

£32 million announced to transform Norwich's transport network

News story

Roads Minister announces new investment in Norwich's transport links.



- city to receive £32 million from the Transforming Cities Fund
- money will boost the local economy, opening up jobs, services and giving residents greater access to the city
- funding package is part of the government's wider commitment to levelling up and accelerating transport infrastructure investment across the country

Roads Minister, Baroness Vere has today (25 September 2020) announced just over £32 million of government funding to overhaul local transport links in Norwich, transforming how residents use and access the city.

Funding from the Transforming Cities Fund (TCF) will be used to improve and develop important local transport links, including a new bus interchange at Norfolk and Norwich University Hospital which will help to improve what has been a congestion hotspot for motorists.

Further projects proposed by Norfolk County Council include improvements to cycle and pedestrian crossing facilities at the Mile Cross Ring Road, and a redesign of the Heartsease Highway Junction, enabling bus operators to provide more efficient and reliable services while also improving cyclist and pedestrian use of the junction.

Changes brought in through the TCF funding will help improve journey times, cut pollution, and boost the local economy by giving residents greater access to jobs and services.

Roads Minister, Baroness Vere said:

The Transforming Cities Fund allows cities across the UK to enhance

their local transport networks. This multi-million-pound funding package will make a real difference to the everyday lives of Norwich's residents, helping people access jobs and services.

As a government we're committed to levelling up transport infrastructure across the country, boosting local economies, enhancing local connectivity and enabling regions to build back better from COVID-19. Today's funding will do just that, transforming how Norwich residents get about the city.

The TCF was set up to build on transport links and boost local economies within city regions, and it's hoped the funding package will help Norwich bounce back from the economic impact of coronavirus.

Today's announcement follows a previous grant of £6 million awarded to Norfolk County Council last year.

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