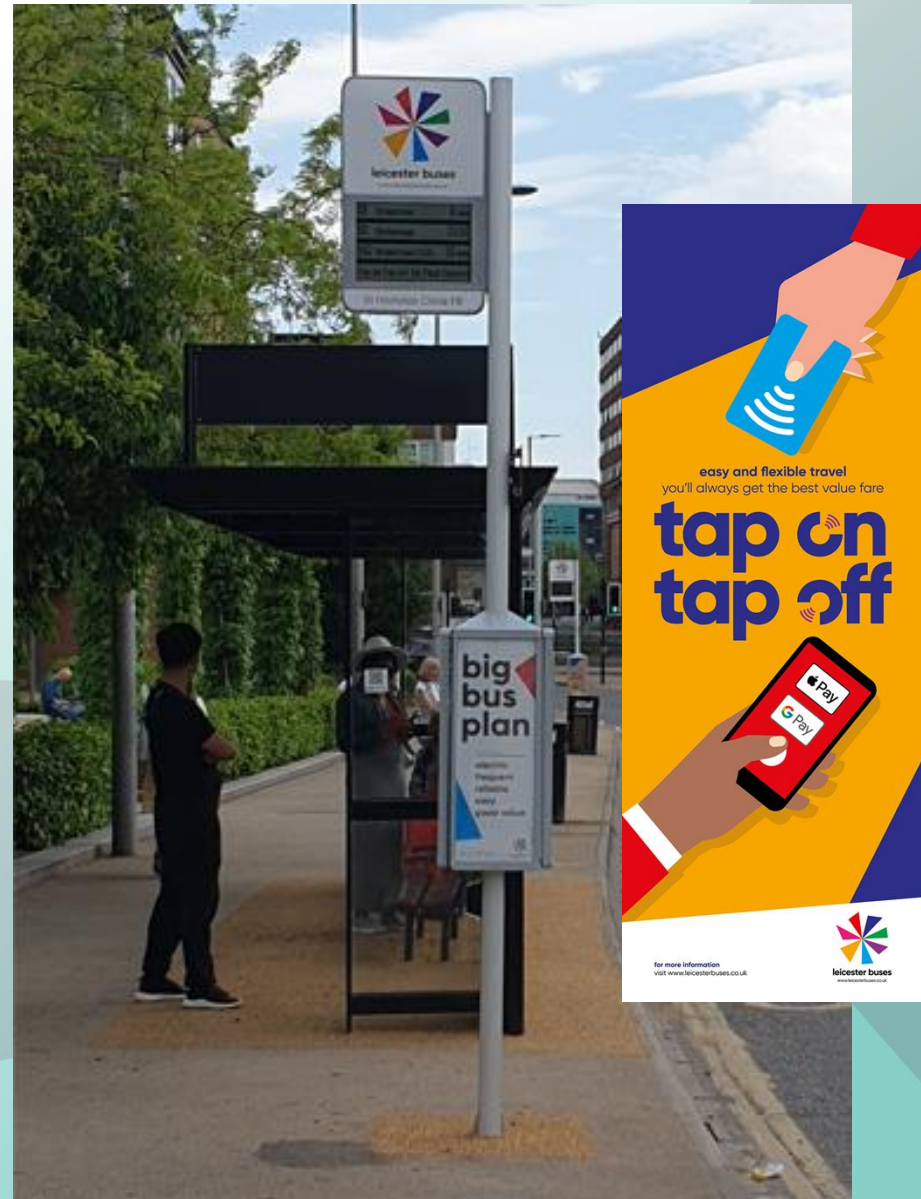
City Centre Hop

- 3 Electric City Centre buses
- Connects bus and rail stations, LRI, DMU, Shopping centre
- Free travel
- 18 month trial
- Launch on 14th March – service starts April 3rd



City Bus Infrastructure

- Real time bus information – installed 575 totems in first phase. Further 125 RTIs and 250 standard bus stop poles to deliver by Dec 2023
- Smart integrated ticketing – First area in the UK to have multi-operator tap-on tap-off best value fare capping



Parker Drive



- Walking and cycling scheme – widening paths and segregated routes
- Connecting A50 and A6 corridors to B. Leys area
- Parker Drive - works complete





Beaumont Leys Lane/Parker Drive
Improved segregated parallel zebra crossing

Connected Neighbourhoods - Beaumont Leys

Pedestrian and cycle improvement scheme, including closing of pedestrian subway and installation of a safe surface level crossing



Connected Neighbourhoods, Beaumont Leys.

Pedestrian underpass infilling



Before and after of Strasbourg Drive crossing area – Babbington School



Great Central Way

- Widening of cycling and walking corridor connecting adjoining neighbourhoods to city centre
- Phase 1 completed Spring 2021
- Phase 2 – start Feb 23 on Mossdale Meadows section then move on to Kingsway and Aylestone Meadows
- Complete Dec 23



Anstey Lane

Pedestrian/cycle improvement scheme connecting B. Leys area to City Centre – completed. Bennion Road Links to B Leys Centre 2023

Before



After



Abbey Park Road

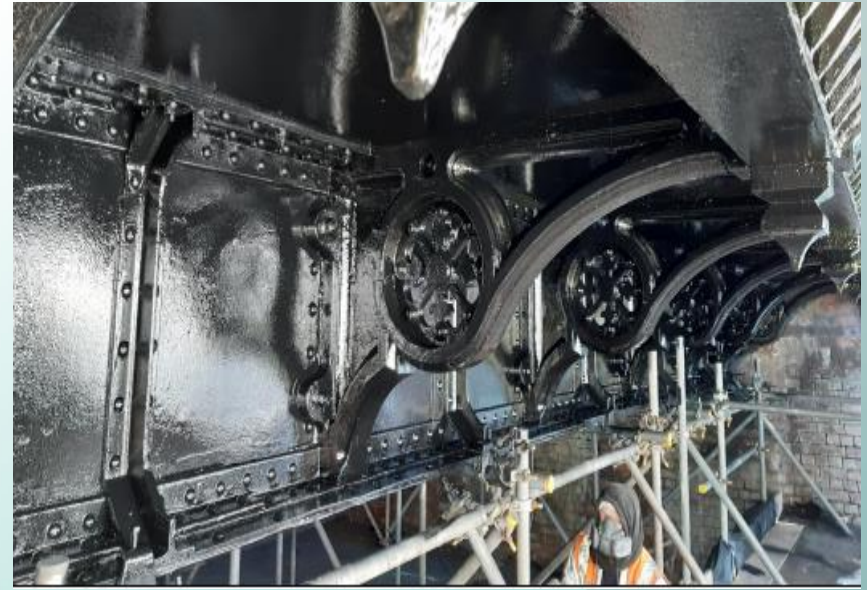
- Walking and cycling improvements linking A6 to Belgrave Rd - connects to Abbey Park and riverside
- New bus lane to reduce bus delay in general traffic

Progress

- New cycle and pedestrian bridge installed
- Highway and road bridge works nearing completion
- Utility works coordinated



Abbey Park Road Heritage Bridge Maintenance and Restoration



Melton Road

- Bus priority scheme
- Extension of bus lanes
- Utility diversions complete
- Bus lane and central island works complete
- Resurfacing of inbound lane from Troon Way to Lanesborough Rd - Summer 23



Braunstone Gate

Before



After



- Walking, cycling and bus priority scheme
- Supports local centre
- Completes by April 2023



Saffron Lane



- Walking and cycling scheme
- Section through Aylestone Rec complete
- Phase from Aylestone Road to Knighton Lane East complete Summer 23

A50 works – Great Central Street to Fiveways

- Walking, cycling and bus priority corridor improvement scheme
- Links with Waterside Regeneration
- Works on site 16th Jan 2023 – early 2024
- On programme
- Traffic management working well
- Local Business supportive



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A6 Corridor- Phase 1 Work Completed

- Ravensbridge Drive junction – bus lane extended
- Abbey Park Road/Blackbird Road junction – signal improvements
- Pioneer Close/Byford Way junction – signal improvements
- First Bus/Aldi junction – signals/extended right turn lane
- Exploration Drive/Byford Road junction – extended right turn lane

Before



After – additional capacity at Aldi jct



A6 Corridor

Before

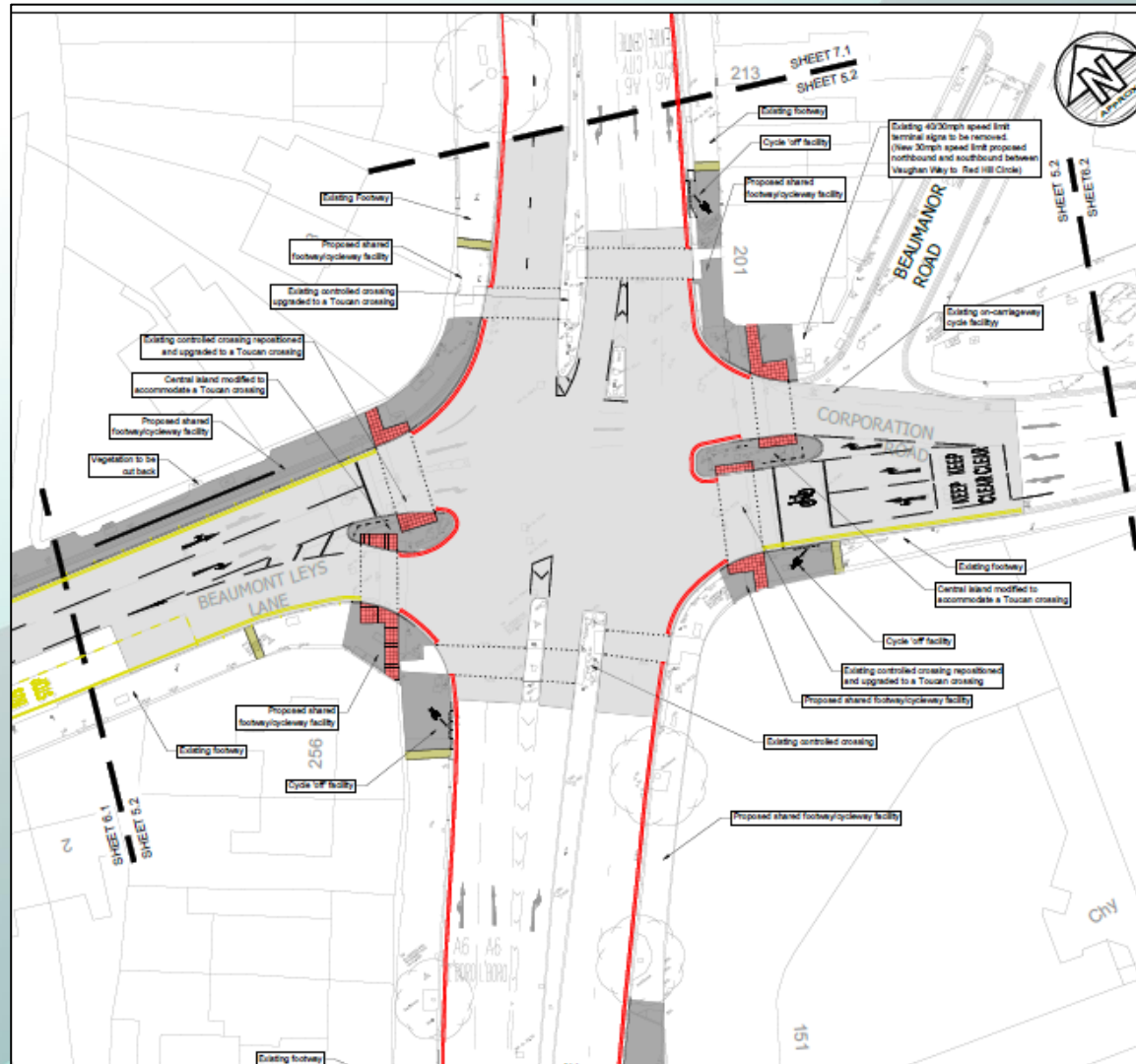


After - Extended right turn lane into Asda



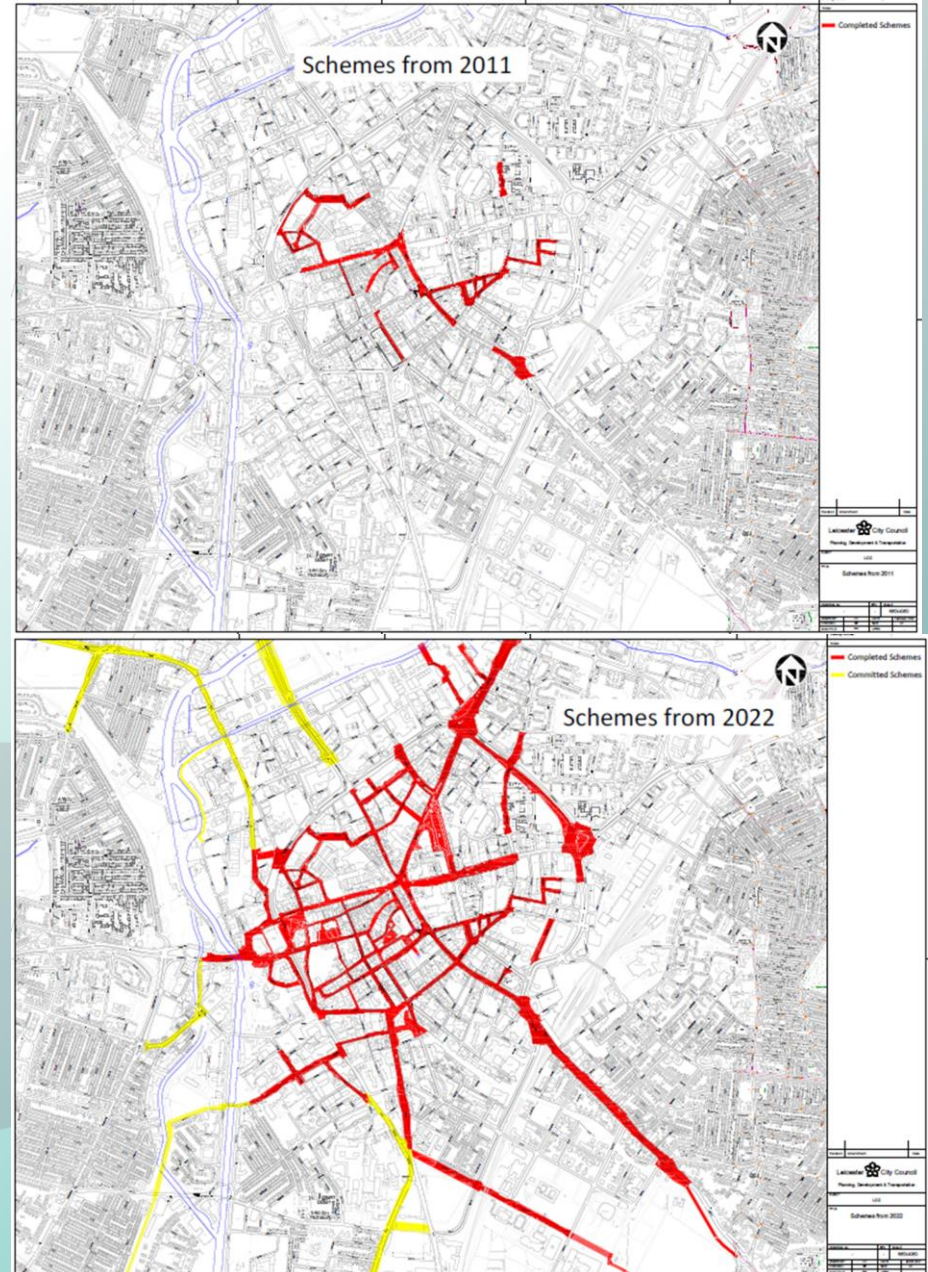
A6 Corridor | Next Phase

- The next phases of work programmed to start late Summer 2023:
 - Beaumont Leys Lane/Corporation Road junction
 - Segregated cycle lane on Beaumont Leys Lane linking to Parker Drive and Beaumont Leys
- Bus Lanes and red routes due Winter 2023
- 30 mph speed limit due by Winter 2023
- Additional cycleway links for A6 to riverside paths via Corporation Road and Pioneer Close by Winter 2023



Summary

- 12 of 18 schemes delivered by March 2023, with the remaining 6 completed by March 2024
- 10km of cycle lane delivered to date with a further 6km planned
- On programme to deliver of 4km of bus priority measures
- 18 new electric buses in service on P and R, Hospital Hopper and City Centre Hop by April 2023
- Bus user satisfaction levels are above 85%



- Active Travel England Capability Ratings for delivering walking and cycling schemes - Top 5 out of 79
- Transport Ticketing (Global) Awards - Best Smart Ticketing programme for Project Coral - LCC + bus operators
- EVIES – Public Transport Authority of the Year - EV adoption for buses
- Future Cities Forum Winter Awards 2022 - St Margaret's Bus Station winner, Infrastructure category

