

Contribution to 'Closing the Gap'

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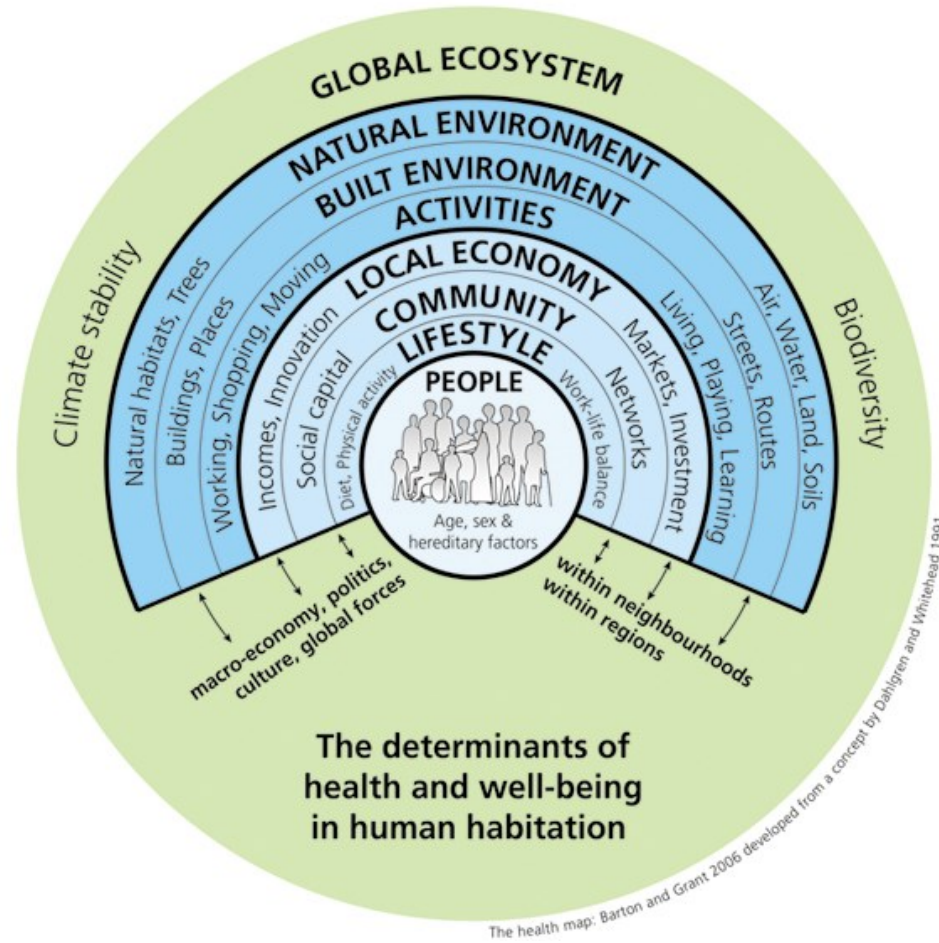
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Effective joint working

- Strategic and action planning
- Programmes and projects
- Bidding for external funds
- Monitoring

What makes someone Healthy?

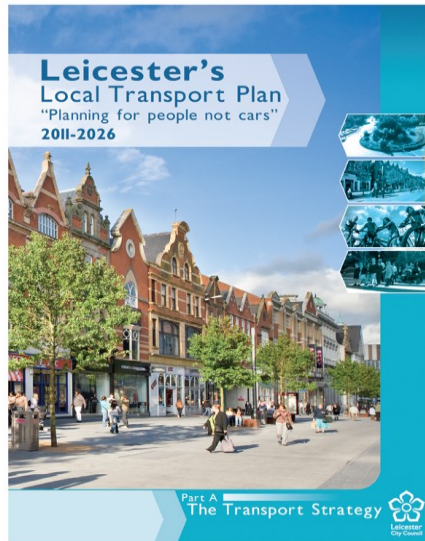


Leicester Local Plan Issues and Options

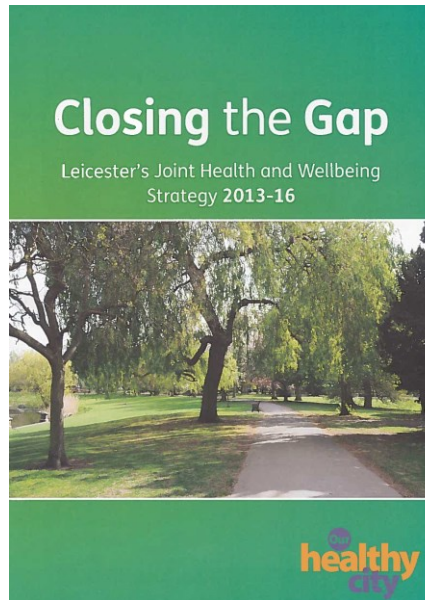
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 City Mayor



Linked plans



Leicester Economic Action Plan

A plan for jobs and growth: 2012 to 2020



City Mayor 

Linked priorities

Closing the Gap.....

Strategic Priority 1: Promote healthy weight and lifestyles in children and young people

Strategic Priority 2: Increase physical activity and healthy weight....improve the management of cardiovascular and respiratory disease..

Strategic Priority 4: Improve mental health and emotional resilience

Strategic Priority 5: Focus on the wider determinants of health through... partnership and community

Planning Health and Wellbeing

- Planning shapes the built and green environment in which people live
- Leicester is a compact and generally well connected city - Track record of well integrated land use and transport planning
- New Local Plan will bring together planning, transport, economic and health strategy – Place Shaping
- Committed to Health Impact Assessment as part of wider sustainability appraisal

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Planning Health and Wellbeing

- Infrastructure for sustainable development and growth.....
- Accessible development- Promote walking, cycling and buses
- Well designed, welcoming, safe built environment
- Protect and enhance natural features, sports facilities/ parks
- Supports neighbourhood/community facilities
- Support delivery of specific health infrastructure requirements
- partnership approach – planned delivery



Cycling Strategy 2014 – 2024

- Double the number of everyday cyclists by 2018
- Infrastructure, training, promotion and engagement
- Consultation ended
- 166 individual responses
- 75% agree with strategy
- Other 25% want to move faster and further
- Launched –Oct/Nov 2014

**Leicester
Cycle City**

**Action Plan
2014 – 2024**



Local Sustainable Transport Fund - Schools

Bikeability

- Up to 2000 children trained per annum
- Annual Schools Ride to Curve
- Excellent 2013/14 report from DfT



Bike It

- Promoting whole school culture of cycling
- 17 primary and 5 secondary
- Increase in cycling in participating schools:
 - 2012-13 from 3.7% to 18.4%
 - 2013-14 from 6.7% to 11.9%



Local Sustainable Transport Fund - Community

Cycling champions - 2013/14

- 2057 people engaged in cycling activities
- 703 – received cycle training
- 521 people received bike maintenance training

Cycleworks

bike maintenance training

- Opened July 2012
- 150 people attended courses so far
- 50 young people have attended courses through Sustrans



Local Sustainable Transport Fund - Schools

- Walk to School
- 57 schools signed up
- Primary 63% to 77%
- Secondary 60% to 71%



Local Sustainable Transport Fund - Community

Get Walking Keep Walking

- 12 week walking programme
- 2013/14
 - 1675 packs distributed
 - 560 people on a led walk



Personalised Travel Planning

- 2000 households – Beaumont Leys
- 38% sample reported a change in travel behaviour

Local Sustainable Transport Fund – Events

- Ride Leicester Festival
 - 18,000 participated in Ride Leicester Events
 - 3 Wheels 4 All events – special needs
- On target to deliver led rides to 1000 people



Local Sustainable Transport Fund - Business

- £150k travel grants given to 40 business
- Over 300 small businesses attended travel training workshops
- Over 50,000 employees given sustainable travel advice



Transport Infrastructure

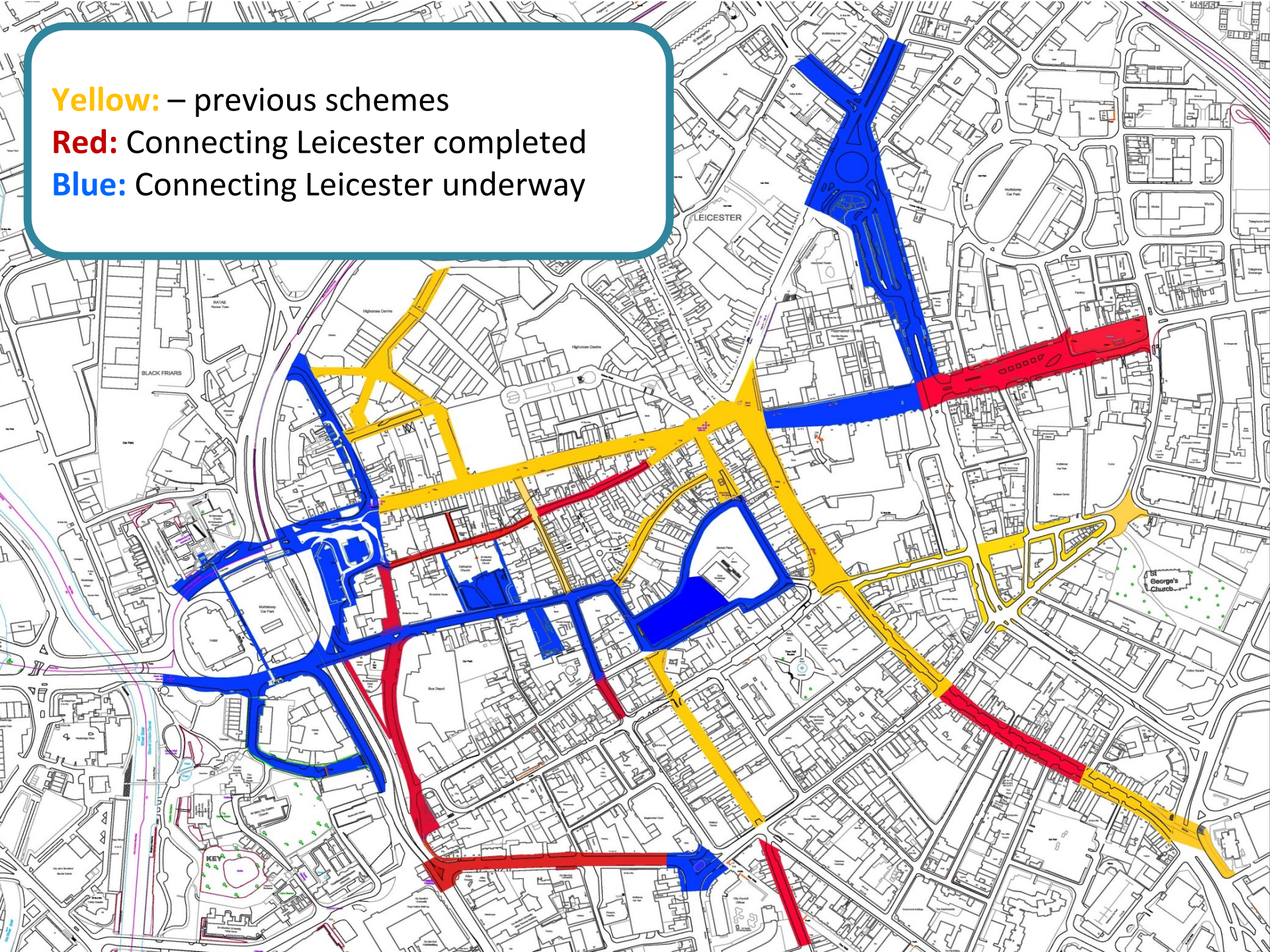
Connecting Leicester

- Reconstruction of streets to encourage walking and cycling
- Provision of new infrastructure to encourage cycling
- Provision of improved crossings of the Central Ring Road to encourage walking and cycling





Yellow: – previous schemes
Red: Connecting Leicester completed
Blue: Connecting Leicester underway



Transport Infrastructure work

- Removal of Belgrave Flyover – new safe cycle and walking routes
- North City Centre Accessibility Investment Area
- North West Leicester Transport corridor improvement programme – A50/A6
- Road Safety – 20mph schemes



Improving Air Quality

- Consultation draft Leicester Air Quality Action Plan from October – incorporates Public Health and Education Strategy
- Focus on Transportation
- Planned cycling, walking, bus infrastructure and behaviour change
- Funding granted for bus engine retrofit: 37 buses on Belgrave/Melton Road



Economic Action Plan - Nov 2012

Leicester to Work

- Getting people into employment and training – Jobs created: 3402
- Focus on young people
- Paid Work Experience - 'Step Up' – 230 supported/ further 200 planned
- Apprenticeships – 395 supported/ further 100 planned
- Adult Skills/Think Family – 477 supported

