

Press release

Green light for over 50 road and rail upgrades supporting over 39,000 new homes and 42,000 jobs

Commuters and businesses to benefit from quicker journeys as more than 50 road and rail upgrades are agreed.

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Better road & rail journeys across England



- 5 strategic road schemes and 5 key rail upgrades given government funding – supporting 42,000 jobs, paving the way for 1.5 million new homes as part of the Plan for Change, and rail enhancements will connect 50,000 more people to the rail network
- backed by over £92 billion from the Spending Review settlement, the government is delivering the biggest boost to England's transport infrastructure in a generation, and unlocking schemes that deliver for the taxpayer and drive growth
- wave of projects set to ease congestion, cut journey times and bring greater access to jobs and opportunities, making working people better off

Millions of commuters and businesses are set to benefit from quicker journeys, as more than 50 road and rail upgrades are given the green light – including the long awaited A66 Northern Trans-Pennine route and Portishead to Bristol city

centre rail line, the government has announced today (8 July 2025).

Working people will also gain better access to jobs and housing through these schemes, helping deliver the [Plan for Change](https://www.gov.uk/missions/economic-growth) (<https://www.gov.uk/missions/economic-growth>) to build strong foundations and kick-start economic growth, made possible by the government's investment unlocked in last month's [Spending Review](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/spending-review-2025-document) (<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/spending-review-2025-document>).

Five major road schemes in the north and Midlands are confirmed as funded including the M54 to M6 link road in Staffordshire, which will cut journey times and connect thousands to key economic hubs across the Midlands.

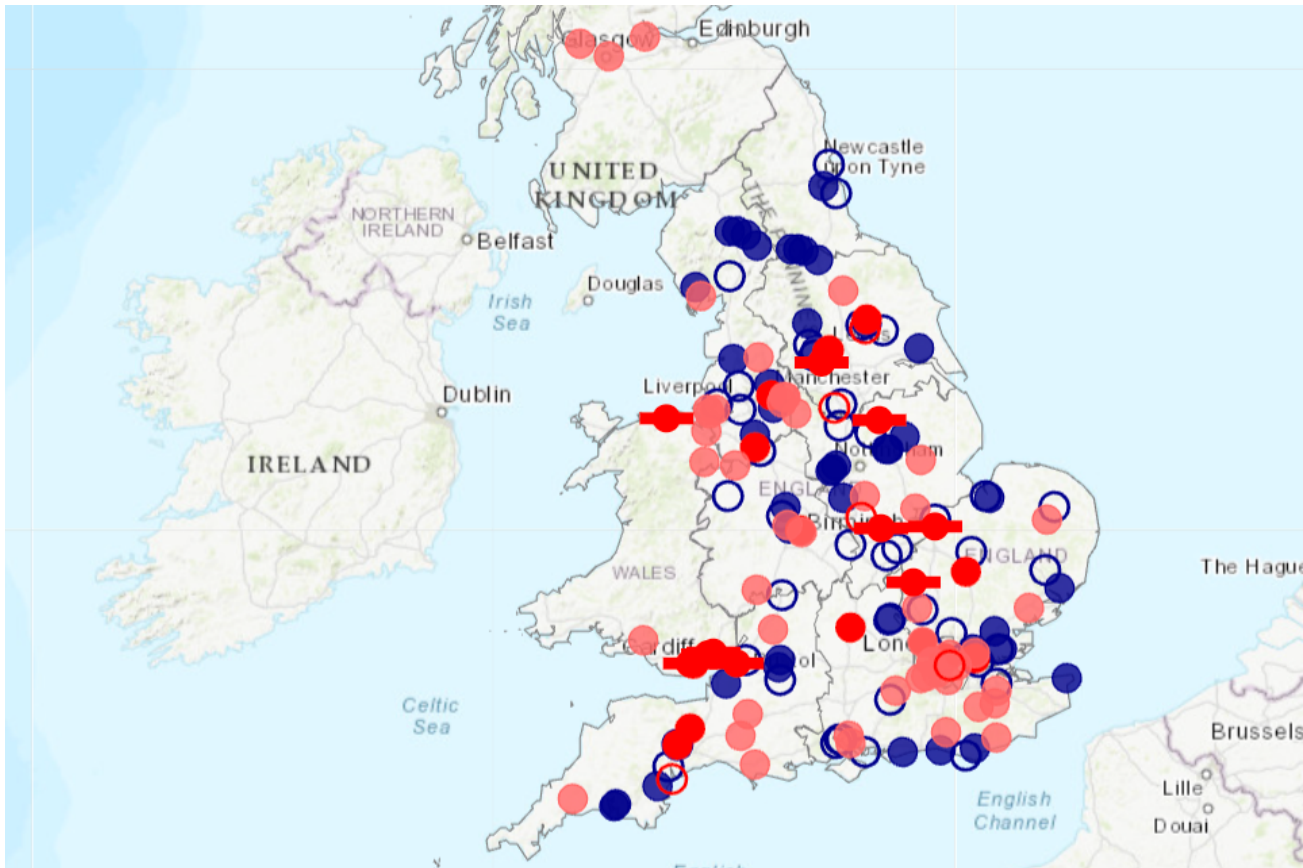
The M60/M62/M66 Simister Island (Greater Manchester), connecting to developments which could support 20,000 new jobs and 7,000 new homes if planning approval granted, has also been confirmed as funded, alongside the A38 Derby Junctions (Derby) which will support 15,400 new homes and A46 Newark Bypass in Nottinghamshire, which could support thousands of new jobs and homes, if planning approval is granted.

The long awaited A66 Northern Trans-Pennine will also be delivered and will cut journey times across the north, support over 10,000 new homes and connect millions across the region as a key national and international economic route.

The government is also announcing key rail projects across the country, including reinstating a passenger rail line between Bristol city centre and Portishead, which last ran over 60 years ago, delivering 3 brand new train stations, bringing thousands more people closer to a railway and funding a Midlands Rail Hub, creating brand new rail links for more than 50 locations.

Rail investment outside of London and the South East is long overdue, which is why the government is confirming additional

funding right across England and Wales, which will improve access to jobs and leisure and stimulate housing growth in the regions.



[Interactive map of road and rail investment schemes \(https://maps.dft.gov.uk/road-and-rail-investment-spending-review-2025/index.html\)](https://maps.dft.gov.uk/road-and-rail-investment-spending-review-2025/index.html)

[List of road and rail investment schemes](#)

[Transforming the UK’s road and rail networks \(https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/transforming-the-uks-road-and-rail-networks\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/transforming-the-uks-road-and-rail-networks), oral statement to Parliament, 8 July 2025

Transport Secretary Heidi Alexander said:

“Roads and railways are the backbone of our economy, which is why we are giving them the record funding boost they need, putting taxpayer’s money where it matters most and making every day journeys easier.

“With over £92 billion investment, including the biggest ever boost for city regions in the north and Midlands, we’re delivering the schemes that fast-track economic growth and jobs, connect communities, and will help us build 1.5 million new homes, as we deliver our Plan for Change.

“We’re forging ahead with the vital new transport infrastructure Britain needs, and improving what we’ve already got, to deliver a new era of renewal and opportunity.”

Over 42,000 new jobs and 39,000 new homes are estimated to be supported thanks to the funding committed for major road schemes, helping deliver the government’s Plan for Change to boost economic growth, and build 1.5 million more houses over 5 years.

Journey times will be slashed, saving commuters, businesses, and freight thousands of hours every week, and boosting economic growth across the whole country.

These new infrastructure commitments are backed by £92 billion of government funding to invest in more projects across England, including record levels of funding for upgrading our road and rail networks, extending the [£3 bus cap](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/3-national-bus-fare-cap) (<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/3-national-bus-fare-cap>), providing £1 billion to enhance the local road network and create a new structures fund.

To support local journeys, the government is also committing support to continue 28 local road schemes vital to connecting and growing communities. These schemes, which include the Middlewich Eastern Bypass and A382 Drumbridges to Newton Abbot schemes, are not motorways or trunk A-roads, but junctions, bypasses and traffic-easing projects which will improve millions of congested commutes and unlock further housing and jobs.

Of the £92.8 billion, the Chancellor has already announced £10.2 billion for rail enhancements, improving connectivity and

unlocking growth in key areas of the UK, which have for too long struggled with unreliable, infrequent services. This also includes £24 billion for motorways, trunk roads and local roads across the country.

Chancellor of the Exchequer Rachel Reeves said:

“These vital investments are long overdue, will transform local communities and improve living standards across the country.

“Investments like these are only possible because we took the right decisions to stabilise our public finances and changed the fiscal rules so we can invest in Britain’s renewal, grow the economy and put more money in working people’s pockets.”

In addition, the government is investing a further £27 million to reinstate passenger rail services between Portishead and Bristol city centre. The new hourly services will connect an additional 50,000 people to the rail network and support a significant new housing development.

Two new stations, Wellington and Cullompton, have been given the green light in the south-west of England, unlocking significant new housing developments and providing more chances for people to access Exeter to visit loved ones and benefit from increased leisure, education and employment opportunities. Similarly, a new station at Haxby will now be delivered, bringing an additional 20,000 people within 3 kilometres of the railway, providing easy access to the regional centres of York and Leeds.

The Midlands is also set to see a huge improvement to its rail services. The new Midlands Rail Hub will be the region’s biggest and most ambitious rail improvement scheme to date. Significant government funding will mean huge numbers of additional trains and extra seats can be added to the rail network in and out of Birmingham every single day. This will support new homes and create greener growth across the

Midlands while providing faster, more frequent and brand new rail links for more than 50 locations and creating almost 13,000 construction jobs.

Investment will also benefit existing rail users. The East Coast Main Line, which runs the length of the country, is already benefiting from an increase to capacity and frequency and will also receive new, upgraded digital signalling, boosting capability and resilience of the line, and reducing delays by one third. This rollout will support new digital skills in the rail sector and the creation of 4,800 new roles across the supply chain.

This continued funding for rail schemes up and down the country will open up access to jobs, grow the economy and drive up quality of life as the Plan for Change is delivered.

Logistics UK Head of Infrastructure and Planning Policy Jonathan Walker said:

“The schemes announced today are significant upgrades to national infrastructure and when complete will make supply chains more resilient and boost trade by keeping goods moving as efficiently as possible.

“80% of UK freight travels on roads at some point on its journey to the end user and congestion increases costs and makes journey planning highly unpredictable.

“An efficient national logistics network is critical to enable business to drive growth across the whole economy and ensures that the right goods are in the right place at the right time – whether that is a factory, office, hospital or doorstep.”

John Foster, Chief Policy and Campaigns Officer, CBI said:

“Improving transport connectivity is key to unlocking the productivity gains needed to deliver sustainable growth across the country. When businesses can move people,

goods, and services more efficiently, it helps them to reach new markets faster and attract the talent they need to grow. Today’s announcement is a welcome step forward and builds on a strong series of planning reforms aimed at delivering the long-term infrastructure the UK economy needs.”

List of road and rail investment schemes

Major Road Network (MRN)/Large Local Major Programme (LLM) schemes – funding confirmed

Scheme	Description
A259 (King’s Road) Seafront, Highway Structures (‘Arches’) Renewal Programme	Reconstruction of key structures, including arches and retaining walls supporting the upper seafront promenade forming part of the A259 coast road.
South East Aylesbury Link Road Continuing construction	Construction of a link between A413 Wendover Road and B4443 Lower Road linking directly into realigned A4010 being delivered through the HS2 Hybrid Bill.
Middlewich	New 2.5 km single carriageway bypass to the east of Middlewich between the A54 Holmes Chapel Road (access to M6 J18) and A533 (Booths Lane) at Tetton Bridge.
A382 Drumbridges to Newton Abbot	Improvements including highway realignment and widening, upgrading of four junctions (including two new

	roundabouts), a new 0.4 km link road, and 3.5 km of shared use pedestrian and cycle paths.
A164/Jock’s Lodge Junction Improvement Scheme Continuing construction	Package to improve junctions and create a new roundabout on the A1079 with dualling on the A164.
A22 Corridor Package (East Sussex)	Package to improve junctions in the south Wealden and Eastbourne area of East Sussex.
Army & Navy Sustainable Transport Package, Chelmsford	Programme to improve a key junction to the south east of Chelmsford. Expansion of two Park & Ride sites and Bus priority and active travel measures.
A127/A130 Fariglen Interchange Continuing construction	Programme to improve a major strategic junction in South Essex.
North Thanet Link (previously A28 Birchington, Acol and Westgate-on-Sea Relief Road)	Relief road providing an alternative route to A28 corridor, including widening and improvements to the existing Shottendane Road.
A582 South Ribble Western Distributor Upgrade	Reconfiguring key junctions along the A582 supported by technology improvements and active travel and bus improvements.

Dawson’s Corner and Stanningley bypass Continuing construction	Remodelling of signalised junction at ‘Dawson’s Corner’ and structural renewal of Stanningley Bypass.
A511 Growth Corridor	Package of measures, including improvements to 8 junctions, a dual carriageway and an extension to Bardon Link Road.
North Hykeham Relief Road	New dual carriageway to the south of the Lincoln urban area south of North Hykeham.
Gallows Corner (TfL scheme) Continuing construction	Replacement of life-expired infrastructure, originally designed as a temporary structure in the 1970s.
Tyne Bridge and Central Motorway A167 (M) Continuing construction	Major package of maintenance programmes to improve the Tyne Bridge and its associated trunk road, the Central Motorway East.
A10 West Winch Housing Access Road	New road to the east of West Winch, part dualling of A47 for a new housing development and traffic calming on the existing A10 road in the village.
A38 North Somerset (formerly Bristol Airport Access)	Improvement of four junctions.
A59 Kex Gill Continuing	New single-carriageway diversion of the existing A59 incorporating a climbing lane

construction	and associated junction changes to avoid areas prone to land slips.
A38 Manadon Interchange	Additional lanes on A38 off-slips on the A386 and on the A38 Parkway.
A374/A386/A364 Plymouth MRN Phase 1	Package of targeted improvements to key junctions including localised road widening.
A4123 Birchley Island	Major capacity improvement to the linked junctions of Birchley Island and M5 Junction 2.
A34 MRN Cheadle – Handforth Improvement Plan Phase 1 Continuing construction	Package of multiple improvements to A34 corridor in Stockport.
A12 Improvements (formerly A12 East of Ipswich and A12 Woodbridge schemes)	Package of seven junction improvements between the Seven Hills junction and Woods Lane.
A259 Bognor Regis to Littlehampton Enhancement	A programme to improve the A259 including Comet Corner junction and Bridge Road (Tesco’s) junction.
A595 Grizebeck Bypass Continuing construction	New single carriageway road between Chapels and Grizebeck on the A595 with a new junction with the A595/A5092.

A350 Chippenham Bypass Improvements - Phase 4 and 5 Continuing construction	Dualling of single carriageway sections to improve capacity and safety.
A350 M4 Junction 17 Improvements	A programme to improve capacity by installing traffic signals, widening lanes and altering slip roads.
A1237 York Outer Ring Road Dualling Ph 1	Dualling between the A19 at Rawcliffe and the A1036 Malton Rd at the Hopgrove junction with the A64.

MRN/LLM schemes – under consideration

Scheme	Description
A4174 MOD Roundabout Improvements	Improve three junctions on the A4174 in South Gloucestershire between Filton Roundabout and M32 Junction 1.
A326 Waterside Improvements	Improvements to the A326 Corridor connecting into the M27 at Junction 2 and serving the Waterside area of the New Forest.
A426/A4071 Avon Mill/Hunters Lane Improvements	Enlargement of Avon Mill roundabout/ provision of new roundabout at A426 Newbold Rd-Hunters Lane / new short length of dual carriageway between the two roundabouts including new bridge over the River Avon.
A454 between	Improvements to A454 Willenhall Road

Wolverhampton and East Park Gateway	and Walsall Street/Lower Walsall Street to improve existing infrastructure for all transport modes.
A509 Isham Bypass	Dual carriageway bypass of Isham village to improve capacity of A509 and links to A14.
A650 Tong Street	Carriageway widening to 2 lanes in each direction and improvements to active travel facilities.
Blyth Relief Road	New east to west relief road to relieve capacity constraints on the A193 to the north of Blyth and the A1061 to the south.
Ely to Cambridge A10 Improvement (Dualling and Junction Improvements)	Upgrading the A10 route to dual two-lane standard and improving capacity and reliability of the junctions.
Shalesmoor Gateway	Replacement of existing Shalesmoor roundabout and widening carriageway links; and upgrades to junction at Rutland Road/Penistone Road.
Sheffield Innovation Corridor Road	A new 3.7km transport and active travel corridor broadly parallel to the M1 between J34 (s) to J33 and running from the A630 at Catcliffe to the A6109 at Meadowhall.
Wigan East West	New east-west strategic route connecting J26 of the M6/M58 motorways with the A579 and providing an alternative link to the M61 J5 via the existing network (A577 / A58).

A229 Blue Bell Hill Improvements	Upgrade of junctions at either end of Bluebell Hill: A229/M2 J3 and A229/M20 J6.
A31 Farnham Corridor	On-line A31 underpass constructed at Hickley’s Corner. Replacement of traffic signals with a roundabout with slip lanes connecting to the A31.
A10 Corridor Scheme, Broxbourne	A10 junction improvements plus supporting sustainable transport measures.
A1079 Improvement Scheme, Wilberfoss	A new 2.2km dual carriageway on the A1079 at Wilberfoss including a new junction to improve access from Wilberfoss onto a key strategic route.
A1139 University Access	New north-facing on and off slips from the A1139 Fletton Parkway to facilitate access to the new university.
A1237 YORR dualling Phase 2 – Wetherby Rd to A19	Upgrade of single carriageway A1237 Outer Ring Road to dual carriageway standard from the junction with Wetherby Road, to the west of the City, to the junction with the A19, to the north.
A127 Corridor for Growth – Route Improvements	A package of active mode, highway and public transport improvements on the A127 between M25 Junction 29 and Noak Bridge, Essex.
A140 - A1120 Earl Stonham	Local bypass of Earl Stonham village.
A17 Pullover Junction	Improvement to the existing A17/A47 junction to alleviate congestion through grade separation.

A259 South Coast Road Corridor	Measures to enhance access to public transport and active travel facilities alongside localised road and junction capacity improvements.
A43 Northampton – Kettering Phase 3	Phase 3 of dualling of the A43 between the A45 and A14. Duals the stretch between Overstone Grange Roundabout and Holcot/Sywell Roundabout.
City Centre Road, Portsmouth	Upgrades to the MRN coming into the city from the M275.
M5 Junction 9 (OBC Development Costs only)	New or upgraded M5 Junction 9 plus bypass of Ashchurch on A46 (near Tewkesbury).
M5 J28	Improvements to junction to mitigate impacts of Culm Garden Village development.
Sunderland Strategic Transport Corridor Phase 4	Improvements to the A1231 between the new bridge over the River Wear and the junction with the A19.
Vauxhall Way Improvements (Phase 1)	Dualling the existing Vauxhall Way to increase capacity.
Northam Rail Bridge	Provision of a new, widened, replacement bridge on the A3024 corridor in Southampton.
A379 Bridge Road (formerly Exeter Outer Ring Road)	Major structural renewals on a key arterial route over the River Exe.

West Quay Road Realignment, Southampton	Realignment of West Quay Road by segregating through traffic using the “Inner Ring Road” from access only traffic accessing the city centre.
A614/ A6097 Corridor Scheme	Improvements to six junctions along the A614/A6097 corridor between the A46/A6097 junction at Bingham and the A614/A617/A6097 Ollerton roundabout junction.
Warrington Western Link Road	3km link road to the SW of Warrington Town Centre connecting the northern and southern communities of Warrington and providing new connection over the Manchester Ship Canal.
Norwich Western Link	New link to the west of Norwich.
Shrewsbury North Western Relief Road	New 7.3km single carriageway road linking the northern and western parts of Shrewsbury, including a new bridge over the River Severn and its flood plain, and a new bridge over the Chester/Shrewsbury railway line.
A500 Dualling	Dualling a 3.3km section of the A500 plus associated works to increase the capacity of the A500/A531/B5742 junction to the west.
Kendal Northern Access Route	New road linking the A591 Windermere Road to the A6 Shap Road north of Kendal in South Lakeland district of Cumbria.
A350 Melksham	Bypass of A350 to divert traffic away

Bypass	from the existing sub-standard route through Melksham and Beanacre.
Chesterfield Staveley Regeneration Route	6km single-carriageway with parallel provision for non-motorised users, connecting Chesterfield to allocated regeneration sites and to proposed HS2 Infrastructure Maintenance Depot at Staveley.
Aylesbury Eastern Link (Buckinghamshire)	3.7km road linking the A418 and A41 with adjoining shared cycleway.
Shipley Eastern Congestion Relief Road (Bradford)	Traffic congestion improvements to the south-eastern quadrant of Shipley.
A13/ A126 East Facing Slip Roads (Thurrock)	Simplifying the access on the A126/A13 junction by providing new eastern access from the A13.
Rocket Junction (Liverpool)	Replacement of signalised junction with an at-grade gyratory with a ‘hamburger’ layout; provision of an underpass for through traffic to/from M62; and improvements to nearby junctions. Scheme under review by council and subject to change.

Strategic Road Network (SRN) schemes – funding confirmed

Scheme	Description
A66 Northern Trans-	Dualling of the remaining single-carriageway sections of the A66 between the M6 Junction

Pennine	40 and A1(M) Junction 53, and improvements to the junctions at Penrith and Scotch Corner.
A38 Derby Junctions	Replacement of three roundabouts on A38 with grade-separated interchanges.
A46 Newark Bypass – subject to planning approval	Dualling of 6.5km of existing A46 single carriageway between Farndon and Winthorpe roundabouts.
M60/M62/M66 Simister Island – subject to planning approval	Improving capacity of the intersection between the M60 Junction 18, M62 and M66.
M54 to M6 Link Road	New dual carriageway link road between the M54 Junction 1 and M6 Junction 11.

SRN – cancellations

- A12 (Chelmsford to A120) improvement
- A47 Wansford to Sutton

Rail Network Enhancement Pipeline (RNEP) schemes – funding confirmed

Scheme	Description
TransPennine Route Upgrade	The Spending Review confirmed £3.5 billion to drive forward the delivery of the TransPennine Route Upgrade to improve

connectivity and reduce journey times between Manchester and Leeds.

East West Rail to Cambridge

The Spending Review confirmed £2.5 billion to drive forward the delivery of East-West Rail to unlock growth across the Oxford-Cambridge Growth Corridor.

Midlands Rail Hub

The Spending Review confirmed funding to progress the next stage of Midlands Rail Hub, strengthening connections from Birmingham across the West Midlands and to other regions.

New rail schemes for Wales

The Spending Review confirmed £445 million for rail investment in Wales. This will support the development and delivery of the priorities of the Wales Rail Board. This includes funding to progress: Cardiff Central modernisation, South Wales Relief Lines upgrade, Wrexham to Liverpool line congestion relief, Cardiff West Junction Capacity, New stations in South Wales (Burns stations), Accessible footbridges on North Wales Mainline, and unallocated development funding for the Wales Rail Board to identify new priorities

Adding capacity at Oxford

Works to add capacity and support new services at Oxford will continue. This scheme will support our plans for housing and employment growth in the area as part of the Ox-Cam Growth Corridor strategy. It will provide significant freight benefits allowing up to an additional 10 trains per day as well as completing the remodelling of the crucial Botley Road into Oxford.

Improving Leeds Station

Works at Leeds Station to transform passengers' experience, addressing

Programme	congestion and improving facilities ahead of the completion of the Transpennine Route Upgrade which will provide additional services into the station will continue. The scheme will add a new bridge between platforms, a new southern entrance, an improved concourse and an extended platform 14, making it easier for passengers to move about the station and make their vital connections.
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Improving services in the Leeds area	Works around Leeds to improve services will continue. These will support additional services to and through Leeds, ease congestion, and improve reliability for passengers in the area. Services into Leeds have been overstretched for too long and this scheme will address these issues, reducing delays for passengers. The programme has already delivered a new LNER service between London and Bradford and ongoing work will allow for longer trains and greater capacity at Leeds, meaning better connectivity for people in the region.
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Transforming rail services across Manchester	The series of schemes to transform rail across Greater Manchester and improve services in the area will continue. The scheme will improve stations in the area including greater capacity and better circulation for passengers at Manchester Victoria and Manchester Piccadilly and a third platform at Salford Crescent. It also remodels tracks and signalling to provide for longer trains and more reliable and frequent services across Manchester and beyond.
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Reinstating	Providing support for West of England
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passenger services to Portishead (part of Metrowest)	Combined Authority and North-East Somerset Council’s plan to reinstate passenger rail services between Portishead and Bristol city centre. This will provide a new line and stations that will connect an additional 50,000 people to the rail network, supporting economic growth and providing connectivity to planned housing in the area.
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New station at Wellington	Building a new station at Wellington, that will provide new connections to regional centres, supporting economic growth and planned housing in the area. This supports significant expansion plans for the town and the new station and services will be critical to allowing local people to access jobs at major employment centres such as Exeter.
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New station at Cullompton	Building a new station at Cullompton, that will provide new connections to regional centres, supporting economic growth and planned housing in the area. This supports significant expansion plans for the town and the new station and services will be critical to allowing local people to access jobs at major employment centres such as Exeter.
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Reopening of Haxby station	Reopening a station at Haxby on the York to Scarborough line, providing a rail connection for the town for the first time in 100 years, supporting sustainable, accessible transport to the North of York and beyond. The 20,000 residents within 2.4km of the new station will no longer have to rely on roads to travel to economic centres such as York and Leeds and the station could support prospective
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developments for 3,155 homes.

**A new station
at Cambridge
South**

Completing the delivery of a new railway station at Cambridge South. This will support the Cambridge Biomedical Campus and Southern Fringe development as well as future East West Rail Services. This will drive economic growth by providing connectivity and a sustainable travel option for an area estimated to provide 27,000 jobs and 4,000 new homes by 2031.

**Improving East
Coast
performance
through digital
signalling**

Continuing to upgrade the East Coast Main Line to digital signalling. This landmark programme will set the blueprint for signalling improvements across the country, providing a safer, more reliable and better performing East Coast Main Line. It will provide real time information and has the potential to reduce delays by one third, whilst also creating 4,800 new roles across the rail supply chain and establishing the development of digital skills across the rail sector.

**Improving
performance
on the West
Coast (north)**

Continuing to invest in the power supply on the northern end of the West Coast Main Line to improve performance on the route, enable the introduction of new electric services and support future growth. This extra power will enable the roll out of Northern's electric fleet, electric freight growth, HS2 and smoother, more reliable timetables with fewer delays for passengers and freight.

**Improving
performance**

Investing in increasing power supply on the southern end of the West Coast Main Line,

on the West Coast (south)	to enable the introduction on new electric services supporting future growth and improving performance on the route. This intervention will enable a second London-Liverpool service and allows for a smooth running of upcoming timetable.
Capacity and frequency improvements on the East Coast	Continuing to invest in the upgrades to the East Coast Main Line. These will deliver increased capacity and frequency on long distance services, a reduction in journey times and support the rollout of electric rolling stock along this vital route. The extra capacity from the new LNER Azuma fleet and the additional services between London and Edinburgh, Leeds and Newcastle will be delivered with the December 2025 timetable.
Electrification from Kettering to Wigston	Electrification of the Midland Main Line between Kettering and Wigston was completed earlier this year and will allow trains which can run on both diesel and electric, to run on electric power between St Pancras and Wigston. The Spending Review has confirmed the funding for successful completion of any remaining works and closure of the project.
Redevelopment of Euston station	Improving the existing Euston station alongside the HS2 scheme, which will promote growth in both the local area and nationally with thousands of new homes, jobs and opportunities for businesses to thrive. This scheme will take advantage of the massive investment in the new station for HS2 to provide a new spacious concourse and enhanced experience for passengers on the existing national network, and those transferring to the

London Underground and new HS2 services.

Nexus signalling renewals	Development of a new signalling system on the Tyne and Wear Metro. This scheme is not a part of the RNEP. It is being delivered by Nexus.
Protecting future services between Old Oak Common station and the Chiltern Line	Ensuring that the option to connect the Chiltern line to Old Oak Common station is preserved as part of the development plans for the station and surrounding area. This means that the new station is future-proofed for potential new connections to the Midlands and North by other routes, which could provide greater capacity and options for passengers.

Rail schemes – under consideration

Scheme	Description
York Area Capacity and Performance	The York Area Capacity and performance project has been paused until the wider strategy for the ECML – aligned with Northern Powerhouse Rail aspirations – can be developed further. The benefits to passengers of the York scheme would only be realised as part of a wider package of investment on the East Coast Main Line, which seeks to increase capacity between York and Newcastle. This will be kept under review so that the scheme can be delivered in the most effective way in future.
South West Rail	The delivery of the final phase of the South West Rail Resilience Programme is on hold

Resilience Programme Ph5 (SWRRP Ph5)	but preliminary works to support cliff monitoring and drainage are progressing. We have already invested significantly in securing the cliffs and making the coastline more resilience in the South West and need to focus our investment on other projects around the country. We will keep this scheme under review as the preliminary works complete and for funding at future fiscal events.
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Midland Mainline Electrification Phase 3 (RNEP)	The next phase of electrification of the Midland Main Line has been paused. Due to rising costs and the substantial electrification that has already been delivered, we are prioritising our funding on other schemes over the Spending Review period. We will continue to keep the potential for full electrification of the route under review as part of our plans to decarbonise our railways and as funding becomes available in future.
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Peckham Rye Station Congestion Relief (RNEP)	The congestion relief scheme at Peckham Rye station is being paused during this Spending Review period. We have had to prioritise our funding on the schemes that will make the greatest difference for passengers and economic growth as soon as possible. The scheme will be kept under review as part of our pipeline of schemes for potential progression in future as funding becomes available.
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Rail Access for All feasibility studies

- Aigburth
- Ash Vale

- Battle
- Bellgrove
- Bodmin Parkway
- Bredbury
- Bushey
- Castle Cary
- Chinley
- Church and Oswaldtwistle
- Colchester North
- Dalston Kingsland
- Dorchester South
- Dudley Port
- Dumbarton Central
- Esher
- Falkirk Grahamston
- Flowery Field
- Gunnersbury
- Hedge End
- High Brooms
- Inverurie
- Kew Bridge
- Kidbrooke
- Leagrave
- Ledbury
- Maidstone West
- Marden
- Neath

- Newton for Hyde
- Port Sunlight
- Raynes Park
- Rock Ferry
- Ruabon
- Shotton
- Sileby
- Sleaford
- Small Heath
- South Croydon
- Stamford
- Stroud
- Swanwick
- Thirsk
- Ulverston
- Upminster
- Walton
- Whitchurch (Shropshire)
- Wivelsfield
- Wymondham
- Yeovil Junction

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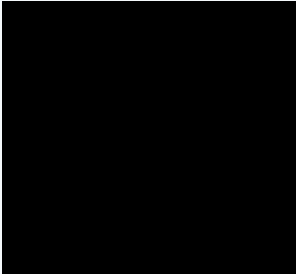
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