

# PART ONE: INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENT SUMMARY

Phasing Key:

Complete	Committed / funding mechanism in place	Not yet committed to and/or funded but reasonable prospect of future delivery	Longer term / aspiration	✓: Expected scheme completion	>: Scheme on-going
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Category	IDP	Item	Key \$15,500,000  Not quantified  Key Not quantified  Desirable Not quantified  Not quantified  Not quantified  Not quantified  Xey Not quantif		Policy Area			
	Reference				-		2024/25- 2028/29	
Affordable Housing	<u>DWI.1</u>	Direct Public Investment in Affordable Housing	Key	£15,500,000	>	>	>	District Wide
<u>Energy</u>	<u>DWI.5</u>	Power Generation & Distribution	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
	DWI.6	Gas Supply	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
	<u>DWI.19</u>	District Heating	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
	<u>DWI.28</u>	Renewable Energy Infrastructure	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
	<u>DWI.33</u>	Retrofitting Existing Dwellings	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
	<u>DWI.34</u>	Infrastructure for local energy crop processing and distribution	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
	<u>DWI.41</u>	Smart Meter Rollout	Key	Not quantified	>	✓		District Wide
	<u>BI.3i</u>	New on-site primary sub station at Bath Western Riverside	Key	Not quantified			✓	Bath
	<u>BI.3</u> j	Decommissioning of Gas Holder at Bath Western Riverside & replacement of storage capacity	Key	£4,100,000	✓			Bath
	<u>BI.7</u>	Bath Centre District Heating Network	Key	£5,010,224	>	>	>	Bath
	<u>BI.8</u>	Bath Enterprise Area District Heating Network	Key	£5,448,996	>	>	>	Bath

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	Reference				2014/15- 2018/19	2019/20- 2023/24		
	<u>BI.9d</u>	Gas infrastructure at MOD Foxhill site	Key			>	>	Bath
	<u>BI.23</u>	New on-site primary sub station at Bath University	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath
	<u>BI.27c</u>	Gas infrastructure at MOD Ensleigh site	Key	Not quantified		>	>	Bath
	<u>BI.28b</u>	Gas infrastructure at MOD Warminster Road site	Key	Not quantified		✓		Bath
	<u>BI.41d</u>	Renewable energy infrastructure at Odd Down Urban Extension	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath
	<u>KI.9</u>	Keynsham District Heating Network	Key	£970,181	>	>	>	Keynsham
<u>Education</u>	<u>DWI.3a</u>	Early Years provision	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
	DWI.3b	Primary Education	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
	<u>DWI.3c</u>	Secondary and Sixth Form Education	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
	<u>DWI.20</u>	Further Education	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
	<u>DWI.21</u>	Higher Education	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
	<u>BI.3a</u>	New early years facility and Primary School at Bath Western Riverside (Crest Nicholson)	Key	c. £4,000,000		✓		Bath
	<u>BI.9a</u>	New early years facility and primary school at MOD Foxhill site	Key	c. £4,000,000		>	>	Bath
	<u>BI.21</u>	New primary school and early years facility at Bath Western Riverside (BWR Other)	Key	c. £4,000,000	>	>	>	Bath
	<u>BI.27b</u>	New primary school at MOD Ensleigh site (and other educational requirements)	Key	c. £4,000,000	>	>	>	Bath
	<u>BI.41a</u>	Educational Infrastructure for Odd Down Urban Extension	Key	c.£2,500,000	>	>	>	Bath
	<u>BI.42</u>	Educational Infrastructure for Central and River Corridor and MoD	Key	c.£2,500,000	>	>	>	Bath

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	Reference				2014/15- 2018/19	2019/20- 2023/24	2024/25- 2028/29	
		Warminster Road						
	<u>BI.43</u>	Weston All Saints CofE Primary School expansion	Key	£1,800,000	✓			Bath
	<u>BI.44</u>	St Saviours CofE Primary School expansion	Key	£1,800,000	✓			Bath
	<u>BI.45</u>	Oldfield Park Junior school	Key	£300,000	✓			Bath
	<u>BI.46</u>	Moorland Infant and Junior schools	Key	c.£2,500,000	✓			Bath
	<u>BI.47</u>	Construction Skills Academy	Desirable	£10,000,000	>	>	>	Bath
	<u>MNRI.27</u>	Additional Early Years, Primary & Secondary Education capacity in Midsomer Norton	Key	£4,000,000	>	>	>	Somer Valley
	<u>MNRI.31</u>	Additional Early Years, Primary & Secondary Education capacity in Radstock	Key	£2,500,000	>	>	>	Somer Valley
	<u>MNRI.32</u>	Additional Early Years, Primary & Secondary Education capacity in Paulton	Key	£2,215,000	>	>	>	Somer Valley
	<u>KI.7</u>	New early years facility and primary school at Somerdale	Key	c. £4,000,000	>	>	>	Keynsham
	<u>KI.16</u>	Additional Early Years, Primary & Secondary Education capacity in Keynsham	Key	£2,500,000	>	>	>	Keynsham
	<u>KI.20a</u>	Educational Infrastructure for East of Keynsham Urban Extension	Key	c. £4,000,000	>	>	>	Keynsham
	<u>KI.22</u>	Castle Primary School Expansion	Key	£990,000	>	>	>	Keynsham
	<u>RI.10</u>	Additional Early Years, Primary & Secondary Education capacity in the Rural Areas	Key	£2,500,000	>	>	>	Rural areas
	<u>RI.14a</u>	Educational Infrastructure for Whitchurch Urban Extension	Key	c. £800,000	>	>	>	Rural areas

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	Reference					2019/20- 2023/24	2024/25- 2028/29	
	<u>RI.15</u>	Saltford C of E Primary school expansion	Key	£750,000	✓			Rural areas
<u>Health</u>	DWI.4	Acute Care	Key	£38,752,000	>	>	✓	District Wide
	<u>BI.3b</u>	New GP surgery at Bath Western Riverside	Key	£1,500,000		✓		Bath
	<u>BI.9f</u>	New Primary Care Facility at MOD  Foxhill site	Key	£1,500,000		>	>	Bath
	<u>RI.11</u>	Redevelopment of Paulton Hospital	Desirable	£8,000,000	>	>	>	Rural areas
<u>Minerals &amp;</u> <u>Waste</u>	<u>DWI.2a</u>	Residual and other waste treatment facilities	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
	DWI.2b	Council/Public Waste & Recycling Facilities	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
	BI.3h	Relocation of Midland Road civic waste facility	Key	£4,600,000	>	<b>✓</b>		Bath
	<u>BI.13</u>	Former Fuller's Earth Works Residual Waste Treatment Site	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath
	<u>KI.15</u>	Broadmead Lane Residual Waste  Management Site	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham
	<u>KI.19</u>	Relocation of waste transfer station to Pixash Lane	Key	£7,200,000	>	✓		Keynsham
<u>Water &amp;</u> <u>Drainage</u>	<u>DWI.7</u>	District Wide Water Supply	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
	DWI.8	Waste Water	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
	<u>DWI.39</u>	Flood Risk and Drainage	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
	<u>BI.2</u>	Improvements to Flood Defences of Bath City Centre and Riverside Corridor	Key	£5,100,000	>	✓		Bath
	<u>BI.3c</u>	Floodplain storage compensation works at Bath Western Riverside	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath
	<u>BI.9e</u>	Water infrastructure at MOD Foxhill site	Key	Not quantified		>	>	Bath

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	Reference					2019/20- 2023/24	2024/25- 2028/29	
	<u>BI.40</u>	Weston Catchment Flood Alleviation Scheme	Key	£1,900,000	>	>	>	Bath
	<u>BI.41e</u>	Sewage infrastructure requirements at Odd Down Urban Extension	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath
	<u>BI.48</u>	Pulteney Weir / Decommissioning of Radial Gate	Key	£5,800,000	>	✓		Bath
	MNRI.9	Improvement to off site sewerage & to Radstock Sewage treatment works	Desirable	c.£1,000,000	>	>	>	Somer Valley
	<u>MNRI.30</u>	Coombend Culvert and Stream Improvements	Desirable	£2,100,000	✓			Somer Valley
	<u>KI.2</u>	Flood Protection Measures for Somerdale site	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham
	<u>KI.3</u>	Improvements to Sewerage Capacity at Keynsham	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham
	<u>KI.20d</u>	Water Drainage at East of Keynsham Urban Extension	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham
	<u>KI.20e</u>	Sewage infrastructure requirements at East of Keynsham Urban Extension	Key	Not quantified	>	<b>&gt;</b>	>	Keynsham
	<u>KI.21d</u>	Pluvial/Surface Water Flood mitigation at South of Keynsham Urban Extension	Key	Not quantified	>	<b>&gt;</b>	>	Keynsham
	<u>KI.21e</u>	Sewage infrastructure requirements at South of Keynsham Urban Extension	Key	Not quantified	>	>	<b>&gt;</b>	Keynsham
	<u>RI.14d</u>	Sewage infrastructure requirements at Whitchurch Urban Extension	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Rural Areas
<u>Green</u> Infrastructure	<u>DWI.9</u>	Playing Pitches	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
	<u>DWI.10</u>	Green Space (Formal, Natural &	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide

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	Reference					2019/20- 2023/24	2024/25- 2028/29	
		Allotments)						
	<u>DWI.11</u>	Children's Play areas	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
	<u>DWI.12</u>	Strategic Green Infrastructure	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
	<u>DWI.35</u>	Infrastructure for local food growing, distribution and processing	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
	<u>DWI.36</u>	Kennet & Avon Canal Infrastructure	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
	<u>BI.3g</u>	New riverside park at Bath Western Riverside	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath
	<u>BI.6a</u>	Riverside enhancements as part of GDS.1/B16 Hilton Hotel / Podium / Cattlemarket site	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath
	<u>BI.9c</u>	Green Infrastructure associated with MOD Foxhill site	Key	Not quantified		>	>	Bath
	<u>BI.17</u>	Replacement of allotments at Southbourne Gardens, Fairfield Park	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath
	<u>BI.20</u>	Riverside walkway enhancements associated with Avon Street Car and Coach Park redevelopment	Key	Not quantified			>	Bath
	<u>BI.27d</u>	Green infrastructure at MOD Ensleigh site (including ecology)	Key	Not quantified		>	<b>√</b>	Bath
	<u>BI.27e</u>	Replacement of sports pitches at MOD Ensleigh site	Key	Not quantified		>	✓	Bath
	<u>BI.33</u>	Walcot Riverside Walk	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath
	<u>BI.41c</u>	Green infrastructure at Odd Down Urban Extension (including ecology)	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath
	MNRI.6	Midsomer Norton Town Park	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Somer Valley
	<u>KI.4</u>	Enhance Keynsham Hams as a Wetland Habitat	Key	Not quantified	<b>&gt;</b>	>	>	Keynsham
	KI.8a	Green Infrastructure route along River Chew and River Avon corridor	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham
	KI.8b	Improvements to the Memorial Park	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham

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	Reference					2019/20- 2023/24	2024/25- 2028/29	
	<u>KI.20c</u>	Green infrastructure at East of Keynsham Urban Extension (including ecology)	Key	Not quantified	>	>	<b>&gt;</b>	Keynsham
	<u>KI.21c</u>	Green infrastructure at South of Keynsham Urban Extension (including ecology)	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham
	<u>RI.14b</u>	Green infrastructure at Whitchurch Urban Extension (including ecology)	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Rural areas
<u>Transport</u>	<u>DWI.26</u>	Great Western Mainline Electrification & Intercity Express Programme	Key	National cost £5.2 billion	>	✓		District Wide
	<u>DWI.27</u>	Smarter Choices Interventions	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
	<u>DWI.29</u>	ITSO Smart Ticketing for all local bus services	Desirable	Total cost £9,410,000	✓			District Wide
	<u>DWI.30a</u>	WEST LSTF Large Project Initial Proposals	Key	£3,100,000	✓			District Wide
	DWI.30b	LSTF Extension to 2015/16	Key	£643,000	✓			District Wide
	<u>DWI.37</u>	Signal improvements at Bath Spa & Bristol area	Desirable	Not quantified	✓			District Wide
	<u>DWI.38a</u>	MetroWest Rail Project Phase 1: Bath Spa to Severn Beach or Portishead hourly service including new turnback facility at Bathampton	Key	£2,760,000	>	<b>√</b>		District Wide
	<u>DWI.38b</u>	MetroWest Rail Project New Stations Package: new station at Saltford	Desirable	£5,500,000		>	<b>√</b>	District Wide
	<u>BI.1</u>	Bath Transport Package	Key	£26.898,000	✓			Bath
	<u>BI.3d</u>	New vehicular bridge across the River Avon (Destructor Bridge)	Key	£3,200,000		✓		Bath
	<u>BI.3e</u>	New pedestrian bridge across the River Avon at Western Riverside	Desirable	£1,500,000			✓	Bath
	<u>BI.3k</u>	Windsor Bridge Road Improvements	Desirable	£170,000	✓			Bath

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	Reference				2014/15- 2018/19	2019/20- 2023/24	2024/25- 2028/29	
	<u>BI.3I</u>	Re-routing Pinesway gyratory	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath
	<u>BI.3m</u>	Victoria Bridge reopening	Key	£3,400,000	✓			Bath
	<u>BI.9b</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with MOD Foxhill site	Key	Not quantified		>	>	Bath
	<u>BI.10c</u>	Relocation of Manvers Street Car Park	Key	Not quantified		>		Bath
	<u>Bl.12b</u>	Bath Recreation Ground River Bridge	Desirable	£1,500,000	>	<b>√</b>		Bath
	<u>BI.15</u>	Rossiter Road Transport Scheme	Desirable	£1,800,000	✓			Bath
	<u>BI.16</u>	A36 bus lane	Desirable	£3,000,000	>	✓		Bath
	<u>BI.18</u>	Highway works associated with Somerset Place	Key	Not quantified	✓			Bath
	<u>Bl.19</u>	Highway works associated with Bath Press site	Key	Not quantified	✓			Bath
	<u>BI.24</u>	Highway works associated with Alexander House, Norfolk Place site	Key	Not quantified		<b>√</b>		Bath
	<u>BI.25</u>	Highway works associated with Lower Bristol Road, Eastern Part site	Key	Not quantified			✓	Bath
	<u>BI.26</u>	Highway works associated with Lower Bristol Road, Unigate Dairy site	Key	Not quantified			✓	Bath
	<u>BI.27a</u>	Highway works associated with MOD Ensleigh site	Key	Not quantified		>	✓	Bath
	<u>BI.28a</u>	Highway works associated with MOD Warminster Road site	Key	Not quantified		✓		Bath
	<u>BI.29</u>	Highway works associated with The Harvester, Gloucester Road site	Key	Not quantified	✓			Bath
	<u>BI.30a</u>	New pedestrian bridge across the River Avon at Bath Quays	Key	£2,500,000	<b>√</b>			Bath
	<u>Bl.30b</u>	Relocation of Bath Quays Coach Park	Key	£750,000	✓			Bath

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	Reference					2019/20- 2023/24		
	<u>BI.30c</u>	Re-routing Green Park Road	Key	£3,800,000	>	✓		Bath
	<u>BI.30d</u>	Avon Street Multi-Storey Car Park replacement	Key	£8,750,000	>	✓		Bath
	<u>BI.31</u>	Highway works associated with the Nursery Building, Powlett Court site	Key	Not quantified		✓		Bath
	<u>BI.35</u>	Bus/Cycle/Pedestrian link Locksbrook Road to Windsor Bridge Road	Desirable	£200,000		<b>√</b>		Bath
	<u>BI.36a</u>	Temporary Bus Based East of Bath Park and Ride	Key	£10,000,000		>	>	Bath
	<u>Bl.36b</u>	Bathampton Station & permanent P&R site	Desirable	£46,000,000		>	✓	Bath
	<u>BI.38</u>	A36/A46 Link	Desirable	£65,000,000	>	>	>	Bath
	<u>BI.39</u>	Post Bath Package expansion of Newbridge, Odd Down and Lansdown Park & Ride sites	Desirable	£6,500,000		>	>	Bath
	<u>BI.41b</u>	Highway works associated with Odd Down Urban Extension	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath
	<u>BI.49</u>	Better Bus Area Projects	Desirable	£600,000	✓			Bath
	<u>BI.50</u>	Relocation of Weston Island Bus Depot	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath
	MNRI.4	Midsomer Norton Transport network improvements	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Somer Valley
	MNRI.5	Radstock Transport network improvements	Key	£1,556,000	✓			Somer Valley
	<u>MNRI.11</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Hazel Terrace site	Key	Not quantified	✓			Somer Valley
	<u>MNRI.12</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Radstock County Infants School site	Key	Not quantified	✓			Somer Valley
	<u>MNRI.13</u>	Highways infrastructure associated	Key	Not quantified	✓			Somer Valley

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	Reference					2019/20- 2023/24		
		with Old Pit Yard, Clandown site						
	<u>MNRI.14</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with St Peters Factory, Jewsons site	Key	Not quantified	✓			Somer Valley
	<u>MNRI.15</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Welton Bibby Baron site	Key	Not quantified		✓		Somer Valley
	<u>MNRI.16</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Martins Block site	Key	Not quantified		✓		Somer Valley
	<u>MNRI.17</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with South Road Car Park site	Key	Not quantified		✓		Somer Valley
	<u>MNRI.18</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Alcan site	Key	Not quantified		✓		Somer Valley
	<u>MNRI.19</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Charltons, Frome Road site	Key	Not quantified		✓		Somer Valley
	<u>MNRI.20</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Old bakery, Waterloo Road site	Key	Not quantified		✓		Somer Valley
	<u>MNRI.21</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Library / Youth Club / Church Street Youth Club site	Key	Not quantified		✓		Somer Valley
	<u>MNRI.22</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Coomb End North site	Key	Not quantified	>	✓		Somer Valley
	<u>MNRI.23</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Clandown Scrap Yard site	Key	Not quantified	✓			Somer Valley
	<u>MNRI.24</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Paulton Builders Merchants site	Key	Not quantified	✓			Somer Valley
	<u>MNRI.25</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Paulton Printing Factory site	Key	Not quantified	>	✓		Somer Valley
	<u>MNRI.26</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Wellow Lane site	Key	Not quantified	✓			Somer Valley
	<u>KI.5</u>	Highways Infrastructure associated with Somerdale site	Key	Not quantified	✓			Keynsham
	<u>KI.6a</u>	Improvements to Keynsham Railway	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham

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	Reference				2014/15- 2018/19	2019/20- 2023/24		
		Station						
	<u>KI.6b</u>	New ramp at Keynsham Railway Station	Desirable	£415,000	✓			Keynsham
	<u>KI,11</u>	Pedestrian/ Cycle Bridge over the A4 at Keynsham	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham
	<u>KI.13</u>	Improved Cycle Links (Keynsham Greenways)	Key	£1,100,000	>	✓		Keynsham
	<u>KI.17</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with the Town Hall site	Key	Not quantified	✓			Keynsham
	<u>KI.20b</u>	Transport Infrastructure for East of Keynsham Urban Extension	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham
	<u>KI.21b</u>	Transport Infrastructure for South of Keynsham Urban Extension	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham
	<u>RI.3</u>	Farmborough village shop pedestrian link	Desirable	£150,000	<b>✓</b>			Rural areas
	<u>RI.6</u>	A37 Clutton and Temple Cloud  Bypass	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Rural areas
	<u>RI.7</u>	A37 Whitchurch Bypass	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Rural areas
	<u>RI.8</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Wheelers Yard, North Road, Timsbury site	Key	Not quantified	✓			Rural areas
	<u>RI.9</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Brookside Drive, Farmborough site	Key	Not quantified	✓			Rural areas
	<u>RI.12</u>	Step free access to Freshford Station	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Rural areas
	<u>RI.13</u>	A4 Saltford Bypass	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Rural areas
	<u>RI.14c</u>	Transport Infrastructure for Whitchurch Urban Extension	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Rural areas
<u>Leisure</u>	<u>DWI.16</u>	Leisure & Culture	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
	<u>DWI.17</u>	Built Sports Facilities	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
	<u>BI.12a</u>	Redevelopment of Bath Recreation	Desirable	Not quantified	✓			Bath

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		ground							
	<u>BI.12c</u>	Bath Sports and Leisure Centre	Desirable	£8,000,000	>	>	>	Bath	
	<u>KI.23</u>	Keynsham Leisure Centre Redevelopment	Desirable	£6,000,000	>	>	>	Keynsham	
<u>Public Realm</u>	<u>DWI.18</u>	Public Realm & Movement Programme	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide	
	<u>BI.3f</u>	Enhanced pedestrian facilities, new paths and cycleways at Bath Western Riverside	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath	
	<u>BI.10b</u>	Provision of a significant new public space at Manvers Street	Desirable	Not quantified		✓		Bath	
	<u>BI.37</u>	Orange Grove Public Realm Improvements	Desirable	£2,000,000	>	>	>	Bath	
	<u>MNRI.28</u>	Midsomer Norton High Street Public Realm Improvements	Desirable	£2,000,000	>	>	>	Somer Valley	
	<u>KI.12</u>	Town Centre and Somerdale Public Realm Improvements	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham	
Community Facilities	<u>DWI.22</u>	Youth Services	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide	
	<u>DWI.23</u>	Police	Desirable	Not quantified	✓			District Wide	
	<u>DWI.24</u>	Fire	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide	
	<u>DWI.31a</u>	Broadband Improvements	Desirable	£ 2,724,000	>	✓		District Wide	
	DWI.31b	SMART City Infrastructure (Bath), and District Wide, including NGA (Next Generation Access) communications networks.	Key	c.£5,000,000	>	<b>√</b>		District Wide	
	<u>DWI.32</u>	Public Toilet Provision	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide	
	<u>DWI.40</u>	Community Libraries and 'Library Links'	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide	
	<u>BI.10a</u>	Re-provision of the Royal Mail Bath Delivery Office	Key	£4,700,000		✓		Bath	

Category	IDP	Item	Status	<b>Estimated Cost</b>	Phasing			Policy Area	
	Reference					2019/20- 2023/24	2024/25- 2028/29		
	<u>BI.10d</u>	Relocation of Manvers Street Police Station	Desirable	£3,000,000	✓			Bath	
	<u>BI12.d</u>	Improve the Pavilion	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath	
	<u>BI.22</u>	Relocation of Bath Ambulance Station	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath	
	<u>BI.32</u>	Community Facility associated with the Former St. Marys School site	Desirable	Not quantified		<b>√</b>		Bath	
	<u>MNRI.29</u>	Community Facility at Victoria Hall, Radstock	Desirable	£250,000	>	>	>	Somer Valley	
	<u>KI.10a</u>	New library and Council one-stop shop	Desirable	Not quantified	✓			Keynsham	
	<u>KI.10b</u>	Re-provision of Fry Club	Desirable	Not quantified	✓			Keynsham	
	<u>KI.10c</u>	New community facility	Desirable	Not quantified	✓			Keynsham	
	<u>KI.14</u>	Relocation of the Fire Station	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham	
	<u>RI.5</u>	New Village Hall at Batheaston	Desirable	£750,000	>	>	>	Rural areas	
Schemes Completed Since 2011/12	BI.4	Capital improvements to Bath Spa Train Station	Complete	£10,000,000	Complete (2014)  Complete (2014)  Complete  Complete (2013)		Bath		
	BI.11 & MNRI.8	West of England Key Commuter Routes LSTF Key Component Bid	Desirable	£750,000			Bath / Somer Valley		
	Bl.14	Weston All Saints Primary School: New buildings	Complete	£3,600,000			Bath		
	<u>BI.34</u>	Sixth Form accommodation at St Gregory's Catholic College	Desirable	£2,776,000			Bath		
	<u>MNRI.10</u>	Midsomer Norton Primary School: New buildings	Complete	£2,300,000		Complete		Somer Valley	
	<u>KI.18</u>	New 6 court sports hall at Wellsway School	Complete	£2,747,000	Complete		Keynsham		
	<u>RI.4</u>	Batheaston Primary School – new buildings	Complete	£2,150,000	Complete		Rural areas		
	<u>RI.2</u>	New GP surgery at Chew Stoke	Complete	£3,000,000		Complete		Rural areas	

Category	IDP	Item	Status	Estimated Cost	Phasing	Policy Area
	Reference				2014/15-	
	<u>DWI.13</u> & <u>MNRI.2</u>	Greater Bristol Bus Network Improvements	Complete	£78,800,000	Complete	District Wide
	<u>DWI.15</u>	Two Tunnels Greenway	Complete	£1,900,000	Complete	District Wide
	<u>MNRI.7</u>	Five Arches Greenway Scheme	Complete		Complete	Somer Valley
	RI.1	New library in Paulton	Complete	£300,000	Complete	Rural areas



### **PART TWO: MAIN REPORT**

# Introduction

- 2.1 Infrastructure in the UK is a network of networks which form the backbone of the economy. These interdependent networks are well-developed, sophisticated and have evolved over several centuries. Investing in infrastructure is important for economic growth and can have a positive effect on economic activity through a range of different channels:
  - Unlocking additional investment that relies on the new facilities in order to be viable:
  - Increasing output per hour;
  - Increasing the number of effective hours worked each year;
  - Increasing the employment rate;
  - Increasing aggregate demand through the construction phase of projects; and
  - Attracting international investment
- 2.2 Infrastructure is also intrinsically linked to new development. New businesses and the expansion of communities require new connections to utility and communications networks, which can place extra demands on strategic and local transport services and have implications for environmental risks and conditions. Local Authorities need confidence that new housing will be supported by infrastructure and infrastructure providers need confidence in the certainty of new housing delivery before making investment decisions.
- 2.3 The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) states that Local Authorities should work with other authorities and providers to:
  - Assess the quality and capacity of infrastructure for transport, water supply, wastewater and its treatment,

- energy (including heat), telecommunications, utilities, waste, health, social care, education, flood risk and coastal change management, and its ability to meet forecast demands; and
- Take account of the need for strategic infrastructure including nationally significant infrastructure within their areas.
- Infrastructure Delivery Plans (IDPs) are therefore required as an evidence base to support the Core Strategy and subsequently a Planning Obligations Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) and/or Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL). A robust evidence base will depend on the periodic updating of costs and reappraisal of financing options as infrastructure programmes and individual projects progress. This will require collaborative working with private sector bodies, utility and infrastructure providers as responsibility for infrastructure is fragmented across a wide range of public agencies, private sector bodies and tiers of government who perform regulatory as well as delivery responsibilities. Local Planning Authorities are, therefore, one of many stakeholders in the process. However, with the continuation of the government's localism agenda, Local Authorities are well placed to be the 'ring-master' in coordinating the overall infrastructure planning agenda.
- 2.5 Good infrastructure planning considers the infrastructure required to support development, costs, sources of funding, timescales for delivery and gaps in funding. This allows for the identified infrastructure to be prioritised in discussions with key local partners. The infrastructure planning process should identify, as far as possible:
  - Infrastructure needs and costs
  - Phasing of development
  - Funding sources
  - Responsibility for delivery

- 2.6 Infrastructure Delivery: Spatial Plans in Practice (CLG, 20081) recommended that Local Authorities produce an 'infrastructure programme' which should be treated as a living document to be amended as and when required to keep it up to date.
- 2.7 Much social and community infrastructure is specific to a local planning authority area, reflecting local service priorities and catchments. However, many critical service infrastructures like transport, energy and water supply are delivered through wide area networks that extend well beyond the boundaries of any single local planning authority. In these instances, infrastructure investment 'plugs in' new development to the benefits of the wider networks that include national road travel, distant power stations and water treatment plants. The nature of these networks has led to the government creating a new pathway through the planning system for Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects (NSIPs) via the Planning Inspectorate.
- 2.8 The functionality of infrastructure networks will mean that geographic relationships will change according to the type of service being provided. Consequently, planning for flood defences within a river catchment area or coastal area would ideally require different boundaries compared to the travel to work boundaries serviced by a transport network. It is not possible to define an infrastructure planning boundary that suits all infrastructure types, however, inviting organisations with wider geographical remits to participate in the infrastructure planning process will help to ensure that broader issues are identified and addressed. Within the spatial planning field, the least-well understood infrastructure sectors are the utilities; namely water and sewerage; and electricity and gas. These industries are relatively complex in statutory make-up, spatial remit and their

- respective regulatory frameworks. Understanding the structure of the industry, the nature of the forecasting activities of these companies and the information they prepare as a matter of course provides the basis for further engagement.
- 2.9 Financial resources will rarely meet all the identified needs for infrastructure and there will inevitably be a requirement to phase and prioritise projects across an area.
- 2.10 At this stage in the process projects are being prioritised within the IDP rather than being formally appraised for funding approval so judgements may be subject to change when more detail becomes available. The IDP will need to be managed and monitored carefully on a regular basis to ensure that the plan is up to date, critical milestones are reached and key infrastructure is in place at the appropriate time to enable sustainable development.
- 2.11 Infrastructure contributions should be a known quantity so that developers may include these within appraisals to form the basis for negotiations with landowners. There is an onus upon LPAs to establish robust, costed lists of infrastructure and associated planning obligations policy, in order that the costs of strategic infrastructure items are accounted for in land markets.
- 2.12 Proposals for the establishment of CIL aim to reduce the costs and increase certainty in the negotiation of planning obligations. CIL will also allow for more equitable application of infrastructure costs across small and large developments. By providing for the pooling of funds, the levy will also assist by breaking the current planning obligation regime's requirement for a direct link between a contribution and a particular development; although it will need to be underpinned by a robust, costed list of strategic infrastructure projects that are needed to support development.

http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/20120919132719/http://www.communities.gov.uk/documents/planningandbuilding/pdf/spatialplaninfrastructure.pdf

2.13 The term "key" infrastructure has been applied to the classification of infrastructure need and, typically, concerns infrastructure essential to delivering the Local Plan. "Key" infrastructure usually concerns potable water; energy; waste; waste water and transport. The term is not used to devalue the other forms of infrastructure but mainly to express an understanding of basic requirements without which no development can function.

# **National**

2.14 The **National Infrastructure Plan<sup>2</sup>** (NIP) sets out the government's long term plan for meeting the infrastructure needs of the UK economy to 2020 and beyond. It brings together a comprehensive cross-sectoral analysis of the UK's infrastructure networks.

#### 2.15 The NIP 2013:

- Brings together analysis of the UK's infrastructure needs across different sectors now and in the future
- Articulates the government's approach, sector by sector, to identifying and delivering the infrastructure that is needed
- Articulates the specific rationale for selecting each of the government's Top 40 priority investments; identifies key projects within those individual investments and provides more detail on the timing, funding and status of each
- Sets out new ways in which the government will drive delivery of the Top 40 investments, including a dedicated 'hot-desk' in Infrastructure UK where Top 40 project owners

- can raise issues of concern, special consideration in the planning regime and UK Guarantees Scheme, and a new Major Infrastructure Tracking unit within Infrastructure UK which will allow it to track the progress of each Top 40 investment
- Is published alongside a robust, forward-looking infrastructure pipeline which includes detail on the status of UK infrastructure projects
- 2.16 40 infrastructure projects and programmes have been identified that are of national significance and critical for growth.
  Nationally significant schemes that are relevant to B&NES include:
  - The Great Western Electrification and Intercity Express Programme
  - Bath Package (As part of the DfT development pool of Local Authority Major Transport schemes)
  - Local infrastructure funding programmes including the Growing Places Fund and the Regional Growth Fund
  - Fixed broadband investment
  - Smart Meter rollout
  - 4G mobile auction and rollout & rural mobile coverage
- 2.17 On 1st April 2012, under the Localism Act 2011, the **Planning Inspectorate** became the agency responsible for operating the planning process for Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects (NSIPS). NSIPS require 'development consent' under the Planning Act 2008. The Act sets out thresholds above which certain types of infrastructure development are considered to be nationally significant and require development consent. The Planning Inspectorate examines applications for development consent from the energy, transport, waste, waste water and water sectors.

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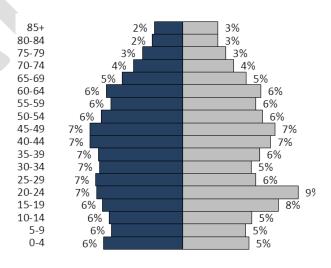
- 2.18 There are 12 designated or proposed **National Policy Statements**<sup>3</sup> that set out Government policy on different types of national infrastructure development, which are:
  - Overarching energy
  - Renewable energy
  - Fossil Fuels
  - Oil and Gas Supply and Storage
  - Electricity Networks
  - Nuclear Power
  - Ports
  - Transport Networks (including rail and roads)
  - Aviation
  - Water Supply
  - Hazardous Waste
  - Waste Water Treatment
- 2.19 Under the **UK Guarantees** initiative, the government will underwrite privately-funded projects identified in the National Infrastructure Plan that are struggling to secure finance from banks. The **Infrastructure (Financial Assistance) Act**<sup>4</sup> gives statutory backing to the UK Guarantees programme.

### Local

2.20 There were 176,000 people estimated to be living in B&NES on the night of the Census (27<sup>th</sup> March 2011), an increase of 8% since 1981 (14,500 people) and 4% (6,800 people) since the last census in 2001.

2.22 In addition there have been features of an aging population, with increases in the 40-49, 60-69 and 80+ age ranges matched by a reduction in the 30-39 age ranges. There has been a 23% increase the most elderly age range (85+) since 2001 (900).

### Figure 1: comparative population distribution (Census 2011)



<sup>■</sup> England & Wales ■ Bath and North East Somerset

<sup>2.21</sup> The population structure continues to reflect the notable proportion of residents in the 15-19 and 20-24 age ranges, which represent 17% of the population, compared to 13% in England and Wales. Since the 2001 census, the greatest increases have been observed in the 15-24 populations, aligned with an increase in university intake. These age ranges have increased by 27% (6,300), which could account for 93% of the population increase.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> http://infrastructure.planningportal.gov.uk/legislation-and-advice/national-policy-statements/

<sup>4</sup> http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2012/16/enacted

2.23 An underlying principle in the preparation of the Core Strategy has been the need for new development to be well aligned with the necessary infrastructure required to support sustainable growth. The approach is to ensure that investment in infrastructure is secured. Delivery will be assisted through a range of funding mechanisms from the Council, the West of England LEP, the Government and the private sector.

### Figure 2: potential funding streams

- •Section 106 & CIL 123 List
- Agency Capital Programmes (e.g. Rail Industry, Environment Agency)
- Private Sector Leverage
- •HCA 'Get Britain Building'
- •DfT Major Transport Schemes devolved funding
- West of England Revolving Infrastructure Fund
- •West of England Economic Development Fund
- •LEP Single Local Growth Fund
- Public Works Loan Board
- 2.24 The West of England **Revolving Infrastructure Fund** (RIF) is worth £56.7m and is made up of two elements; £16.9m from the **Growing Places Fund** and £39.8m from the **Regional Growth**

**Fund** (RGF). The Fund enables the delivery of infrastructure required to unlock or serve development that will bring about economic and/or housing growth. By providing the key infrastructure upfront, planning risk is reduced, as are up-front planning obligations costs, enabling development to come forward quicker than it would ordinarily do. New developments will also have a reduced impact on existing communities, as new infrastructure required to serve them will be in place prior to completion of large scale development.

- 2.25 The RIF is a revolving fund in that all funding that it releases should be repaid to it. It can be utilised in a number of ways:
  - As forward funding for planning obligations or Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)
  - As grant that is repaid through business rate growth retention
  - As grant that is repaid from any other appropriate source
  - Loan funding through development value uplift, profit or rental income
- 2.26 As a revolving fund, it can programme in schemes for future funding as sums are repaid to it. As such, the RIF should be available for at least the next two decades to support growth across the West of England. The LEP are required to secure formal draw down of the initial round of RIF funding by 2016 and have indicated that submitted proposals should:
  - Be included in the Authorities published Infrastructure
     Delivery Plan
  - Enable Significant development potential
  - Have a clear delivery strategy and programme
  - Have a robust repayment mechanism
- 2.27 The LEP gave provisional approval in November 2012 for the Council to receive £13m of RIF funding to unlock key

development sites in the **Bath Enterprise Area**. These schemes are:

- Bath Western Riverside: Windsor Gas Holder removal (BI.3j)
- Bath Strategic Flood Scheme (BI.2)
- Bath Riverside: Destructor Bridge and Bath Quays Bridge (BI.3d and BI.30a)
- 2.28 The **Bristol City Region Deal**<sup>5</sup> was announced on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2012. As part of the Deal, the West of England Authorities will be allowed to keep 100% of the growth in business rates raised in the city region's network of Enterprise Zone and Areas. The income will be used to create an **Economic Development Fund** (EDF) for the West of England worth £1 billion over 25 years.
- 2.29 The Deal also includes a **Transport Devolution Agreement** which will devolve necessary powers alongside investment in major transport schemes. The West of England LEP has been allocated £44.9m by the DfT from 2015/16 to 2020/21 (confirmed), with a further £36.4m from 2021/22 to 2024/25 (indicative).
- 2.30 The Council formally adopted the Growth Incentive proposals and the subsequent pooling of business rates as set out in the City Deal in July 2013<sup>7</sup>. The pooling arrangements will be in place for 25 years with effect from 1st April 2014 to 31st March 2038.
- 2.31 The Local Authorities, as members of the LEP, will have a responsibility in reviewing and making decisions around the allocation of the EDF to ensure it is used to unlock and

accelerate economic growth. Work has been initiated on identifying those schemes.

- 2.32 Schemes proposed to form the Priority Programme for Devolved Major Schemes Funding under the City Deal include:
  - Greater Bristol Metro Phase 1 (DWI.38a)
  - Cycling Major Scheme
- 2.33 The next highest scoring schemes include:
  - East of Bath Park & Ride (Bl.36)
- 2.34 Other shortlisted schemes that were identified as affordable and deliverable include:
  - New Rail Stations Package (DWI.38b)
  - Post Bath Package increase in Park and Ride capacity (BI.39)
  - Whitchurch bypass (RI.7)
- 2.35 The Government announced in March 2013 that it will decentralise current Whitehall funding streams with the emphasis on transport, housing and skills by creating a **Single Local Growth Fund** administered by the LEP. The fund was confirmed at the June 2013 spending review to be £2billion a year and operational by April 2015. The LEP will be asked to develop a new strategic multi-year plan for growth. Funding for local areas from the Fund will reflect the quality of strategic proposals put forward by the LEP.
- 2.36 The Government have also announced it is allowing Local Authorities access to cheaper borrowing, through the *Public Works Loan Board* (PWLB) for a local priority infrastructure project nominated by each LEP. The PWLB project rate will be introduced from 1 November 2013.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> http://www.dpm.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/sites/default/files\_dpm/resources/Bristol-and-West-of-England-City-Deal-FINAL.pdf

<sup>6</sup> https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/local-transport-body-funding-allocations http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s26528/City%20Deal%20Annex%201%20 and%20apps%201%20-%204.pdf

- 2.37 The Core Strategy includes a number of large development sites which have multiple infrastructure requirements. These have specific references in the Infrastructure Delivery Programme. They include:
  - Bath Western Riverside/Enterprise Area (BI.3a-m)
  - MOD Foxhill (BI.9a-f)
  - MOD Ensleigh (BI.27a-e)
  - MOD Warminster Road (Bl.28a-b)
  - Odd Down Urban Extension (BI.41a-e)
  - East of Keynsham Urban Extension (KI.20a-e)
  - South of Keynsham Urban Extension (KI.21a-e)
  - Whitchurch Urban Extension (RI.14a-d)



# PART THREE: INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENT BY CATEGORY

**Community Facilities** 

Affordable Housing

Energy

Education

Health

Minerals & Waste

Water & Drainage

Transport

Green Infrastructure

Public Realm

Leisure

### AFFORDABLE HOUSING

#### NATIONAL

3.1 The October 2010 Spending Review announced a reduction in the Government's National Affordable Housing Programme for 2011-15 for the development of new social housing to £4.5 billion (down from £8.4 billion over the period of the previous Spending Review). The majority of the new programme (renamed the **Affordable Homes Programme**) will be made available through **Affordable Rented tenancies**<sup>8</sup> (ART) provided by Housing Associations (Registered Providers) who offer property at 80% of market rent but will generate higher revenue to fund future capital investment into affordable housing. Essentially, this model envisages the replacement of the current capital grant supply subsidy for social housing with a revenue subsidy. Research by the Council suggests that this will not have such a positive impact in the B&NES area and that as such the existing Core Strategy tenure split is still appropriate.

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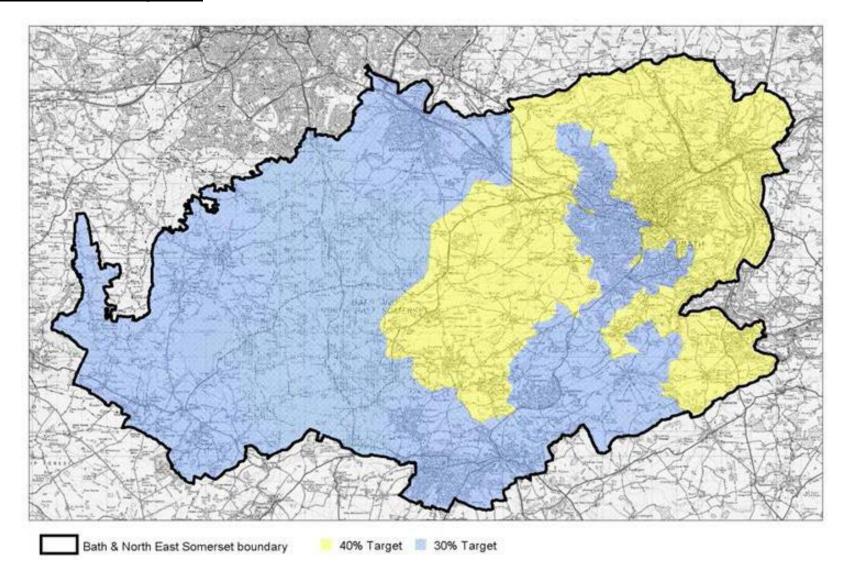
- 3.2 The need for affordable housing in B&NES is high with the affordability gap between local incomes and market house prices being very wide. The **Strategic Housing Market Assessment** (SHMA) has identified the need for 2,800 social rented/intermediate homes from 2011-2029. Taking into account the Local Plan backloa, this total rises to 3,300.
- 3.3 The **B&NES Viability Assessment**<sup>9</sup> provides information and recommendations on the level of affordable housing targets that are financially viable taking into account various development/mitigation costs, national/local standards and likely infrastructure requirements. The assessment shows that viability and the associated proportion of affordable housing that can be provided varies geographically across the district and this is shown on the basis of zones derived from post code sectors.
- 3.4 Core Strategy Policy CP9 outlines the approach to affordable housing provision to 2029. Affordable housing will be required as on-site provision in developments of 10 dwellings or 0.5ha and above (the lower threshold applies). 40% will be sought in the Prime Bath/Bath North and East and Bath Rural Hinterland areas. 30% will be sought everywhere else in the district. This is on a grant free basis with the presumption that on site provision is expected.

<sup>8 &</sup>quot;Affordable Rent" is a new tenure for affordable housing introduced in to national policy earlier in 2011 under the coalition government. "Affordable rented housing" is rented housing provided by registered providers of social housing. It has the same characteristics as social rented housing except that it is outside the national rent regime – based instead on up to 80% of local market rents. It has the same controls in terms of eligible households as social rent.

<sup>9</sup> http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/sites/default/files/sitedocuments/Planning-and-Building-Control/Planning-Policy/Evidence-Base/Housing/bnes viability study update december 2012.pdf

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Figure 3: Affordable Housing zones



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- 3.5 Residential development on small sites from 5-9 dwellings or from 0.25 to 0.49ha (the lower threshold applies) should provide either on site provision or an appropriate financial contribution towards the provision of affordable housing with commuted sum calculations. The target level for these small sites will be 20% for Prime Bath/Bath North and East and Bath Rural Hinterland areas, and 15% for everywhere else.
- 3.6 Applicants are recommended to hold early conversations with the Housing Enabling Team in order to agree the affordable housing provision and in particular the likely availability of public subsidy.
- 3.7 The HCA announced 10 on 1st December 2011 that it has agreed a contract as part of the Affordable Homes Programme with Somer Housing Group to see it deliver 414 homes within the West of England, of which 171 will be delivered in B&NES. This is supported by investment of £10m by the HCA. While some of the investment will support new homes on identified sites, the majority of homes will be provided on locations that are to be agreed as part of the four-year programme.
- 3.8 To improve collaboration and engagement with sector stakeholders the WOE Partnership have established a Housing Delivery Panel with organisations that will help delivery market and affordable housing. The panel will be effective from October 2011 for four years.

### **INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENT**

Reference	Item	Status	<b>Estimated Cost</b>	Phasing			Policy Area
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	
DWI.1	Direct Public Investment in Affordable Housing	Key	£15,500,000	>	>	>	District Wide

<sup>10</sup> http://www.homesandcommunities.co.uk/news/west-england-and-wiltshire-gain-hundreds-affordable-homes

#### **NATIONAL**

Primary legislation	
Gas Act 1986 <sup>11</sup>	Utilities Act 2000 <sup>12</sup>
Energy Act 2004 <sup>13</sup>	
Companies operating within B&NES	
Wales & West Utilities	National Grid

- 4.1 The gas industry is broken into a series of transmission, distribution and supply functions:
  - Transmission: Gas producers deliver gas to UK terminals from offshore facilities at fields beneath the sea around the British Isles and through pipelines which connect to the UK from Norway, Holland and Belgium. From the terminals, gas enters the national transmission system (NTS) which is the high-pressure part of National Grid's pipeline network and delivers it to regional distribution companies. The NTS operates at pressures of up to 85 bar (85 time's normal atmospheric pressure, over 1250 psi). The gas is pushed through the system using 23 strategically placed compressor stations and supplies gas to UK end consumers from over 175 off-take points. These include large end users which are primarily large industrial consumers and power stations, who receive gas directly from the NTS rather than through a distribution network, and the twelve local distribution zones (LDZ) that contain pipes operating at lower pressure which eventually supply the smaller end consumers, including domestic customers. Apart from these the NTS cannot be directly connected to, and requires costly diversions if proposals are built upon their location. This activity is a regulated monopoly.
  - **Distribution:** Local Distribution Zones are operated by gas Distribution Operators (DOs). Wales & West Utilities are responsible for the transportation of gas from the national grid network to consumers within B&NES. DOs operate as regulated monopolies.
  - **Shippers:** Own the gas as it is transmitted and distributed. They purchase it from producers and importers and act as wholesalers. There is no price control on their activities.
  - **Supply:** Gas supply companies buy gas from the shippers as it passes through the meter and retail it to consumers. The income from consumers is separated between the energy supplier, meter operator and DO who owns the connection for use of the distribution infrastructure. There is no price control on their activities.
  - **Meter operation:** This function is often performed by the local DO but is open to the consumers' choice and is the process of recording billing data from consumers' meters.
- 4.2 New gas transmission infrastructure developments (pipelines and associated installations) are periodically required to meet increases in demand and changes in patterns of supply. Developments to the **National Grid** network are as a result of specific connection requests (e.g.

<sup>11</sup> http://www.leaislation.gov.uk/ukpag/1986/44

http://www.leaislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2000/27/contents

http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2004/20/contents

- power stations), and requests for additional capacity on the network from gas shippers. National Grid has no works planned for the gas transmission network in Bath and North East Somerset's administrative area at present.
- 4.3 Major accidents at sites storing hazardous substances are rare. However, the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) aims to manage population growth close to such sites to mitigate the consequences of a major accident should one occur. Where a site near to a major hazard pipeline is being considered the planning authority has a statutory duty to refer the planning application to the HSE. HSE sets a consultation distance (CD) around major hazard sites and pipelines after assessing the risks and likely effects of major accidents at the installation or pipeline. The CDs are based on available scientific knowledge using hazard/risk assessment models updated as new knowledge comes to light.
- 4.4 If a proposed development is within a CD the HSE uses a 'three-zone' system ('inner' (IZ), 'middle' (MZ) and 'outer' (OZ)). These zones are normally determined by a detailed assessment of the risks and/or hazards of the installation or pipeline which takes into account the hazard ranges and consequences of the toxic and/or flammable substances present; the volume of those substances for which the site has consent; and the method of storage. The risks and hazards from the major hazard are greatest in the inner zone so the restrictions on development are strictest.
- 4.5 HSE categorise development types into different sensitivity levels<sup>14</sup> (from 1-4, with 4 being the most sensitive). Having determined which zone the development falls into and also the sensitivity level of the development, the following matrix is used to decide the type of advice from HSE (DAA = 'don't advise against; AA = 'advise against').

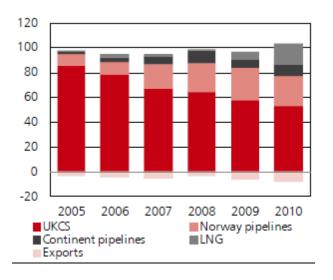
### Figure 4: HSE decision matrix

Level of sensitivity	Development in inner zone	Development in middle zone	Development in outer zone
1	DAA	DAA	DAA
2	AA	DAA	DAA
3	AA	AA	DAA
4	AA	AA	AA

<sup>14</sup> http://www.hse.gov.uk/landuseplanning/padhi.pdf

4.6 The final decision regarding the granting of planning permission in situations where the HSE have 'advised against' lies with the Local Planning Authority. In cases where the LPA grants planning permission in spite of 'advise against' advice, HSE will scrutinise the planning application in order to insure that the risks have been adequately considered, and have the option to consider requesting the application to be called-in.

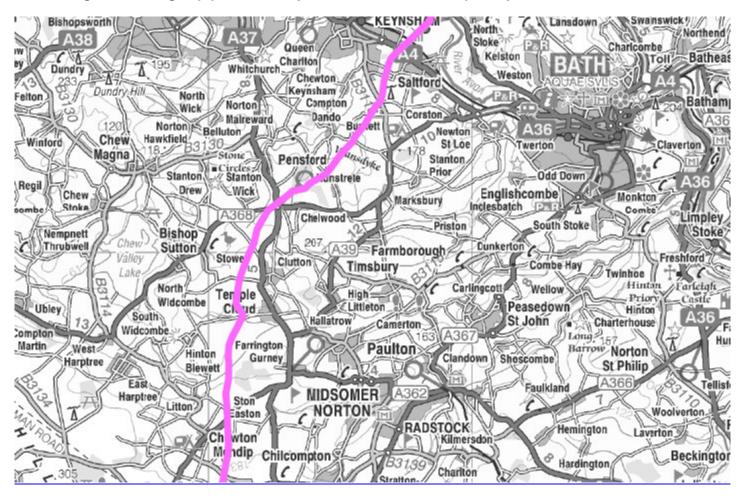
Figure 5: Evolution of sources and uses of gas (source: National Grid)



- 4.7 Although national gas consumption has remained largely constant since 2005, the proportion serviced by imports has more than quadrupled. Consequently, significant gas import capacity has come on stream in the form of new or expanded import pipelines (from Norway, Belgium and the Netherlands and liquefied natural gas (LNG) terminals which deliver gas from global markets. The Government aims to ensure that the UK's market framework supports a diverse mix of gas sources (including the North Sea, storage and imports) that remains adequate to meet demand.
- 4.8 UK gas prices (including taxes) for most users are among the lowest compared with other major EU countries.
- 4.9 The National Infrastructure Plan states that the Government will seek to clarify the potential contribution of shale gas and other unconventional resources to indigenous gas supplies. The scale of possible production is unknown at present.

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Figure 6: National Grid High Pressure gas pipe network (National Transmission System)



4.10 The national transmission system is protected by permanent agreements with landowners or has been laid in the public highway under National Grid's licence. These grant National Grid legal rights that enable them to achieve efficient and reliable operation, maintenance,

repair and refurbishment of the gas transmission network. National Grid requires that no permanent structures are built over or under these pipelines.

- 4.11 The **Wales & West Utilities** (WWU) gas network is supplied through 17 National Transmission System Offtakes. WWU take responsibility for new connections to their network, but are only obliged to provide these where it is economic; hence there is often limited gas infrastructure in more rural areas. WWU are required to "maintain an efficient and economical pipeline system" under the Gas Act 1986. WWU have a plan (the **Long Term Development Statement**<sup>15</sup>) to guide new investment in the gas distribution network for the next 10 years based on estimated growth in the market. WWU will continue to develop and invest in the Distribution Network in order to operate a safe and efficient network and to meet customers' requirements for any growth that is forecast.
- 4.12 In the long term WWU adopt a year-to-year approach in order to identify long-term priorities and optimize expenditure. These plans, which may be replacement or reinforcement projects, are subject to change as and when the need arises, (such as any change in local authority plans), and especially with regard to safety of the network which takes precedence. As a result no such lead-times for delivery exist.
- 4.13 Average pressures for the low pressure system running through B&NES are:

Bath: 40mbar

Keynsham: 32mbar

Midsomer Norton and Radstock: 40mba

Peasedown: 35mbar

- 4.14 Wales & West Utilities confirm that these are healthy pressures. However, it is important that the network pressures do not fall below 21mbar which is the statutory minima.
- 4.15 In terms of costs for reinforcement and network growth, Wales & West Utilities have two different systems depending on the level of growth. For individual sites/single users, any reinforcement of the network would be designed following a request for a quotation and put through an economic test on a case by case basis to determine the level of the customer's financial contribution, (if any). For larger sites Wales & West Utilities would address the issue of expanding the network if necessary to meet these future requirements.
- 4.16 The decommissioning and removal of the *Windsor House Gas Holder Station*, which is operated by Wales and West Utilities, is an essential prerequisite to the redevelopment of much of Bath Western Riverside and its environs. Only one gas holder remains which has a capacity of 79te. Typically gas holders are in operation for 6-7 months in the year and the normal operating model is that the gasholders are filled and emptied on a daily cycle; they are filled from approximately 22:00 hours to 06:00 hours and empties from 06:00 to 22:00 hours as the gas is distributed for local use<sup>16</sup>.

<sup>15</sup> http://www.wwutilities.co.uk/Content/Publications/pdf/WWU Long Term Development Statement 2012.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> Atkins Planning Assessment of land adjacent to the Windsor House Gas Holder Station, Bath (January 2011)

4.17 Outline planning application for whole site, 06/01733/EOUT was permitted in December 2010. However, the Health and Safety Executive has defined a 300m Safety Zone around the gasholder site in which development is severely restricted. Crest Nicholson, on behalf of the Bath Riverside development, has exclusivity arrangements in place with Wales & West Utilities (the owner and operator of the gas works) so that comprehensive arrangements can be put in place to decommission and demolish the remaining gas holder to facilitate continuity of development. Crest and Wales & West are well advanced with such arrangements which should be in place during early 2013. In parallel the LEP has earmarked funding for the associated works and the Council and Crest Nicholson are currently undertaking due diligence as a precondition to draw down. As the LEP funds are from the Revolving Infrastructure Fund, it is implicit that they will need to be repaid at some stage.

Figure 7: Windsor House Gas Holder Station (note only one gas holder now remains)



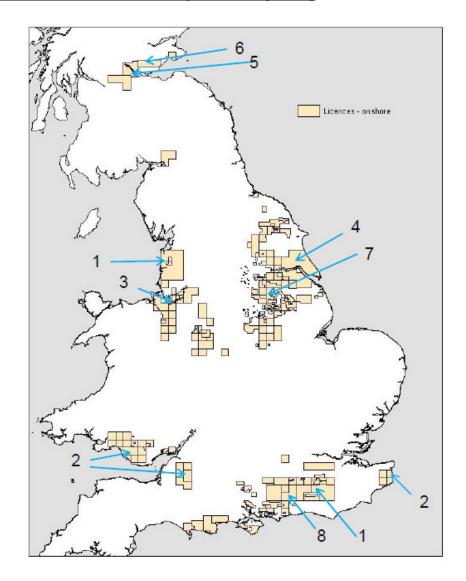
### Shale Gas / Coal Bed Methane extraction

- 4.18 Shale gas has the potential to provide at least 10% of the UK's gas over the next 100 years. However, the technique is still relatively untried in this country and not without controversy.
- 4.19 There are currently 3 PEDL licences largely covering parts of the Mendip Area and which cross the boundaries shared between Somerset, North Somerset and BANES. The PEDL licence areas covering all three planning authorities are due to expire by July 2014 unless the operators have submitted a planning application for and started exploration. BANES has received a planning application for an exploratory bore hole in Keynsham from UK Methane, initially looking at the options for Coal Bed Methane (CBM).
- 4.20 Planning practice guidance for onshore oil and gas<sup>17</sup> was published by the government in July 2013.
- 4.21 A proposal to treat large shale gas projects under the major infrastructure regime was consulted on by the Government in 2012, but they have now decided against this move. Decisions will remain with Local Authorities, although the Government will keep this under review.
- 4.22 DECC announced in June 2013 that communities near shale gas drilling sites will be offered £100,000 per well site and one per cent of revenues if commercial production goes ahead. These benefits have been offered by the gas drilling industry who will publish evidence each year of how these commitments, in addition to activities such as public consultation, have been met.
- 4.23 The Council agreed <sup>18</sup> in July 2013 to formally register concerns to DECC regarding the potential impact of unconventional gas exploration and extraction, particularly relating to the vulnerability of the hot springs which supply Bath's spa water, potential impact on environmental designations such as the AONB and World Heritage Site, and the importance of protecting the reservoir water supply in the Chew Valley. The Council also agreed to produce a report on the potential impact and risks of unconventional gas exploration and extraction within B&NES and relevant neighbouring areas.
- 4.24 The primary piece of legislation protecting the hot springs in Bath is section 33 of the County of Avon Act 1982. This requires anyone undertaking excavations, piling or boreholes within 3 defined zones around the centre of Bath to seek the permission of the Council before work is undertaken.

<sup>17</sup> https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\_data/file/224238/Planning\_practice\_guidance\_for\_onshore\_oil\_and\_gas.pdf

<sup>18</sup> http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s26511/Conservative%20Motion%20for%20July%20Council%20-%20Fracking.pdf

Figure 8: Current Shale Gas Activity in the UK (DECC)





# **CBM/Shale Gas Activity**

- 1. Cuadrilla
- UK Methane/ Coastal/Eden group
- 3. IGas
- 4. Rathlin
- 5. DART/BG
- 6. Reach
- 7. eCorp/Egdon
- 8. Celtique Energie

Figure 9: Areas in B&NES with License to drill from DECC

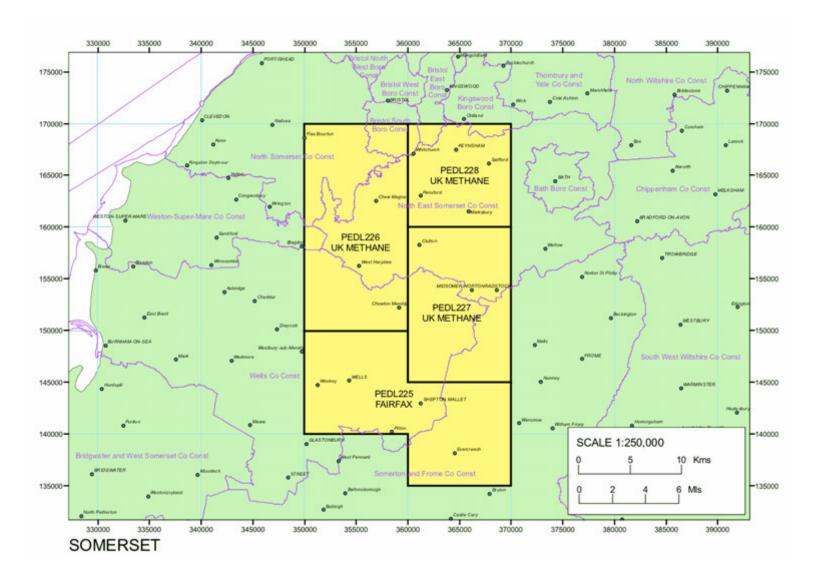


Figure 10: Exploration Regulatory Process (DECC)

### DEPARTMENT OF **Exploration regulatory process ENERGY** CLIMATECHANGE **DECC**: award of exclusive Petroleum Exploration & Development Licence after open competition **Local Authority** EA/SEPA **DECC**: online Planning Permission Statutory well application Consultee for <96 hr testing **DECC** checks EA/SEPA **HSE** with Notices HSE/EA/SEPA Notification Abstraction licences before issuing Discharge and radioactive substances well consent regulations permits DECC: 90-day extended well test (EWT), if required, setting **Exploration** limit on hydrocarbons produced, Well vented or flared. Environment Agency

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## **INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENT**

Reference	Item	Status	<b>Estimated Cost</b>	Phasing			Policy Area
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	
DWI.6	Gas Supply	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
<u>BI.3j</u>	Decommissioning of Gas Holder at Bath	Key	£4,100,000	✓			Bath
	Western Riverside & replacement of						
	storage capacity						
<u>BI.9d</u>	Gas infrastructure at MOD Foxhill site	Key			>	>	Bath
<u>BI.27c</u>	Gas infrastructure at MOD Ensleigh site	Key	Not quantified		>	>	Bath
<u>BI.28b</u>	Gas infrastructure at MOD Warminster Road	Key	Not quantified		✓		Bath
	site						

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Primary legislation	
Electricity Act 1989 <sup>19</sup>	Utilities Act 2000
Energy Act 2004	
Companies operating within B&NES	
National Grid	Western Power Distribution

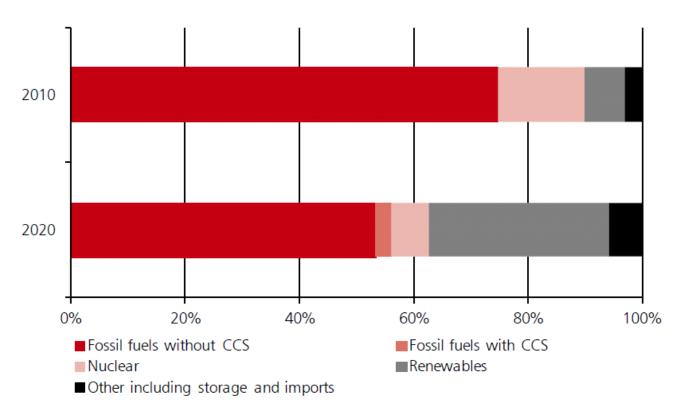
- 5.1 The UK currently has one of the most reliable electricity transmission networks in the world (over 99.999 per cent network reliability), a comfortable capacity margin (over 20 per cent) and among the lowest prices in Europe. At the moment capacity margins in electricity generation are adequate relative to peak demand (to some extent, driven also by a fall in peak demand due to the recession). The Government aims to maintain the security of supply of the electricity system, by ensuring that adequate reliable capacity is on place to meet peak demand. It aims to put in place the building blocks for a smarter electricity grid that can connect and balance supply and demand in more efficient ways. This may involve an improved ability to export or import electricity, to store electricity produced by intermittent generation such as wind farms and to give customers greater ability to manage their demand using new technology such as smart meters.
- 5.2 The cost of electricity has increased over time, reflecting both higher wholesale prices for gas and electricity as well as higher expenditure on transmission and distribution network infrastructure. UK electricity prices including taxes are among the lowest in Europe for domestic customers and are near the median for medium and large industrial consumers.
- 5.3 Since the privatisation of the English electricity industry in 1990, five separate roles of generation, transmission, distribution and supply and meter operation have been created:
  - **Generation:** A large number of companies are involved in the generation of electricity using nuclear, coal, gas and wind power etc, however, the market is dominated by six companies. Electricity is traded on a wholesale market and through private agreements between generators and suppliers. There is no price control of generation.
  - Transmission: The UK extra high-voltage grid (275kVand 400kV) is owned and operated by the **National Grid Electricity Transmission** (NGET), and is a regulated monopoly. NGET has the responsibility for balancing supply and demand to maintain operation of the country's network. The UK has one of the most reliable electricity transmission networks in the world, with 99.9999 per cent system reliability and very low levels of unplanned energy interruptions.
  - **Distribution:** Western Power Distribution (South West) Plc is the licensed electricity distribution network operator (DNO) within B&NES, distributing electricity from the national grid to consumers. DNOs operate as regulated monopolies. They own the network and

<sup>19</sup> http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1989/29/contents

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- power distribution system, are responsible for the maintenance, repair, reinforcement of the network to cope with changing patterns of demand and extending the network to connect new customers.
- **Supply:** This refers to the retail function of the industry, which operates as a competitive market without price control. The income from consumers is separated between the energy supplier, meter operator and DNO for use of the distribution infrastructure. The DNO makes payments to NGET for us of its system.
- **Meter operation:** This function is often performed by the local DNO but is open to the consumers' choice and is the process of recording billing data from consumers' meters.
- 5.4 Ofgem is the body which regulates the industry with a remit to look after the interests of current and future consumers. As with the delivery of most utilities in the UK, the distribution functions are regulated monopolies where Ofgem regulates distribution prices. General income and levels of investment are agreed with Ofgem on a 5 year cycle, based on historic trends and major known future developments. Connection charges are made in accordance with their published charging statement, which requires developers to fully contribute to the network being installed for their sole use and disproportionately contributing to shared network reinforcement.
- 5.5 DNOs are required to produce long term development statements, which cover a five year time period and are updated on an annual basis. Projections of electricity distribution requirements and the subsequent need for grid capacity are generally based on known consumption growth trends and connection requests by developers, rather than on specific growth projections set out in Local Development Frameworks. Similar statements are produced for transmission which covers seven year periods.
- 5.6 Whilst DNOs could plan over a longer term they will only install infrastructure as developers apply for connection as this is the main funding mechanism. It is usually where there is a large scale development in a locality and more than one developer is involved that the process of procuring electricity connections can delay development; particularly where reinforcement of infrastructure is needed. In such circumstances forward planning and the creation of a funding mechanism is usually the only way to proceed as it is difficult for DNOs to build infrastructure without orders for connection.
- 5.7 The UK has ambitious goals to reduce the carbon intensity of its economy, and the generation mix of the electricity system is likely to shift towards lower carbon sources over the next two decades.

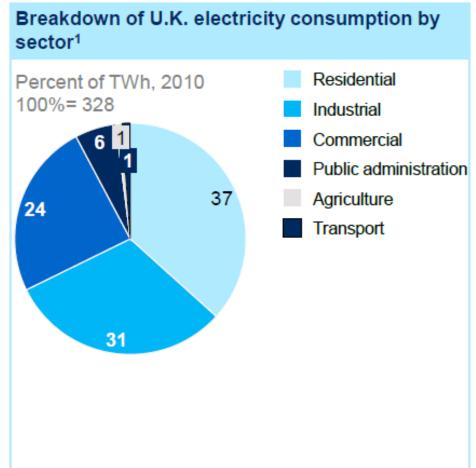
Figure 11: Projected electricity generation by mix (by source of fuel)

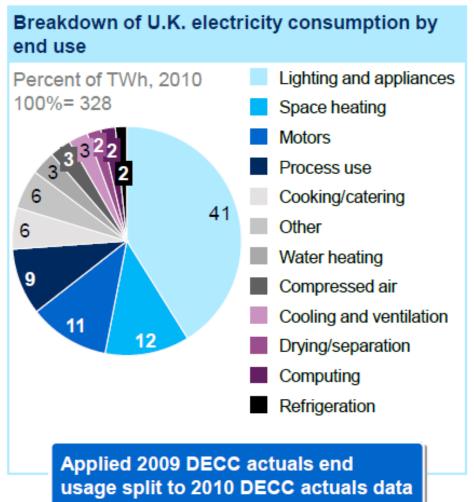


Source: Updated Energy and Emissions Projections Annex E (Total Generation by Source), Central scenario, DECC (2011). This reflects assumptions on fossil fuel and carbon prices. Timescales for the deployment of new nuclear capacity in the UK will be the result of commercial decisions made by private investors and will be affected by the government's proposals for reform of the electricity market which are not taken into account in these projections. Developers have announced plans to build 16GW of new nuclear capacity in the UK, with the first reactor scheduled to become operational in 2019

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Figure 12: Split of UK 2010 end use energy consumption, split by sector and end use (DECC, July 2012)





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- 5.8 **National Grid** has no high voltage electricity overhead transmission lines / underground cables within B&NES and no future planned works for this area at present.
- 5.9 **Western Power Distribution** can confirm that overall the existing distribution network within B&NES is robust and capable of accommodating moderate incremental load. Specific reinforcement of the network is determined on a case by case basis and is predominantly customer driven to supply new residential, commercial or industrial developments. However, it is anticipated that to maintain continuity of supply in line with expected growth it is likely that new Primary Substations will be required at Bath University and for later phases of the Bath Western Riverside Development. Western Power Distribution also maintains the long-term aspiration of increasing the nominal voltage level of the Bath distribution network from the existing level of 6,600V to 11,000V. This will have the effect of significantly increasing the capacity of the HV network but will require extensive investment and infrastructure works.

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<u>DWI.5</u>	Power Generation & Distribution	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
<u>BI.3i</u>	New on-site primary substation at Bath Western Riverside	Key	Not quantified			✓	Bath
<u>BI.23</u>	New on-site primary substation at Bath University	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath

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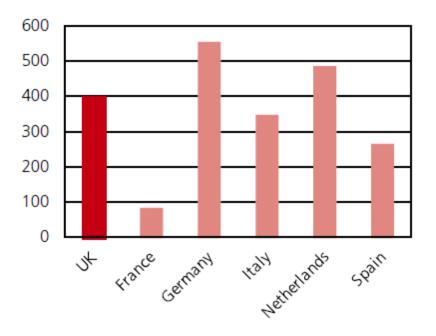
- 6.1 The Climate Change Act 2008<sup>20</sup> sets a target to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the UK by at least 80 per cent from 1990 levels by 2050. To achieve this, there will need to be an increase in energy generation from renewable sources the development of newer and sometimes smaller scale generation techniques such as anaerobic digestion and the replacement of existing coal-fired power stations with cleaner alternatives, including the commercial deployment of carbon capture and storage technology. Households and businesses will play an active role in improving efficiency in energy use with the help of energy saving measures, smart meters and, eventually, a smart grid for electricity.
- 6.2 The Renewable Energy Roadmap<sup>21</sup> (DECC 2011) lays out a plan of action to accelerate renewables deployment, drive innovation and reduce the cost of renewables to ensure value of money for the consumer. The Government's view is that, given the evolving costs of different technologies, market mechanisms will offer the best way of allocating resources in this sector. Government interventions will be focused on providing clear carbon-price signals and incentives for adequate investment in capacity during a transition phase from a high-carbon to a low-carbon energy system. The Governments goal of reform is therefore a simplified set of technology-neutral interventions focusing on the three aims of decarbonisation, security of supply and affordability for consumers. In the short to medium term however, the Government recognises that it is important to bring to maturity emerging low carbon technologies and to achieve a cost-effective deployment of a new generation of new nuclear power stations and large scale offshore wind-farms. The proposals for Electricity Market Reform therefore involve technology-specific support mechanisms (through Contract for Difference Feed-in Tariffs) to achieve this aim by 2020. From 2020 onwards there will be increasing convergence between technologies as they reach comparable stages of maturity.
- 6.3 The **Renewables Obligation** <sup>22</sup> (RO) is the current main mechanism for supporting large-scale generation of renewable electricity. The Spending Review of 20th October 2010 announced this will continue, confirming the Government's commitment to the renewables target. Since its introduction in 2002, it has succeeded in more than tripling the level of renewable electricity in the UK and is currently worth around £1.4 billion/year in support to the renewable electricity industry. The RO works by placing an obligation on licensed electricity suppliers to source a specified and annually increasing proportion of their electricity sales from renewable sources, or pay a penalty. The RO is administered by Ofgem, which issues Renewables Obligation Certificates (ROCs) to renewable electricity generators. The RO is due to close on 31 March 2017.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> http://www.decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/legislation/cc act 08/cc act 08.aspx

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> http://www.decc.gov.uk/assets/decc/11/meeting-energy-demand/renewable-energy/2167-uk-renewable-energy-roadmap.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/Environment/RenewablObl/Pages/RenewablObl.aspx

Figure 13: Carbon intensity of electricity generation (g CO2e per KWh)



Sources: EEA, OECD, Department of Energy and Climate

Change

Notes: 2009 data

6.4 The Department for Business, Innovation & Skills published the **Low Carbon Construction Action Plan**<sup>23</sup> in June 2011. This was a response to the Low Carbon Construction Innovation & Growth Team Report. The plan includes an action to develop a route map to low carbon infrastructure. This project will aim to set out a broad vision for the infrastructure required to meet the 2050 80% carbon reduction targets.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> http://www.bis.gov.uk/assets/biscore/business-sectors/docs/I/11-976-low-carbon-construction-action-plan.pdf

- 6.5 The Government has put in place a range of financial incentives to encourage the deployment of small scale, onsite, renewable energy which include the Renewables Obligation, the Feed-in Tariffs scheme, the Renewable Heat Incentive and the **Renewable Transport Fuel Obligation** (RTFO) to provide the revenue support that investors need. The onus is on the renewables industry to make the most of the financial incentives available, while the Government's role is to streamline regulation. The DECC **Microgeneration Strategy**<sup>24</sup> sets out actions to tackle these non-financial barriers.
- 6.6 Begun on 1st April 2011, the **Feed-In Tariff**<sup>25</sup> (FIT) scheme allows households, businesses and other organisations to claim financial support for electricity they produce from small scale renewable and low carbon sources. FITs have three financial benefits: a payment for all the electricity produced; additional bonus payments for electricity exported to the national grid; and a reduction on standard electricity bills. FITs work alongside the Renewables Obligation and the **Renewable Heat Incentive**<sup>26</sup> (RHI) which supports generation of heat from renewable sources at all scales. RHI began operation during November 2011 for the non-domestic sector. RHI offers a government subsidy per kilowatt hour (kWh) of heat generated. A scheme for householders is intended to open in spring 2014; until this scheme opens the **Renewable Heat Payment Premium** (RHPP) scheme offers money off the cost of renewable heating kit until March 2014.
- 6.7 The *Energy Act (2011)*<sup>27</sup> has three principal objectives: tackling barriers to investment in energy efficiency; enhancing energy security; and enabling investment in low carbon energy supplies. Enshrined in the Energy Act, the *Green Deal*<sup>28</sup>, launched in January 2013, allows for private companies to offer upfront energy efficiency investments and then recoup payments through energy bills. As the charge is added to the electricity bill, it stays with the property and is taken on by the new bill payer as they move into their improved home. The Green Deal "Golden Rule", set out in legislation, specifies that any charge attached must be less than the expected savings from the retrofit.
- 6.8 Some homes, due to their construction type, are more complex and more expensive to improve and need measures like solid wall insulation which may not always meet this Golden Rule. Government is therefore putting in place the *Energy Company Obligation (ECO)*. Under this scheme the big energy suppliers will be legally obliged to provide the extra support that is needed to make sure that hard to treat homes, and the lowest income and vulnerable households, can benefit from the new arrangements. The Government announced in the *Chancellor's Autumn Statement* (29th November 2011) that it is allocating £200 million of additional one-off capital resource to the Green Deal for energy efficiency in its initial phase over 2012-13 and 2013-14, to encourage early uptake.
- 6.9 **Energy Service Companies** (ESCOS) are an example of alternative energy framework provision. They are also being used increasingly by local authorities who are seeking to deliver low carbon infrastructure to the private sector. An ESCO continues operation by using revenue generated from the sale of energy services

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> http://www.decc.gov.uk/assets/decc/11/meeting-energy-demand/microgeneration/2015-microgeneration-strategy.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> http://www.decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/meeting energy/renewable ener/feedin tariff/feedin tariff.aspx

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/e-serve/RHI/Pages/RHI.aspx

<sup>27</sup> http://www.leaislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2011/16/contents/enacted

<sup>28</sup> http://www.decc.gov.uk/assets/decc/11/consultation/green-deal/3607-green-deal-energy-company-ob-cons.pdf

- 6.10 To mitigate the particular constraints affecting the green energy sector, the Government has established the **Green Investment Bank** (GIB). The GIB received initial funding of £3.5billion and will have the ability to borrow from 2015-16. It will invest up to £100m in commercial and industrial energy efficiency projects. The bank operates independently from the Government.
- 6.11 The **Rural Community Energy Fund (RCEF<sup>29</sup>)** is a £15m fund targeted at helping rural communities to carry out feasibility studies into renewable energy projects, and fund the costs associated with applying for planning permission. The Government anticipates that projects will then be able to attract private finance to pay for the infrastructure. Funding can be used to support projects including wind, solar, biomass, heat pumps, anaerobic digestion, gas CHP and hydro. The loan is repayable to Government once projects have received private sector backing.
- 6.12 DECC published *The Future of Heating* <sup>30</sup> in March 2012, which is the strategic framework for low carbon heat in the UK. Heat is the single biggest reason for energy use in the UK. Heat is not bought and sold as a commodity in the UK. It is not common for households or businesses to buy warmed air, hot water, or steam directly. Instead we buy fuels (predominantly gas, oil or solid fuels) or electricity and convert these into heat on-site in boilers, kilns, furnaces and electric heaters. This position is not sustainable. The strategy seeks to diversify our sources of heat and bring renewable heat into the mainstream alongside gas boilers. The Government intends to achieve this through a mix of different technologies and infrastructure such as electric heat pumps, bioenergy and district heating.
- 6.13 **District Heating Networks** supply heat from an energy centre to multiple buildings. The hot water is distributed using a network of insulated pipes. Individual boilers are replaced with heat exchangers in each of the buildings. These heat exchangers then deliver the heat to the properties using the normal wet system. The primary reason for encouraging district heating is because of its potential to deliver significant CO2 savings via the delivery of low carbon heat. Large central energy centres can incorporate new and alternative technologies that are difficult to implement at smaller scales. Technologies such as combined heat and power and alternative fuels such as biomass can deliver significant CO2 reductions. In addition, district heating systems provide the flexibility to connect new technologies as they come forward or to link to sources of waste heat such as industrial sites, waste processing facilities or power stations. Gas fired combined heat and power has the potential to deliver high CO2 savings because it can generate electricity that has much lower CO2 emissions than electricity from the national grid. Biomass boilers can also deliver high CO2 savings but whilst they have lower capital costs compared to Gas CHP engines, they also generate lower profits. Suitable sources of fuel need to be investigated if biomass options are taken forward.
- 6.14 There is currently no system of regulation for heat networks so the generation, distribution and supply of the heat is usually owned either by the building owner or a private Energy Services Company (ESCo). District Heating networks can be applied at a variety of scales from a few buildings to whole cities. District Heating generally helps to deliver more efficiently because the system can run at relatively constant levels, smoothing out the demands of the various buildings. The ability to consolidate heat supply, together with the ability to bulk buy fuel, means that district heating can often provide cheaper energy. Reduction in CO2 emissions can be achieved more easily with district

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> https://www.gov.uk/government/news/15m-fund-for-rural-energy-projects-opens-to-applications

<sup>30</sup> http://www.decc.gov.uk/assets/decc/11/meeting-energy-demand/heat/4805-future-heating-strategic-framework.pdf

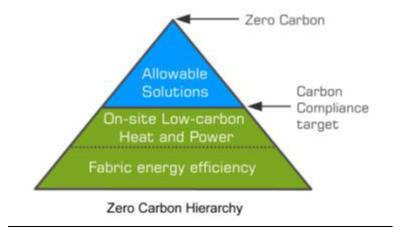
heating schemes because of the ability to incorporate low or zero carbon technologies which are often not efficient or effective at smaller scales.

Figure 14: CO<sub>2</sub> emissions associated with different fuels (SAP 2009)

Fuel	CO2 emissions (kg CO2/kWh delivered)
Gas	0.198
LPG	0.245
Heating Oil	0.274
Grid Supplied Electricity	0.517
Wood Chips	0.009
Wood Pellets	0.028

- 6.15 The actual CO2 and cost savings from using a district heating network compared to individual systems are dependent on the type of system, fuel used and the scale of energy generation. To maximise both the CO2 reductions and cost savings the system needs to be efficient, minimising the extent of the network but delivering as much energy as possible. This therefore favours locations where the density of heat demand is high.
- 6.16 Connection to district heating networks would provide developers with a more straightforward and potentially cheaper solution for meeting the increasingly stringent energy performance standards of the Building Regulations as well as higher standards of the Code for Sustainable Homes and BREEAM.

Figure 15: Zero Carbon Hierarchy (Zero Carbon Hub)



- 6.17 The revisions of Building Regulations in 2016 (for dwellings) and 2019 (for non-domestic buildings) are expected to require a 'zero carbon' standard to be achieved. The proposed approach suggests that this should be achieved through three steps, Energy Efficiency (covering the building fabric, Carbon Compliance and Allowable Solutions. The Carbon Compliance target will require more fabric or other energy efficiency measures, onsite low or zero carbon energy technologies or connection to low carbon sources of heat or electricity. Allowable Solutions will cover the remaining carbon emitted from homes for 30 years. These have not been defined yet but could include additional carbon compliance, use of energy efficient appliances, advanced building control systems, exports of low carbon or renewable heat or investments in community heat infrastructure. Local Authorities can set up a Community Energy Fund into which Allowable Solutions monies can be paid.
- 6.18 Solar panels, ground-source heat pumps and the flues from biomass boilers have been permitted developments since 2008. Air-source heat pumps and small wind turbines will become permitted developments on 1 October 2011<sup>31</sup>. Homeowners and businesses will no longer need to apply for planning permission to install the technologies. The order also extends permitted development rights to charging points for electric vehicles. The Government also announced in the Chancellor's Autumn Statement (29th November 2011) that it will introduce new permitted development rights for non-domestic micro-generation of electricity. This will incentivise the take up of small scale renewable and low carbon energy technologies.

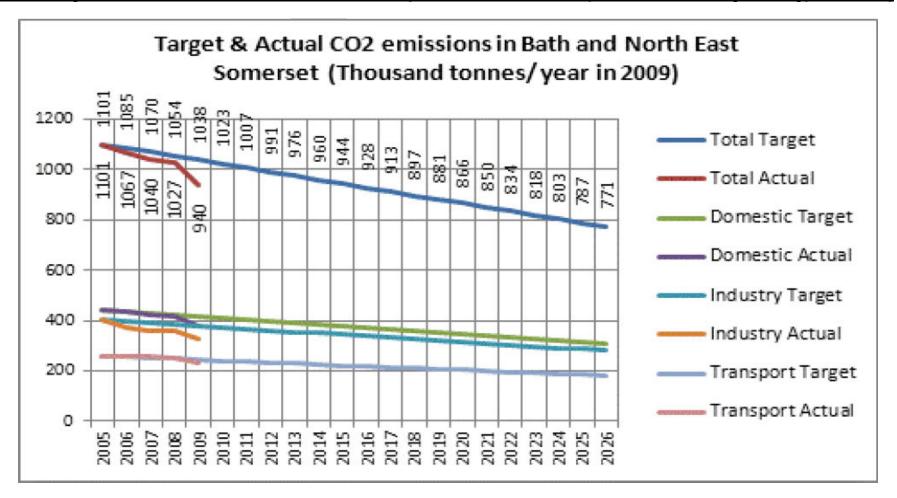
<sup>31</sup> http://www.leaislation.gov.uk/uksi/2011/2056/pdfs/uksi 20112056 en.pdf

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- 6.19 The B&NES Sustainable Community Strategy (SCS) has set the goal of delivering a 45% reduction in carbon emissions across the district by 2026. Leadership to deliver this target, along with the other sustainability objectives in the SCS, is provided by the Environmental Sustainability Partnership (ESP)
- 6.20 The B&NES draft Core Strategy lists Climate Change as a key strategic issue. This strategic challenge is picked up Objective 1 of the draft Core Strategy, which is to "Pursue a low carbon and sustainable future in a changing climate". This objective is carried forward throughout the draft Core Strategy, and in particular through the five Core Policies, a summary of which is below:
  - CP1: Retrofitting in existing buildings: Encouraging the retrofitting for energy efficiency of existing buildings, including listed buildings
  - CP2: Sustainable Construction: All planning developments should include evidence that sustainability standards have been addressed.
  - CP3: Renewable Energy: Development should contribute to achieving a minimum level of installed renewable heat and electricity capacity by 2029 of 110MWe of electricity and 165MWth of heat.
  - CP4: District Heating: Expects development in three key priority areas to incorporate infrastructure for district heating and to connect to existing systems when they are available: Bath City Centre; Bath Riverside Corridor and Keynsham. These three key priority areas were identified in the AECOM **District Heating Opportunity Assessment Study**<sup>32</sup> and are considered in more detail below. The policy also requires all major developments to demonstrate that they have used a thermal masterplanning approach and selected heating and cooling systems in line with a hierarchy of district heating/ combined heat and power options.
- 6.21 The Core Strategy identifies 12 other areas in the district that have potential for district heating. Development will be encouraged to incorporate infrastructure for district heating, and will be expected to connect to any existing suitable systems unless it is demonstrated that this would render development unviable.
- 6.22 The infrastructure items included in this section form a key part of delivery of the climate change Core Policies listed above, and are also central to our emerging district-wide Energy Strategy.

<sup>32</sup> http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/services/planning-and-building-control/planning-policy/evidence-base/sustainability

Table 16: Target and Actual CO2 Emissions in B&NES in 2009 (Environment Sustainability and Climate Change Strategy 2012-2015)



6.23 The role of Local Authorities will be key in ensuring effective and intensive delivery of the ECO and Green Deal. Local Authorities could choose to deliver the Green Deal directly themselves or in partnership with commercial partners and local organisations. In respect of the ECO, Local Authorities are likely to act as partners, adding value by, for example, providing information on local housing stock, and endorsing and helping market company activity to increase local acceptance and take-up.

Table 17: Bath District Heating Priority Areas

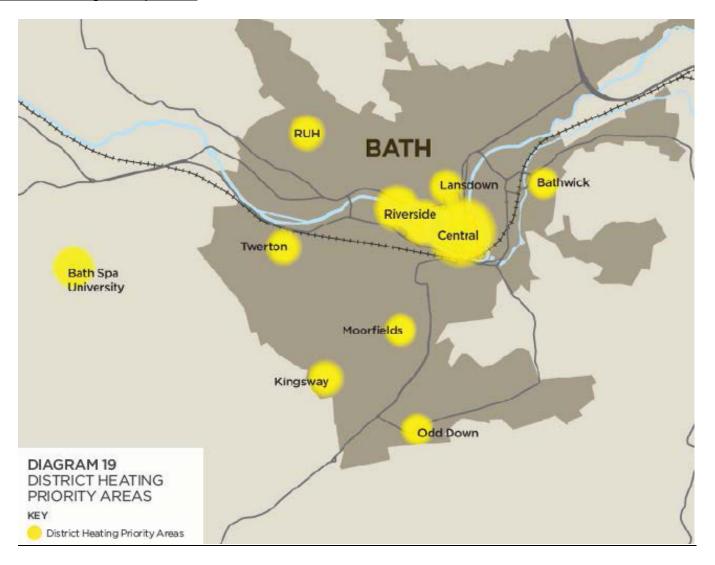
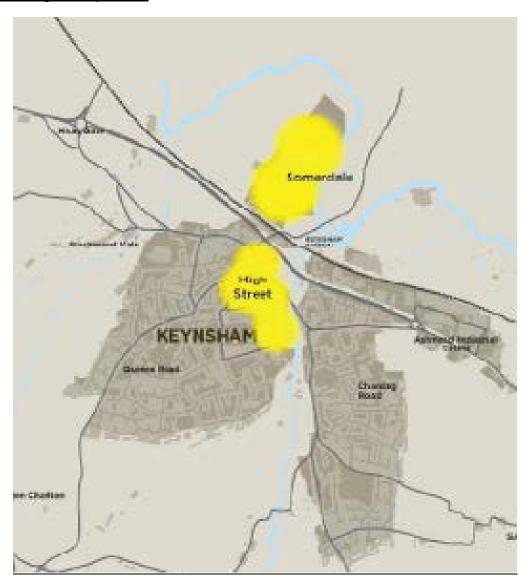
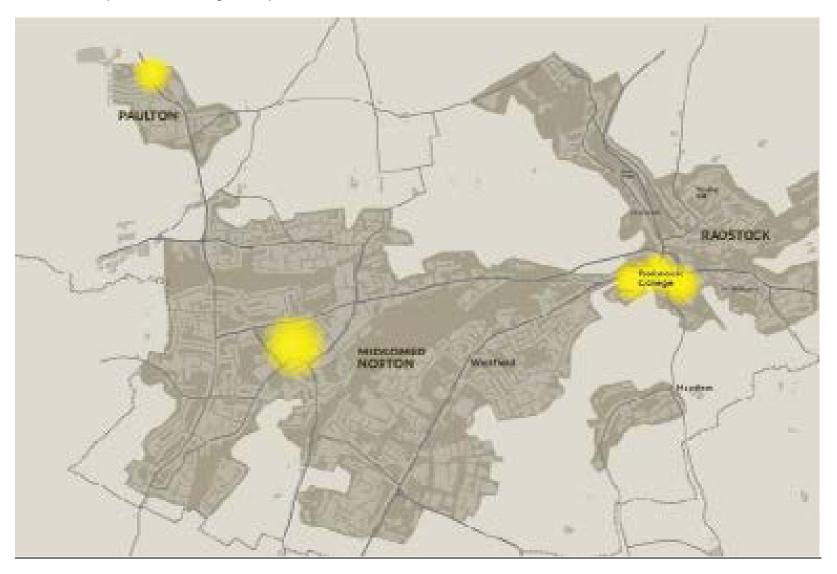


Table 18: Keynsham District Heating Priority Areas



<u>Table 19: Somer Valley District Heating Priority Areas</u>



- The Council has entered into a cooperation agreement 33 with **Bath and West Community Energy** (BWCE) to develop renewable energy and energy efficiency projects within B&NES. BWCE is set up to retain the economic benefits of renewable energy in the local area, and involve communities in their energy projects. The Cooperation Agreement creates a framework for the Council to support and work with BWCE on projects that help to achieve the Council's aims to reduce carbon emissions and increase community capacity and resilience. BWCE aims to generate at least 25% of the draft Core Strategy renewable energy target by 2026, amounting to over 25MWe, through community-based, local projects. BWCE have commenced on a programme to provide solar panels on existing school buildings within B&NES. In this scheme BWCE buys panels to put on a school roof, the school gets the free electricity and BWCE collects the Feed In Tariff to pay back their investment, with the surplus going into a Community Fund. The panels will typically produce between 10% and 25% of a schools energy need.
- 6.25 The rollout of **smart meters** to every home in Great Britain is a Nationally Significant Scheme as identified in the National Infrastructure Plan. The rollout is due to begin in late 2015 and be complete by 2020 so that electricity consumers can participate actively in helping reduce carbon intensity (by consuming less energy) and maintain security of supply (by smoothing their consumption over time). Data and Communications Company licence awards and service provider contracts awards are due to be made by mid-2013.

#### INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENT

Reference	Item	Status	<b>Estimated Cost</b>		Phasing		Policy Area
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	
<u>DWI.19</u>	District Heating	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
<u>DWI.28</u>	Renewable Energy Infrastructure	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
<u>DWI.33</u>	Retrofitting Existing Dwellings	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
<u>DWI.34</u>	Infrastructure for local energy crop	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
	processing and distribution						
<u>DWI.41</u>	Smart Meter Rollout	Key	Not quantified	>	✓		District Wide
<u>BI.7</u>	Bath Centre District Heating Network	Key	£5,010,224	>	>	>	Bath
<u>BI.8</u>	Bath Enterprise Area District Heating	Key	£5,448,996	>	>	>	Bath
	Network						
<u>BI.41d</u>	Renewable energy infrastructure at	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath
	Odd Down Urban Extension						
<u>KI.9</u>	Keynsham District Heating Network	Key	£970,181	>	>	>	Keynsham

<sup>33</sup> http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s7977/Appx%201%20BCE%20Cooperation%20Agreement.pdf

#### **NATIONAL**

- 7.1 The **Childcare Act 2006**<sup>34</sup> requires local authorities to carry out and publish a sufficiency assessment of childcare in their area at least every 3 years. Local authorities are under a duty to ensure that there is sufficient childcare provision to meet the requirements of parents in the local authority's area who require childcare in order to enable them to take up, or remain in, work, or undertake education or training which could reasonably be expected to assist them to obtain work.
- 7.2 Early years provision is triggered by changes to local infrastructure that will result in insufficient childcare as a result of the development; and/or market failure either due to financial failure of a provider serving an area or regulation failure e.g. Ofsted report unsatisfactory indicating that provision is poor within that area and an alternative is required in order for children to benefit and achieve good or better outcomes.
- 7.3 The **Education Funding Agency** is the Department for Educations (DfE) delivery agency for funding and compliance. They provide revenue and capital funding for education for learners between the ages of 3 and 19, or the ages of 3 and 25 for those with learning difficulties and disabilities. They also support the delivery of building and maintenance programmes for schools, academies, Free Schools and sixth-form colleges.

#### LOCAL

- 7.4 Currently around 20% of children aged 0-2 and 95% of children aged 3-4 take up Early Years services.
- 7.5 The latest sufficiency assessment of childcare in B&NES was published in September 2012<sup>35</sup>. It is expected that delivery of provision is through the Private, Voluntary or Independent (PVI) sectors with the Council only being a provider of last resort.
- 7.6 There has been an increase in the number of childcare places over the last few years but variations between children's centre areas continue.
- 7.7 Keynsham Children's Centre has experienced the biggest growth as a result of new and expanded provision opening within the area. One completely new nursery and one existing provider increasing their capacity have more than offset the one closure within the area.
- 7.8 Twerton, Radstock and Paulton still remain areas where supply is well below the average ratio for Bath and North East Somerset Council.

  Radstock and Paulton did experience a slight growth in places but remain well below the average level of provision. In Twerton there was a small decrease in the number of places on offer.

<sup>34</sup> http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/20100418065544/http://www.opsi.gov.uk/acts/acts/2006/pdf/ukpga 20060021 en.pdf

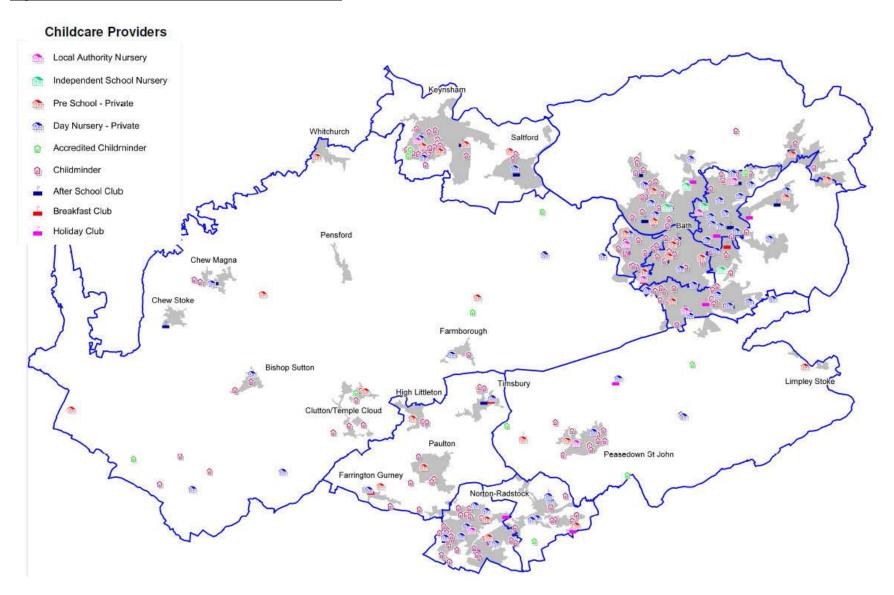
<sup>35</sup>http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/sites/default/files/siteimages/autumn 2012 6 month update.pdf

Figure 20: Childcare ratio analysis (September 2012)

	2010			September 2011				April 2012		Sep	tember 20	)12
Children's Centre	Childcare places	Number of children 0-11	Ratio of childcare places to children	Childcare Places			Childcare Places	* Number of children 0-11		Childcare Places	* Number of children 0-11	Ratio of childcare places to children
Chew Valley	598	1910	0.31	628	2090	0.30	680	2082	0.33	698	2075	0.34
Keynsham	684	2386	0.29	702	2415	0.29	709	2422	0.29	879	2448	0.36
Midsomer Norton	674	2015	0.33	677	2068	0.33	614	2084	0.29	609	2131	0.29
Moorlands	516	1885	0.27	537	1938	0.28	539	1953	0.28	535	1943	0.28
Parkside	931	2552	0.36	942	2570	0.37	908	2576	0.35	916	2538	0.36
Paulton	283	1491	0.19	349	1533	0.23	310	1528	0.20	337	1568	0.21
Peasedown	433	1571	0.28	454	1394	0.33	430	1408	0.31	394	1342	0.29
Radstock	194	1180	0.16	204	1209	0.17	232	1215	0.19	245	1203	0.20
St Martins	722	2528	0.29	721	2635	0.27	737	2653	0.28	727	2642	0.28
Twerton	259	1435	0.18	261	1473	0.18	263	1465	0.18	255	1510	0.17
Weston	950	2606	0.36	961	2625	0.37	944	2629	0.36	899	2696	0.33
Total	6244	21559	0.29	6436	21950	0.29	6366	22015	0.29	6494	22096	0.29

- 7.9 Within each area there are initiatives either underway or due to start which should increase the amount of places on offer. Within Paulton Children's Centre area it is anticipated that the local expansion of Paulton itself will increase the demand for places and that the proposed new provision within local plans may only absorb the new children and the existing gap in places will remain.
- 7.10 There is currently an initiative underway to increase the out of school childcare options in Combe Down which would close the gap in the St Martins Children Centre area to the Council average.
- 7.11 Conclusions from this sufficiency report must be considered within the following context/facts:
  - the local area has a larger than national average number of private and voluntary providers over which the Council has limited influence
  - the choice of childcare provider is a personal decision and there will always be some provision which is more popular than others
  - the number of children requiring childcare and the number of childcare places being provided is in a constant state of flux
  - the most popular form of childcare continues to be family members
- 7.12 Much of the early years capital work carried out by the Council during the last 10 years was a result of funding received from the Department for Education. Following the current spending round announcements from 2011-2013 there is no capital funding coming to the Council from this source. However, the legislation of the 2006 Childcare Act is still in place and the Council has a statutory duty to ensure sufficiency of early years provision.

Figure 21: Childcare Providers within B&NES



## **INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENT**

Reference	ltem	Status	Estimated Cost	Phasing			Policy Area
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	
<u>DWI.3a</u>	Early Years provision	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
<u>BI.3a</u>	New early years facility and primary school at MOD Foxhill site	Key	c. £4,000,000		✓		
<u>BI.9a</u>	New early years facility and primary school at MOD Foxhill site	Key	c.£4,000,000		>	>	Bath
<u>BI.21</u>	Additional Early Years, Primary & Secondary Education capacity in Bath	Key	c.£4,000,000	>	>	>	Bath
<u>MNRI.27</u>	Additional Early Years, Primary & Secondary Education capacity in Midsomer Norton	Key	c.£4,000,000	>	>	>	Somer Valley
<u>MNRI.31</u>	Additional Early Years, Primary & Secondary Education capacity in Radstock	Key	£2,500,000	>	>	>	Somer Valley
<u>MNRI.32</u>	Additional Early Years, Primary & Secondary Education capacity in Paulton	Key	£2,215,000	>	>	>	Somer Valley
<u>KI.7</u>	New early years facility and primary school at Somerdale	Key	c.£4,000,000	>	>	>	Keynsham
<u>KI.16</u>	Additional Early Years, Primary & Secondary Education capacity in Keynsham	Key	£2,500,000	>	>	>	Keynsham
<u>RI.10</u>	Additional Early Years, Primary & Secondary Education capacity in the Rural Areas	Key	£2,500,000	>	>	>	Rural areas

#### **NATIONAL**

- 8.1 Schools are at the centre of their communities, they are critical to the development of resilient, confident and able citizens. Schools form a critical part of the universal public service to families and must play a full role within the delivery of good outcomes for all children and young people. The local authority believes that all children have the right to a quality local school and also believes that every child has the right to the best opportunities that can be provided to meet their specific educational needs. Increasingly schools are becoming and will continue to be more accountable to the public and parents. The LA role will shift to commissioning, brokerage of support and provision of information to parents as 'consumers' of education for their children.
- 8.2 **The Academies Act**<sup>36</sup> (2010) has widened the range of schools able to seek to become an academy so that any school can seek to become an academy. The Government is also promoting the creation of new 'free schools' where there is demand to improve parental choice and quality. Free schools will operate in the same way as academies. Each academy becomes a publicly funded, independent school. It is independent of the LA and has an individual funding agreement with central Government. All elements of funding provided to the local authority which relate to the provision of services or support to the academy are removed from the local authority and allocated to the academy. The local authority retains a number of statutory responsibilities (notably school place planning; home to school transport; and young people with Special Educational Needs) for children and young people and must provide services to these children irrespective of the type of school attended. Admission to Academies, Foundation and Voluntary Aided Schools is the responsibility of the Academy Trust or the governors of the school.
- 8.3 The Government Spending Review for 2015/16 pledged state funding for the creation of up to 180 planning-exempt free schools a year from 2015 onwards. Under amendments to the **GPDO 1995**, brought into force in May 2013, free schools benefit from permitted development rights for up to one academic year. The provision can only be used once for any particular site.
- 8.4 The **Education Funding Agency** (EFA) is the Department for Educations (DfE) delivery agency for funding and compliance. They provide revenue and capital funding for education for learners between the ages of 3 and 19, or the ages of 3 and 25 for those with learning difficulties and disabilities. They also support the delivery of building and maintenance programmes for schools, academies, Free Schools and sixth-form colleges.
- 8.5 The Government is reviewing schools capital funding following the **James Review** of the **Building Schools for the Future** programme and in light of the expansion of the Academies programme. As a consequence allocations from the DfE under the two main funding headings of Basic Need and Capital Maintenance are being made on an annual rather than the previous three year basis.

<sup>36</sup> http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2010/32/contents

- 8.6 DfE have also confirmed that they will introduce a national funding formula in the next spending review period to ensure schools in similar circumstances and with similar intakes receive similar levels of funding. DfE have pledged to simplify the way Local Authorities and the EFA currently fund schools so that it is more consistent and better focused on the needs of pupils.
- 8.7 Because of changes in the law, no infant class can now have more than 30 pupils in it. The declared intention of this Government is to reduce class sizes and thus improve the quality of the children's educational experience.
- 8.8 **The School Premises (England) Regulations 2012**<sup>37</sup> set the minimum standards for school premises at maintained schools, covering toilet and washing facilities; medical accommodation; health, safety and welfare; acoustics; lighting; water supplies; and outdoor space. They will be applied to independent schools (including Free Schools and Academies) through a parallel amendment to the Independent School Standards. The regulations require that 'suitable outdoor space must be provided in order to enable physical education to be provided to pupils in accordance with the school curriculum; and pupils to play outside'.

#### LOCAL

- 8.9 There are a total of 62 primary, infant and junior school within B&NES:
  - 28 Community Schools
  - 24 Voluntary Controlled Church of England Schools
  - 7 Voluntary Aided Church of England Schools
  - 2 Voluntary Aided Catholic Schools
  - 1 Church of England Academy
  - (Including 3 Federations, each of 2 schools, and 1 Federation of 3 schools)
- 8.10 There are three special schools and three primary schools with Resource Bases within the area, for children who have particular special education needs.
- 8.11 The future need for primary school places is expected to be affected by underlying population growth coupled with pupils generated from new housing developments. The impact of this will vary from area to area across the Authority depending on where the population growth is taking place.
- 8.12 Some Basic Need funding is currently allocated by the Department for Education (DfE) to provide additional school places where there is growth in pupil numbers as a result of general underlying population growth that is not specifically linked to a particular housing development. Developer Contributions are designed to mitigate any negative impacts of a new development in an area, where the additional housing might put pressure on local services. Where children generated by new housing developments cannot be accommodated in existing school

<sup>37</sup> http://www.leaislation.gov.uk/uksi/2012/1943/pdfs/uksiem 20121943 en.pdf

provision, Developer Contributions will be sought from developers in order to allow the Authority to provide the additional school places necessary. This could be in the form of additional accommodation added to existing schools where this is possible or via the provision of whole new schools to serve the development. Developer Contributions could be in the form of capital to build the new accommodation and where necessary, land to build on.

Figure 22: Primary Schools within B&NES

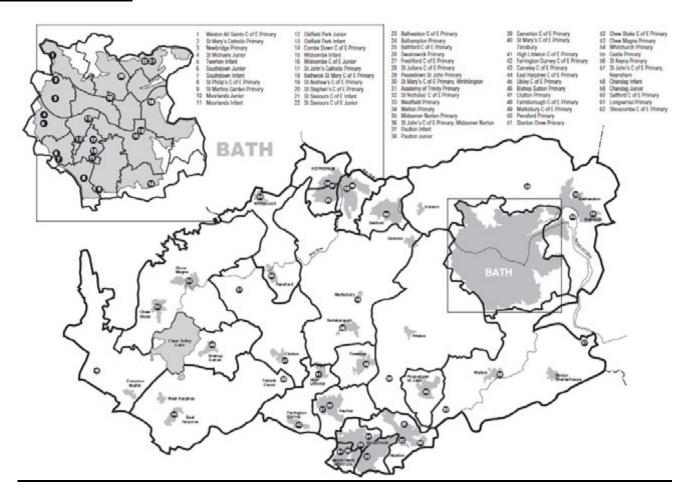


Figure 23: Resident population and births for 0-13 year olds as at September 2011 (B&NES)

Age in 2011	13	12	- 11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
Year of Birth	97-98	98-99	99-00	00-01	01-02	02-03	03-04	04-05	05-06	06-07	07-08	08-09	09-10	10-11
Year Enter YR	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Year Enter Y7	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Total Resident	1997	1914	1863	1802	1842	1745	1744	1837	1820	1948	1815	1803	1841	1905
Total Births	1610	1620	1641	1628	1646	1644	1643	1696	1720	1832	1774	1704	1698	1830

- 8.13 As far as possible, school places should be distributed to meet current and projected needs and to ensure that sufficient school places are available reasonably close to the communities they serve. The expected YR figures for 2012-2015 are shown in the B&NES **Primary and Secondary School organisation Plan 2011-2015**<sup>38</sup>.
- 8.14 In general, the majority of existing primary schools are either already at capacity or projected to reach capacity within the next few years.

  And it is anticipated that there will be minimal or nil surplus capacity to absorb primary age children generated from future new housing development. Developer contributions will be required in order to provide additional primary school places to accommodate them.

#### Bath

- 8.15 Many of the existing primary schools in Bath have limited or no capacity for extension or expansion on site. This is particularly the case for schools in the north and central part of the city as sites are constrained in size, often located on sloping land and sitting within the Conservation Area, therefore land for new schools will be required.
- 8.16 The new housing development in the north of the city planned for the Ministry of Defence (MoD) Ensleigh site is expected to trigger the need for a new school. This is likely to be required in the very early stages of development in order to accommodate the children from the new development as they appear because all of the schools in this area are either already at capacity, or projected to be at capacity within a very short period.

<sup>38</sup> http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s16034/Appdx1.pdf

- 8.17 There will also be an additional need for a smaller number of primary school places generated by the development of the MoD Warminster Road site and also some additional places in the north of the city as a result of various smaller developments planned for this area. All of the above are estimated to amount to approximately 380 places. Due to the lack of available alternative sites within reasonable proximity of the MoD Warminster Road site and the inadequate capacity to expand existing schools, there is a requirement in the MoD Concept Statements for developers to provide sufficient land and to fund the construction of a 210 place school and associated facilities on the MoD Warminster Road site as a minimum.
- 8.18 Further planned development within the central and river corridor area of Bath in addition to the Crest development currently underway, is likely to result in the need to provide a further 210 place school in addition to the new 210 place school planned for the Crest site.
- 8.19 The housing development planned for the MoD Foxhill site in south Bath is likely to trigger the need for a new 210 place on-site primary school.
- 8.20 The exact number of additional places required in total will depend on the housing mix in these new developments how many dwellings are flats, how many houses and how many bedrooms they have but it is estimated that a total of approximately 1,000 new places will be required and sites for new schools will need to be allocated. It is expected that these places will be delivered via Developer Contributions in the form of capital and also land where appropriate.

#### **Keynsham**

- 8.21 In Keynsham there is considered to be limited future scope for existing primary schools to accommodate growth utilising Developer Contributions to add extra capacity. This is due to both the more significant growth anticipated in this area and the fact that the existing school sites do not lend themselves to expansion. It is proposed to use Developer Contributions to expand Castle primary school in order to accommodate the pupils generated by the K2 housing development in South West Keynsham, which will take this school site to capacity and an additional area of land and capital will be provided by the developer in order to do this.
- 8.22 It is anticipated that a new 210 place on-site primary school will be required as a result of the housing development planned for the Somerdale factory site in Keynsham and Developer Contributions in the form of capital and land will be sought to secure these facilities.

## **Somer Valley**

8.23 In Midsomer Norton and Radstock there is considered to be greater scope for existing primary schools to accommodate growth utilising Developer Contributions to add extra capacity. This is due to both the lower levels of growth anticipated and the greater potential for extension or expansion on existing school sites. It is not anticipated at this stage that any whole new schools will be required. However any further significant housing development in Peasedown St John or Paulton is very likely to create a need for additional land for a new school to serve these areas as the existing schools cannot take any further expansion above that already planned.

8.24 It is proposed to use a Developer Contribution in the form of capital to expand Paulton Infant and Junior schools in order to accommodate the pupils generated by the Bovis Homes development on the former Polestar Purnell factory site in Paulton, taking these school sites to capacity. Some expansion is also planned for Peasedown St. John Primary school for the Wellow Lane/Braysdown Lane development in Peasedown St. John using a capital Developer Contribution.

#### Rural areas

8.25 In the rural areas there is generally considered to be greater scope for existing primary schools to accommodate growth utilising Developer Contributions to add extra capacity. This is due to both the lower levels of growth anticipated which is also intended to be spread throughout various village centres across the area and not concentrated in one place and the greater potential for extension or expansion of existing school sites. However some rural school sites do not lend themselves to expansion as they are on constrained sites and development in these areas could be an issue. It is not anticipated that any new schools will be required.

#### <u>Strategy</u>

- 8.26 Sufficient school places must be provided so that the Council can meet its statutory obligation to provide a school place for every child that requires one. Where possible existing schools should be expanded within their existing site or via the addition of an adjoining area of land. If this is not possible, expansion and relocation of an existing school may be considered. If this is not possible, new schools will be required on new sites.
- 8.27 All schools, including new and expanded schools are encouraged to be run in accordance with the Council's aspiration that schools are 'community hubs' in order to achieve:
  - Schools that work within the local community and actively encourage those nearby to attend.
  - School buildings that feature a range of services, all of which serve the wider community. Examples include healthcare; early years provision; Citizens Advice and youth provision.
  - School buildings that are used to their maximum capacity, such as during evenings, at weekends, and during all school holidays e.g. through holiday clubs.
- 8.28 New primary schools will be expected to be all through schools (ages 4-11). New primary schools would be a minimum size of 210 places. If an existing school is to be expanded it should have good educational standards with an OFSTED rating of Outstanding or Good.

#### **Accessibility**

8.29 The Council is aware that some of the older primary schools in particular are not easily accessible for physically disabled children or parents. The Council is working towards making all schools more accessible; however, the strategy agreed by the Council is that at least one primary school will be made fully accessible in each area, so that every child will have an accessible local school. Seventeen primary schools have therefore been designated "Accessible Schools" and while not all of these are fully accessible yet, they can generally meet a limited range of disabilities. The brand new primary schools are all fully accessible.

Figure 24: Designated Accessible Schools in B&NES

The 18 designated accessible schools are:	
Area	Primary School
North & Central Bath	St Andrews CE VA Primary
	Widcombe Infant and Widcombe Junior
North West Bath	St Mary's Catholic Primary
South East Bath	St Martin's Garden Primary School
	Freshford Primary
Central Bath & North East Somerset	Paulton Infant and Paulton Junior
North Bath & North East Somerset	Castle Primary
West Bath & North East Somerset	Chew Stoke Primary
Bathavon	Batheaston Primary
Midsomer Norton	Midsomer Norton Primary
Peasedown	Shoscombe Primary
Radstock	St Mary's Primary, Writhlington
The new fully accessible Primary Schools are:	
Academy of Trinity Primary	St John's Catholic Primary
St Nicholas Primary	St Keyna Primary

8.30 The previous Governments **Primary Capital Programme** was a major commitment to capital investment in Primary Schools nationally, seeking to address the most pressing condition and suitability needs of 50% of schools. The aim was to address the national objectives of providing equal access to quality school places and raise educational standards. Schools such as Batheaston Primary School and Midsomer Norton Primary School have benefitted from the Primary Capital Programme with new buildings.

8.31 The Council has Capital Maintenance Funding 2012/13 of £2.403m. This is to address worst condition items at schools. This is a reduction of £900,000 from 2011/12 levels to reflect schools becoming academies. The Council also has Basic Need funding 2012/13 of £2.118m. This is to provide additional pupil places where there is underlying population growth. The DfE capital allocations are grant funding with no borrowing requirement.

#### **INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENT**

Reference	Item	Status	<b>Estimated Cost</b>		Phasing		Policy Area
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	
DWI.3b	Primary Education	Кеу	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
<u>BI.3a</u>	New Primary School at Bath Western Riverside	Key	c. £4,000,000		✓		Bath
<u>BI.9a</u>	New early years facility and primary school at MOD Foxhill site	Key	c. £4,000,000		>	>	Bath
<u>BI.14</u>	Weston All Saints Primary School: New buildings	Complete	£3,600,000		Complete		Bath
<u>BI.21</u>	New primary school and early years facility at Bath Western Riverside (BWR Other)	Key	c. £4,000,000	>	>	>	Bath
<u>BI.27b</u>	New primary school at MOD Ensleigh site (and other educational requirements)	Key	c. £4,000,000	>	>	>	Bath
<u>BI41a</u>	Educational Infrastructure for Odd Down Urban Extension	Key	c.£2,500,000	>	>	>	Bath
<u>BI.42</u>	Educational Infrastructure for Central and River Corridor and MoD Warminster Road	Key	c.£2,500,000	>	>	>	Bath
<u>BI.43</u>	Weston All Saints CofE Primary School expansion	Key	£1,800,000	✓			Bath
<u>BI.44</u>	St. Saviour's C of E Junior school	Key	£1,800,000	✓			Bath
<u>BI.45</u>	Oldfield Park Junior school	Key	£300,000	✓			Bath
<u>BI.46</u>	Moorland Infant and Junior schools	Key	c.£2,500,000	✓			Bath
<u>MNRI.10</u>	Midsomer Norton Primary School: New buildings	Complete	£2,300,000		Complete		Somer Valley

<u>MNRI.27</u>	Additional Early Years, Primary & Secondary Education capacity in Midsomer Norton	Key	c.£4,000,000	>	>	>	Somer Valley
<u>MNRI.31</u>	Additional Early Years, Primary & Secondary Education capacity in Radstock	Key	£2,500,000	<b>&gt;</b>	>	>	Somer Valley
<u>MNRI.32</u>	Additional Early Years, Primary & Secondary Education capacity in Paulton	Key	£2,215,000	<b>&gt;</b>	<b>&gt;</b>	<b>&gt;</b>	Somer Valley
<u>KI.7</u>	New early years facility and primary school at Somerdale	Key	c. £4,000,000	>	>	>	Keynsham
<u>KI.16</u>	Additional Early Years, Primary & Secondary Education capacity in Keynsham	Key	£2,500,000	>	>	>	Keynsham
<u>KI.20a</u>	Educational Infrastructure for East of Keynsham Urban Extension	Key	c. £4,000,000	>	>	>	Keynsham
<u>KI.22</u>	Castle Primary School Expansion	Key	£990,000	>	>	>	Keynsham
<u>RI.10</u>	Additional Early Years, Primary & Secondary Education capacity in the Rural Areas	Key	£2,500,000	<b>&gt;</b>	>	>	Rural areas
<u>RI.14a</u>	Educational Infrastructure for Whitchurch Urban Extension	Key	c. £800,000	>	>	>	Rural areas
<u>RI.15</u>	Saltford C of E Primary school expansion	Key	£750,000	✓			Rural areas

#### **NATIONAL**

- 9.1 The **Education Funding Agency** is the DfE's delivery agency for funding and compliance. They provide revenue and capital funding for education for learners between the ages of 3 and 19, or the ages of 3 and 25 for those with learning difficulties and disabilities. They also support the delivery of building and maintenance programmes for schools, academies, Free Schools and sixth-form colleges.
- 9.2 The Government is reviewing schools capital funding following the James Review of the Building Schools for the Future programme and in light of the expansion of the Academies programme. As a consequence allocations from the DfE under the two main funding headings of Basic Need and Capital Maintenance are being made on an annual rather than the previous three year basis and so there is no certainty of the levels of funding in 2013/14 or future years.
- 9.3 **The School Premises (England) Regulations 2012** set the minimum standards for school premises at maintained schools, covering toilet and washing facilities; medical accommodation; health, safety and welfare; acoustics; lighting; water supplies; and outdoor space. They will be applied to independent schools (including Free Schools and Academies) through a parallel amendment to the Independent School Standards. The regulations require that 'suitable outdoor space must be provided in order to enable physical education to be provided to pupils in accordance with the school curriculum; and pupils to play outside'. This removes the previous requirement for secondary schools to provide pitches ranging from 5,000sqm for the smallest schools to 35,000sqm for schools with 600 pupils or more.

#### LOCAL

- 9.4 There are a total of 13 secondary schools within B&NES:
  - Academies
  - 2 Community Schools (Both expected to become Academies by the end of 2012)
  - 1 Foundation School
  - 1 Voluntary Aided Catholic School
  - 1 Voluntary Aided Church of England School
  - (Including 2 Federations, each of 2 schools)
  - 10 schools have sixth forms
  - 10schools are co-educational
  - 1 schools is single sex boys and 1 school is single sex girls
- 9.5 Current forecasts indicate that existing secondary school and sixth form provision is expected to be sufficient for future pupil numbers arising from underlying population growth and future house building within this period. Generally speaking secondary pupil numbers are expected to be lower over the next few years as the smaller numbers of primary pupils seen in the past reach secondary school age. Pupil numbers are

- then expected to pick up again for admissions into Year 7 in 2018 when the current primary pupils who entered Reception in 2011 reach secondary school age and generally to remain higher from that point onwards.
- 9.6 The Authority is a net importer of pupils with many pupils travelling into the Authority from neighbouring Authorities. This creates challenges when planning secondary school places as these patterns can change. External factors such as the popularity of schools in neighbouring Authorities can affect the number of pupils that come into Bath and North East Somerset, as can changes to the schools in this Authority such as single sex schools becoming co-educational.
- 9.7 Should a future proposed new housing development in a particular area be projected to result in a shortfall of secondary school or sixth form places, the Authority will seek contributions from developers to provide additional places. If additional secondary and sixth form provision is required, this is likely to be delivered via the expansion of existing schools rather than by building whole new schools. This situation will continue to be monitored.

#### <u>Bath</u>

9.8 In the Bath area secondary pupil numbers are projected to gradually increase, although the capacity available within the seven schools in this area is still likely to be sufficient to meet demand if, over time, the new Year 7 pupils resident in the Catchment Area gradually fill most of the places that are currently taken up by out of catchment pupils, mainly at Oldfield. It is possible that available capacity could start to be met or exceeded, possibly starting in about 2018. The availability of existing capacity will continue to be monitored and should it be necessary to provide additional secondary school or sixth form provision in the future, this is likely to be provided via the use of developer contributions to expand existing schools and facilities.

#### **Keynsham**

9.9 In the Keynsham area there is projected to be sufficient secondary capacity as all of the planned housing development is expected to be within the Broadlands Catchment Area where there are projected to be secondary school spaces available in the future. The development on the Somerdale factory site might generate approximately 20 secondary age pupils per year group in addition to those within existing known developments and outlined previously. Additional sixth form places may be required. For any development within the Wellsway School catchment, this school is close to capacity, so contributions are likely to be required to expand capacity on site.

#### **Somer Valley**

9.10 In the Somer Valley area secondary pupil numbers are increasing and it is possible that the capacity available within Norton Hill, Somervale and Writhlington schools could start to be met or exceeded by admissions in about 2018 or possibly by 2017. It is possible that some of the out of catchment pupils on roll at the schools in this area could be displaced gradually over time as new Year 7 pupils living in the Catchment Area apply for a place at their local school, resulting in fewer places being available for pupils from outside the Catchment Area. The level of this availability will continue to be monitored and if additional accommodation was to be required in the future, this would be provided via the use of developer contributions to expand existing schools.

#### **Rural Areas**

- 9.11 There is also projected to be sufficient capacity in the Rural Area as the planned development in this area is on a smaller scale and most has already been accounted for within existing known developments. It is possible that some of the out of catchment pupils on roll could be displaced gradually over time as new Year 7 pupils living in the Catchment Area apply for a place at the school, resulting in fewer places being available for pupils from outside the Catchment Area.
- 9.12 New secondary schools will be expected to be secondary schools with a sixth form (ages 11-18). New secondary schools would be a minimum size of 600 places in Years 7 11. If an existing school is to be expanded it should have good educational standards with an OFSTED rating of Outstanding or Good.
- 9.13 The Council has **Capital Maintenance Funding** 2012/13 of £2.403m. This is to address worst condition items at schools. This is a reduction of £900,000 from 2011/12 levels to reflect schools becoming academies. The Council also has Basic Need funding 2012/13 of £2.118m. This is to provide additional pupil places where there is underlying population growth. The DfE capital allocations are grant funding with no borrowing requirement.

## **INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENT**

Reference	Item	Status	<b>Estimated Cost</b>		Phasing		Policy Area
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	
<u>DWI.3c</u>	Secondary and Sixth Form Education	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
<u>BI.21</u>	Additional Early Years, Primary & Secondary Education capacity in Bath	Key	c. £5,000,000	>	>	>	Bath
<u>MNRI.27</u>	Additional Early Years, Primary & Secondary Education capacity in Midsomer Norton	Key	Not quantified	>	>	<b>≻</b>	Somer Valley
<u>MNRI.31</u>	Additional Early Years, Primary & Secondary Education capacity in Radstock	Key	£2,500,000	>	>	>	Somer Valley
<u>MNRI.32</u>	Additional Early Years, Primary & Secondary Education capacity in Paulton	Key	£2,215,000	>	>	>	Somer Valley
<u>KI.16</u>	Additional Early Years, Primary & Secondary Education capacity in Keynsham	Key	£2,500,000	>	<b>&gt;</b>	>	Keynsham
<u>KI.18</u>	New 6 court sports hall at Wellsway School	Complete	£2,747,000		Complete		Keynsham
<u>RI.10</u>	Additional Early Years, Primary & Secondary Education capacity in the Rural Areas	Key	£2,500,000	>	<b>&gt;</b>	>	Rural areas

## **EDUCATION: FURTHER & HIGHER EDUCATION**

### **NATIONAL**

- 10.1 The unique mix of academic, occupational and vocational education offered by FE colleges means they have a unique role to play in delivering the Government's skills agenda whilst supporting other cross-government initiatives.
- 10.2 The **Education Funding Agency** is the DfE's delivery agency for funding and compliance. They provide revenue and capital funding for education for learners between the ages of 3 and 19, or the ages of 3 and 25 for those with learning difficulties and disabilities. They also support the delivery of building and maintenance programmes for schools, academies, Free Schools and sixth-form colleges.
- 10.3 Government wants to achieve a position where all colleges operate with estate which is in at least 'Good' condition, fit for purpose, and is versatile enough to efficiently accommodate changes in curriculum, social and economic needs and/or educational delivery.
- 10.4 The **FE Capital Investment Strategy**<sup>39</sup> details the creation of a £550m capital investment programme in the FE college estate in 2013-14 and 2014-15 targeted at colleges in the greatest need of help and those that can support growth in the economy. This will be available to support projects that will be operational by September 2015.
- 10.5 In addition, the government is proposing to give an early indication of capital funding availability across the next spending review period at the earliest opportunity.
- 10.6 The **Skills Funding Agency**<sup>40</sup> will work closely with BIS to take the FE Capital Investment Strategy forward by delivering a new programme with three elements: a Project Development Fund to support college project development; a College Capital Investment Fund targeted at those colleges with the greatest need to improve their estates and those capable of contributing to the Government's growth agenda; and targeted Capital Allocations.

### LOCAL

- 10.7 Currently around 60% of pupils who have completed their secondary school education stay on to access Post 16 education. There are two further education colleges in the district (City of Bath College and Norton Radstock College). Responsibility for Further Education is being transferred from the LSCC to the Council. Both colleges have been in discussion with the LSCC on significant projects to overhaul facilities and these have stalled due to a lack of central Government funding.
- 10.8 There are two higher education institutions in the district: the University of Bath and Bath Spa University.

<sup>39</sup> http://www.bis.gov.uk/assets/biscore/further-education-skills/docs/F/12-1340-further-education-college-capital-investment-strategy-plan

<sup>40</sup> http://propertyservices.skillsfundingagency.bis.gov.uk/capitalfunding/

## **EDUCATION: FURTHER & HIGHER EDUCATION**

- 10.9 The *University of Bath* prepared a Masterplan in 2009 and its needs for the plan period can be met on campus in line with Local Plan policy GDS.1/B11 which has been saved alongside the Core Strategy. Between 2009 and 2012 a number of site specific and contextual changes occurred that the University have incorporated into the 2009-2026 Masterplan Summary Update.
- 10.10 Developments implemented on the campus since 2009 include: the demolition and replacement of 4 West; improvement of the Student Centre; improvement of the Arrivals Area; and the development of the East Building (and subsequent relocation of the clay tennis courts).
- 10.11 **Bath Spa University** is in the process of preparing a **Bath Spa University Masterplan** (considering all sites) and a specific Newton Park Campus Masterplan. It is seeking to improve its academic buildings and increase on-campus residence.

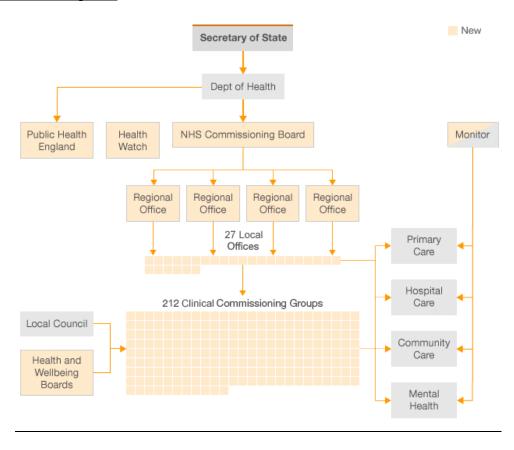
### **INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENT**

Reference	Item	Status	Estimated Cost	Phasing			Policy Area
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	
<u>DWI.20</u>	Further Education	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
<u>DWI.21</u>	Higher Education	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	<b>&gt;</b>	District Wide
<u>BI.34</u>	Sixth Form accommodation at St Gregory's Catholic College	Complete	£2,776,000		Complete		Bath
<u>BI.47</u>	Construction Skills Academy	Desirable	£10,000,000	>	>	>	Bath

### **NATIONAL**

11.1 The **Health and Social Care Act** <sup>41</sup> transfers the responsibility for public health to upper-tier local authorities from April 2013. It also requires the creation of **Health and Wellbeing Boards** to bring together key commissioners from the local NHS and local government to strategically plan local health and social care services. The Board will be a statutory committee of upper-tier local authorities.

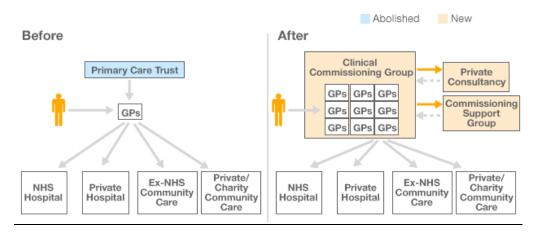
Figure 25: Overall structure of the NHS in England



<sup>41</sup> http://www.dh.gov.uk/health/2012/06/act-explained/

- 11.2 The NPPF requires planners to promote healthy communities, use evidence to assess health and wellbeing needs, and work with public health leads and organisations.
- 11.3 From April 2013 the majority of local health services will be commissioned by **Clinical Commissioning Groups** (CCGs) made up of a number of local general practices. CCGs will be authorised by the **NHS Commissioning Board**. As part of the authorisation process, each CCG needs to demonstrate that it is engaged with the Health and Wellbeing Board.
- 11.4 CCGs and upper-tier local authorities are required to prepare an assessment of the relevant health and social care needs of the area through the Health and Wellbeing Board (the **Joint Strategic Needs Assessment**). The priorities within **Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategies** (JHWSs) will be based on the needs identified in JSNAs.
- 11.5 The **Public Health Outcomes Framework** sets the context for local areas to decide what public health interventions they will make. The body responsible for improving the health and wellbeing of the population and reducing inequalities in health and wellbeing outcomes is **Public Health England** (PHE). Its role will include 'delivering, supporting and enabling' improvements in health and wellbeing set out in the Public Health Outcomes Framework. PHE does not begin its role officially until April 2013.
- 11.6 CCGs will take over the role currently played by the Primary Care Trust (PCT) in commissioning primary medical services (such as GP practices). Currently, each PCT must, to the extent that it considers necessary to meet all reasonable requirements, exercise its powers so as to provide primary medical services within its area, or secure their provision within its area.

### Figure 26: Clinical Commissioning Groups



11.7 During 2013 the Government will appoint a Chief Inspector of Local Practice to help drive up standards of excellence in GP practices across the country through clear, open and robust assessments of how well each GP practice is serving its patients.

### LOCAL

11.8 **NHS B&NES** (the Primary Care Trust) was formed in April 2001 and provides Primary and Community services to, and is responsible for, all people registered with GPs in the area. NHS B&NES and the Council work within a formal **Health and Wellbeing Partnership** to commission integrated health, social care and housing services. From April 2013 the PCT will cease to exist as an organisation and the Health and Wellbeing board will take over their functions.

### Figure 27: Current Care Quality Commission ratings for NHS organisations

Healthcare organisation	Overall Quality of Services	Financial Management Score
Royal United Hospital Bath NHS Trust	Good	Good
Bath and North East Somerset PCT	Good	Good
Avon and Wiltshire Mental Health Partnership NHS Trust	Fair	Good
Great Western Ambulance Service NHS Trust	Weak	Fair
Royal National Hospital for Rheumatic Diseases NHS Foundation Trust	Good	Fair

- 11.9 The **B&NES JSNA**<sup>42</sup> (2012) shows that the health of people in B&NES is generally better than the England average. Over the last 10 years, mortality rates for all causes have fallen from 731 per 100,000 in 1993 to 495 per 100,000 in 2010 (-32%). The four leading causes of mortality in B&NES are conditions of the heart, cancer, conditions of the lungs and diseases of the bowls, liver, kidney and stomach. Excess Winter Mortality peaked between 2006/7 and 2008/9; since 2008/9 the figure has dropped considerably.
- 11.10 An increase in life expectancy recorded at national level will create significant changes to our local population. Although the older population is not significantly over represented in B&NES, their numbers will increase in the future. At present one in five houses has older residents, and as the population ages the demand for appropriate housing will grow. B&NES has a higher than average number of people aged 65+ who are permanent residents of care homes (92 people per 10,000 in 2009/10). With increasing age, the profile of disease and cause of death changes, with increased prevalence of physical and mental frailty. This changing pattern will increase pressure on public, private and voluntary care provision.

<sup>42</sup> http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/services/your-council-and-democracy/local-research-and-statistics/joint-strategic-needs-assessment

- 11.11 Despite relatively low levels of social inequality, there are small geographical areas with notable issues. These areas are largely comprised of social housing estates. Overall, five areas are within the most notable 20% of the country across a range of data: Twerton West, Whiteway, Twerton, Fox Hill North, and Whiteway West. Social inequality has a significant relationship with a wide range of health and social care needs. People living in these areas live significantly shorter lives compared to other areas; a man born in one of these communities can expect to die 6.3 years younger than a man born in the 20% experiencing the least inequality. A greater rate of people die in these communities compared to those experiencing the least inequality. This group also have a 60% higher prevalence of long term conditions and 60% higher severity of conditions than those living in areas suffering least inequalities. This cohort has been identified as being at particular risk of premature births. Babies born to mothers in this group are more likely to have a lower birth weight.
- 11.12 The **PCT** is required to ensure the provision of safe, secure, high quality healthcare buildings capable of supporting current and future service needs. The PCT property portfolio includes:
  - St Martins Hospital in Bath that comprises in and outpatient facilities;
  - A community hospital site in Paulton with in and outpatient services and adjacent GP practice;
  - A Walk in Centre in Bath which also accommodates the GP out-of-hours service provided by Minerva;
  - A new health centre facility in Keynsham accommodating various primary care outpatient services and a GP practice.
- 11.13 The PCT *Estates Strategy*<sup>43</sup> identifies three geographical hubs of Keynsham/Chew Valley (at Keynsham Health Park); Norton Radstock (at The Hollies an LA property hosting integration of service provision); and Bath (at St Martins Hospital and Riverside). Each of these Hubs will be the main base and focal point in each of the geographical areas which will link to and support the numerous other Primary Care services locations in each of the areas. Each Hub will be supported by NHS owned and/or controlled estate, identified as *Community Estate* and that estate owned /or controlled by the GP and Dental Practices, Pharmacies and Optometrists, known as the *Primary Care Estate*. The Estates Strategy has been developed considering the impact of the implementation of the Local Development Framework.
- 11.14 There are 28 **GP practices** within the PCT area; all lists are open, signifying that supply is at least matching demand. The GP registered population is 192,913. Provision is evidenced as being high quality through annual QUOF scores and by low exception reporting rates. A PCT survey of the Primary Care Estate has identified a number of premises owned /occupied by the GP practices, which ideally require investment or realignment in order to improve the quality and accessibility of services. In response to this, the Trust will be considering further investment in the primary care estate by reviewing the opportunities to improve utilisation.
- 11.15 The PCT is analysing its demographical data in respect of the community the Primary Care Estate serves, reviewing travel distances, list sizes and GP practice localities to ascertain the sufficiency of provision of premises in the correct localities. This will also include a review of the

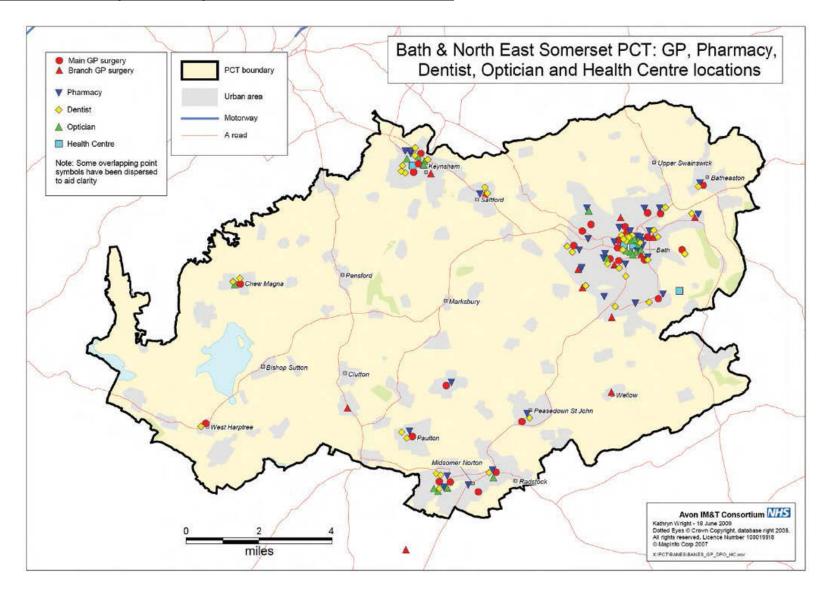
<sup>43</sup>http://www.banes.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/SiteCollectionDocuments/About%20Us/Board%20Papers/2010/Board%20Papers%208%20April%202010/Agenda%20item%208%20Estates%20Strategy%202009.19.pdf

utilisation of premises and is likely to identify a rationalisation of provision in order to fund the expansion and improvement of the premises identified.

- 11.16 Subject to agreement of a primary care investment framework, the PCT would support GP premises improvements in the practices where condition surveys indicate category below condition 'B' The priorities for Primary care premises would be those in Estate code condition 'C' and B/C:
  - St Augustine's
  - Harptree
  - Hope House
  - Hillcrest
  - Camely Branch Surgery
  - Somerton
  - Chew Magna
- 11.17 There are a high number of **dental practices** for the population size: 32 practices including 2 corporate groups and a range of independents.

  There is no overall market domination by any single group. There is a very good geographical spread. Dental services benchmark high against the vital signs quality indicators. B&NES has the lowest re-attendance rate in the South West. Building & estates are of variable quality.
- 11.18 B&NES has 35 local pharmacists spread across our local communities with no overall market domination and no significant performance issues.
- 11.19 There are 22 high street **opticians**, a relatively high number for the population size. Capacity to monitor quality of provision is limited but plans are being put in place for self-assessment. The Partnership acknowledges this as an area on which they need to make more progress.
- 11.20 No specific issues were raised in relation to primary care provision as part of the evidence gathering process for the IDP from B&NES PCT.
- 11.21 The RTPI recognises that neighbourhoods need to be planned not just to provide physical infrastructure such as GP surgeries, but also to promote walking and cycling, with easy access to well-managed formal and informal green spaces and play areas. The quality of the places in which we live, work, learn and play, as well as access to healthy food, is a major determinant to how active we are and is a central contribution to helping to reduce the onset of obesity and cardio-vascular diseases. Infrastructure provision for health is therefore linked with other 'categories' in the IDP, such as Green Infrastructure and Leisure, as well as requiring good urban design principles to be applied in designing new developments.

Figure 28: GP, Pharmacy, Dentist, Optician and Health Centre locations



## **INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENT**

Reference	ltem	Status	Estimated Cost	Phasing		Policy Area	
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	
<u>BI.3b</u>	New GP surgery at Bath Western Riverside	Key	£1,500,000		✓		Bath
<u>BI.9f</u>	New Primary Care Facility at MOD Foxhill site	Key	£1,500,000		>	>	Bath
<u>RI.2</u>	New GP surgery at Chew Stoke	Complete	£3,000,000		Complete		Rural
							areas
<u>RI.11</u>	Redevelopment of Paulton Hospital	Desirable	000,000,8£	>	>	>	Rural
							areas

### **HEALTH: URGENT & ELECTIVE SECONDARY HEALTHCARE**

### LOCAL

- 12.1 The Royal United Hospital NHS Trust for major acute hospital services (RUH) provides acute treatment and care for a catchment population of 500,000 in Bath and the surrounding towns and countryside of North East Somerset and Western Wiltshire. Acute care is focused on the young and old and therefore the demographic profile of the population has a greater influence on the demand for services than the total number. Locally it is these two age groups that are expected to grow. The Trust was rated "good" for quality of care and management of resources by the Care Quality Commission for 2008/09. The RUH will become an NHS Foundation Trust in Spring 2012. The B&NES JSNA states that overall there is a significantly lower rate of outpatient attendances than the national average. Planned and unplanned admissions are lower than national averages. The number of patients who died following treatment at the RUH in 2010/11 (1,928) was lower than the number expected to die, and the RUH performs better than the England average for lower than expected deaths.
- 12.2 The RUH has a five year plan (*The Estates Plan*<sup>44</sup>) which will see out-dated buildings replaced by new facilities including a new cancer centre and a new 368 space car park. This builds on the commitment in the RUH Strategic Direction document<sup>45</sup> (2009-2013) to deliver a phased estate redevelopment programme that substantially improves the environment of care for patients and staff.
- 12.3 The **University Hospitals Bristol NHS Foundation Trust** rated "good" for quality of care in 2008/9 and is the main university and teaching hospital providing the majority of tertiary services to the population of NHS B&NES.
- 12.4 The **Royal National Hospital for Rheumatic Diseases** is the provider of secondary care rheumatology services for B&NES, and a more specialist head injury service with a national reputation. Early Foundation Trust now struggling to demonstrate financial viability, scoring "good" for quality of care and "fair" for management of resources.
- 12.5 Independent Sector Treatment Centres: The nationally commissioned centre at Shepton Mallet provides choice in elective surgery with well-established elective flows. The PCT is commissioning up to £3m of services from the new NHS treatment centre at Emersons Green which opened in 2009, this is likely to impact on RUH, the existing ISTC and Bristol providers. Additionally a new private hospital has recently opened in Peasedown St John (left) and this is likely to be an NHS choice option.

### **INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENT**

Reference	Item	Status	Estimated Cost	Phasing			Policy Area
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	
<u>DWI.4</u>	Acute Care	Кеу	£38,752,000	>	>	✓	District Wide

<sup>44</sup> http://www.ruh.nhs.uk//about/trustboard/2011 06/documents/15 appendix 1.pdf

<sup>45</sup> http://www.ruh.nhs.uk/foi/strategy.asp

### **HEALTH: MENTAL HEALTH**

### LOCAL

- 13.1 **Avon and Wiltshire Mental Health Partnership NHS Trust** is the main provider of specialist in patient and community mental health services. The Trust has been challenged both financially and in service terms but following investment from commissioners is now providing care which demonstrates fidelity to the DH model. The Trust is currently reviewing its timescale to progress into the Foundation Trust pipeline.
- 13.2 The **B&NES JSNA** states that based purely on service indicators, the quality of primary mental health services is generally in-line or better than national average.
- 13.3 The JSNA states that people experiencing mental disabilities are at risk of a wide range of associated orders and conditions. 46% of people with a mental health problem also have a long term condition, and 30% of people with a long term condition also have a mental health problem. Chronic physical health problems have been shown to exacerbate depression and vice versa.
- 13.4 Estimates in the JSNA suggest that over 18,500 people aged 16-64 have a common mental disorder in 2010/11 and 8,337 have 2 or more psychiatric disorders. Depression prevalence is high with 12.8% for 2010/11 (national 11.2%).

### **INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENT**

None currently identified

### **HEALTH: COMMUNITY HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE**

### **NATIONAL**

- 14.1 The Health and Social Care Act 2012 requires the creation of **Health and Wellbeing Boards** to bring together key commissioners from the local NHS and local government to strategically plan local health and social care services.
- 14.2 The **Reforming Care and Support White Paper**<sup>46</sup> (July 2012) announced a new care and support housing fund, which will provide £200m of capital funding over five years from 2013/14 to encourage providers to develop new accommodation options for older people and disabled adults. The Government believes that there is a particular need to develop a greater supply of accommodation for the growing number of older people who are homeowners, and will look at ways for the capital fund to encourage the development of specialised housing for this group. Extra-care homes provide good outcomes for recently retired people who have low-level care needs, as well as being a cost-effective alternative to residential care.
- 14.3 The Government expects the Department of Health and the NHS to give particular consideration to developing housing for older and disabled people when identifying and making available land which is no longer required for health purposes.

### LOCAL

- 14.4 As PCTs are being phased out by the Government, a new social enterprise body (Sirona Care & Health Community Interest Company) has been created by B&NES Council and NHS B&NES to run £50m of services. This has been formally supported by the board of the South West Strategic Health Authority and was launched in October 2011. Sirona employs around 1,700 staff and is responsible for more than 60 services across health and social care. Sirona are responsible for the delivery of the community healthcare and adult social care services previously provided by the PCT and B&NES Council.
- 14.5 Great Western Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (formally *Wiltshire Community Healthcare Services for maternity services*) provides maternity services for B&NES residents on the RUH and Paulton hospital sites and in the community. Currently managed by NHS Wiltshire, it is not yet clear what the future may hold as that PCT determine the future of their in house provided services.
- 14.6 There were 5,310 recipients of adult social care in 2010/11. 3,140 were aged 65+ and 2,170 aged 18-64. Out of the 500 providers of care within a 20 mile radius of Bath, 11 have been highlighted as needing to improve standards by CQC.
- 14.7 From April 2013 Healthwatch B&NES will operate as the new consumer champion for health and social care and will replace B&NES LINk which has undertaken this work since 2008. The role of Healthwatch is to promote the consumer interest of all those who use health and social care services.

<sup>46</sup> http://www.dh.gov.uk/health/files/2012/07/White-Paper-Caring-for-our-future-reforming-care-and-support-PDF-1580K.pdf

## **HEALTH: COMMUNITY HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE**

## **INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENT**

• None currently identified

### **NATIONAL**

### Waste

- 15.1 The waste and recycling sector currently generates over £12bn per year in the UK and employs over 100,000 people. It is expected to grow by 3% a year. The Government is encouraging private investment in the sector to expand capacity, particularly in recycling where more than £5bn worth of materials is sent abroad for processing each year instead of being handled in the UK<sup>47</sup>.
- 15.2 The UK currently produces less municipal waste per capita than some European neighbours but recycles less and sends a greater proportion to landfill than countries like France and Germany. The Government has made a commitment to work towards a 'zero waste' economy in the Coalition Programme for Government<sup>48</sup> (May 2010) and reiterated their commitment to the waste hierarchy during a 2011 policy review<sup>49</sup> giving top priority to waste prevention, followed by preparing for re-use, recycling, other types of recovery (including energy recovery), and last of all waste disposal. This means reducing the amount of waste that is produced and ensuring that all material resources are fully valued both during their productive life and at 'end of life' as waste. This will help deliver a healthier natural environment and reduced impacts on climate change. The Government's strategy for waste management is to improve performance across the waste hierarchy.
- 15.3 Achieving the ambitions of the waste hierarchy means having the appropriate waste processing and treatment infrastructure built and operated effectively to enable the most efficient treatment of waste and resources. Waste infrastructure provision is largely left to private sector and waste industry market mechanisms although local government contracting and procurement can have a significant role in stimulating infrastructure development. The Government aims to ensure that there are no unnecessary barriers to the market delivering the necessary infrastructure. A report by the Associate Parliamentary Sustainable Resource Group (APSRG) (September 2011) estimates that the UK will need to invest £8bn in improving waste infrastructure and management by 2020 to meet EU directives and avoid a fine for failing to cut the amount of waste going to landfill<sup>50</sup>.
- 15.4 Where waste cannot be prevented or recycled, there are a number of technologies available to treat waste rather than send it to landfill. Each of these may have a role to play, given the variety of waste arising and the local situation. One example is an anaerobic digestion plant which could offer a local, environmentally sound option for treating segregated food waste or other suitable waste such as sewage sludge. This helps to divert waste from landfill, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, produce renewable energy and produce fertiliser, returning valuable nutrients to the land. Such facilities are being promoted by DEFRA in their **Anaerobic Digestion Strategy and Action Plan<sup>51</sup>**. The **Waste and**

<sup>47</sup> https://www.gov.uk/government/news/waste-industry-growth-summit-to-create-uk-investment

<sup>48</sup> http://www.direct.gov.uk/prod consum da/groups/da diaitalassets/@da/@en/documents/diaitalasset/da 187876.pdf

<sup>49</sup> http://www.defra.gov.uk/publications/files/pb13540-waste-policy-review110614,pdf

<sup>50</sup> http://www.policyconnect.org.uk/sites/default/files/Rubbish%20to%20Resource%20Financing%20New%20Waste%20Infrastructure.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>51</sup> http://www.defra.gov.uk/publications/files/anaerobic-digestion-strat-action-plan.pdf

**Resources Action Programme**<sup>52</sup> has set up a loan fund of £10m to provide debt finance to help stimulate investment in additional infrastructure to support this method of recovering energy from waste.

- 15.5 The **Waste Framework Directive** requires each EU member state to produce a Waste Management Plan. The Government is committed to delivering a new **National Waste Management Plan** for England by spring 2013. The **EU Landfill Directive**<sup>53</sup> targets that the amount of biodegradable municipal waste sent to landfill should be reduced to 50% of the 1995 level in 2013 and 35% in 2020. The current proportion of UK municipal waste going to landfill is 49%, compared to a EU average of 37%. The **EU Waste Framework Directive**<sup>54</sup> targets that, by 2020, 50% of waste from households is recycled, and that at least 70% of construction and demolition waste is recovered. The recycling rate in England in 2010-11 was 41%.
- 15.6 Efforts to reduce the environmental impacts of waste nationally are affected by a number of challenges including a lack of recycling services in some areas and in relation to some materials, the high cost of some services and a lack of convenience, and a lack of awareness amongst small and medium-sized enterprises of their legal obligations and of services available in their area.
- 15.7 Commercial and industrial (C&I) waste has been identified as one of the priority industry sectors by the **Green Investment Bank**.
- 15.8 The **National Policy Statement for Hazardous Waste**<sup>55</sup> should remove some of the barriers to the development of major hazardous waste infrastructure and encourage industry to put forward development proposals for the infrastructure that is needed.

### LOCAL

### Waste

15.9 Local authorities remain responsible for developing local authority waste plans as part of their wider strategic planning responsibilities. The West of England's *Joint Waste Core Strategy*<sup>56</sup> aims to minimise waste and maximise self-containment within the West of England for Local Authority Collected Waste (mainly household waste) as well as other substantial waste streams such as from businesses across the sub-region. It includes a spatial strategy for the provision of residual waste treatment facilities. Two strategic sites are identified for residual waste treatment within B&NES: Broadmead Lane, Keynsham and Former Fuller's Earth Works, Odd Down in Bath. Smaller scale waste management sites can be identified in future DPDs as required.

<sup>52</sup> http://www.wrap.org.uk/

<sup>53</sup> http://ec.europa.eu/environment/waste/landfill index.htm

<sup>54</sup> http://www.defra.gov.uk/environment/waste/legislation/eu-framework-directive/

<sup>55</sup> http://www.defra.gov.uk/consult/files/annex1.pdf

<sup>56</sup> http://www.westofengland.org/media/202981/jwcs%20-%20full%20page%20v8.pdf

- 15.10 Local authorities are also responsible as Waste Collection and Disposal Authorities for delivering the collection service and treatment technology outcomes that best meet the need of the local people they serve. The Council adopted its Towards Zero Waste 2020 waste management strategy in 2005 and this is currently under review with a new action plan to be agreed.
- 15.11 Council waste assets in the district are significant and include 3 public recycling centres, collection depots and waste transfer sites, which deliver the wide-ranging and high-performing collection, recycling and disposal services that our residents are encouraged to participate in. These assets will need to be redeveloped or new facilities planned, in line with potential growth in population and households; to adapt to possible changes in waste legislation and to maximise efficiencies and cost savings.

### **Minerals**

- 15.12 Limestone is the principal commercial mineral worked in the area and is used predominantly for building and walling purposes. There are currently two active sites in the District at Upper Lawn Quarry at Combe Down in Bath and Hayes Wood mine near Limpley Stoke. Although there are known reserves, there is little likelihood of any former quarry or mine being reopened and worked during the plan period. Bath and North East Somerset will continue to rely on the import of minerals for general building construction. The transport of minerals is entirely by road and it is likely this will remain the case for the foreseeable future.
- 15.13 In terms of aggregates B&NES has never made any significant contribution to regional aggregates supply and because of the scale and nature of the mineral operations in the District and the geology of the area it is considered that this situation will continue for the plan period.
- 15.14 The Core Strategy confirms the Council's commitment to ensuring that mineral resources within the district continue to be safeguarded and sets out the strategic approach to minerals in the District. There is now an obligation on all Mineral Planning Authorities to define Minerals Safeguarding Areas to ensure mineral resources are not needlessly sterilised by non-mineral development. Detailed policies on managing minerals development, identifying sites and Minerals Safeguarding Areas will be developed through the Placemaking Plan as part of a review of existing minerals policies in the Local Plan.
- 15.15 Whilst it is not anticipated that there will be any significant changes to the current position regarding minerals during the plan period, and no additional infrastructure requirements have been identified, the situation will be reviewed should any new sites be identified through the Placemaking Plan.

## **INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENT**

Reference	Item	Status	Estimated Cost	Phasing			Policy Area
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	
DWI.2a	Residual and other waste treatment facilities	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
<u>DWI.2b</u>	Council/Public Waste & Recycling Facilities	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
<u>BI.3h</u>	Relocation of Midland Road civic waste facility	Key	£4,600,000	>	✓		Bath
<u>BI.13</u>	Former Fuller's Earth Works Residual Waste Treatment Site	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath
<u>KI.15</u>	Broadmead Lane Residual Waste Management Site	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keyns ham
<u>KI.19</u>	Relocation of waste transfer station to Pixash Lane	Key	£7,200,000	>	✓		Keyns ham

#### **NATIONAL**

Primary legislation	
Water Resources Act 199157	Water Industry Act 199158
Water Act 2003 <sup>59</sup>	Environment Act 199560
Draft Water Bill <sup>61</sup>	

- 16.1 Water is precious and essential for life. Rainfall provides the fresh water we rely on and soaks into the ground (groundwater) or flows into lakes and rivers. The Government wants to ensure that the water system continues to meet the needs of a growing UK population and remains resilient in the face of a changing climate which could cause problems for water availability. At the moment our seasonal rainfall is fairly reliable, but it is likely that hotter drier summers in the future will mean there will be less water in our rivers and ground waters, placing additional pressures on the environment and ecology. It is projected that by the 2050s, summer temperatures may increase and summer rainfall decrease. Short duration droughts (12-18 months) are likely to become more frequent. Meeting demand sustainably will therefore require continued investment and innovation from water companies, demand management and changes in the way water resources are managed.
- 16.2 Water is treated to a high standard before we use it in our homes and businesses, and is stored for when we need it so we get continuous supplies no matter what the time of year. Clean drinking water is then pumped through a complex system of pipes to get it to where we need it, and at a pressure we can use. Transferring water long distances is expensive and uses a great deal of energy which is one reason why there is no national grid for water like electricity.
- 16.3 Total demand for water in the South West currently stands at around 989 million litres per day (MI/d) and could increase to 1215 MI/d by 2050. Population growth will increase demand for housing and create additional pressure on water resources. This in turn may need additional infrastructure in order to treat and supply water.
- 16.4 Households use about half of total public water supply. The average person in the South West uses 150 litres per day. Defra have an aspiration for a reduction to 130 litres by 2030, with water stressed areas at or close to 120 litres through continuing innovation and near-universal metering.

<sup>57</sup> http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1991/57/contents

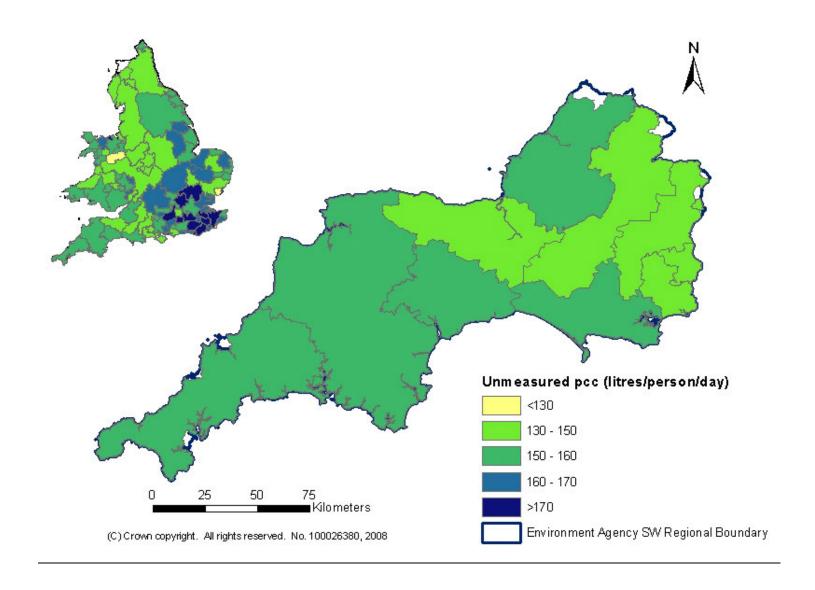
<sup>58</sup> http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1991/56/contents

<sup>59</sup> http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2003/37/contents

<sup>60</sup> http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1995/25/contents

<sup>61</sup> http://www.defra.gov.uk/environment/quality/water/legislation/water/

Figure 29: Current per capita consumption (Ofwat, June 2009)



- 16.5 The Environment Agency's *Water Resources Strategy for England and Wales*<sup>62</sup> sets out a number of aims and objectives to meet the vision of enough water for people and the environment. It has a planning horizon to 2050 and beyond and covers water resource elements such as drought management and ensuring security of supply. The Water Resource Strategy is supplemented by a number of regional action plans<sup>63</sup>. The key priorities for the south west are:
  - Ensure water supply and demand is resilient to the effects of climate change;
  - Reduce carbon emissions associated with the supply of water;
  - Manage catchments better to protect water resources, enhance biodiversity, reduce flood risk and reduce water treatment costs;
  - Improve the water efficiency of new housing and commercial developments.
- 16.6 The management of water supply is undertaken by a number of private sector water companies and regulated by **Ofwat** who focus on consumer value, balancing the future investment that water companies require and how much they can charge their customers. Ofwat's long term approach for regulating the water sector is set out in their 2010 strategy document **Delivering Sustainable Water**<sup>64</sup>. Their vision is a sustainable water cycle in which we are able to meet our needs for water services while enabling future generations to meet their own needs. The National Infrastructure Plan commits the Government to support Ofwat and the water industry by implementing a £22billion programme of investment over 2010-15, directed at balancing supply and demand and maintaining assets, improving environmental protections and delivering service improvements.
- 16.7 The **Draft Water Bill** was published on 10<sup>th</sup> July 2012 and includes measures to strengthen the water sector's ability to respond to the challenges of a growing population and less certain water supplies, and improve the deal it offers to its customers by offering more choice. These build upon the vision in the **Water White Paper.** This includes reforming the connection charges regime to help facilitate housing growth. The frequency of drought planning will change to a five year cycle so that it aligns with other water planning cycles.
- 16.8 Water companies set out their longer term aspirations in the form of a Strategic Direction Statement (SDS) that their business plan sits within. They are also required by the Water Industry Act (updated 2003) to produce **Water Resource Management Plans** (WRMP) which focuses on the "balance between supply and demand for water over the next 25 years". Local Authorities engage in the WRMP process during consultation of the WRMP Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA). Many of the aspirations from the Water Resource Strategy will be achieved via the WRMP.
- 16.9 Baseline projections for the WRMP are made based on current demand and supply levels with the aim that there will be no deficits in any of the 25 years that cannot be provided for, taking account of projected population growth. Should potential shortfalls be identified, water companies are required to set out options to correct this imbalance. In doing so, they are obliged to take account of a twin-track approach

<sup>62</sup> http://publications.environment-agency.gov.uk/PDF/GEHO0309BPKX-E-E.pdf

<sup>63</sup> http://publications.environment-agency.gov.uk/PDF/GEHO1209BRLB-E-E.pdf

<sup>64</sup> http://www.ofwat.gov.uk/aboutofwat/reports/forwardprogrammes/rpt\_fwd\_20100303ofwatstrategy.pdf

to water resource management that promotes water use efficiency as well as additional supply. One of the duties of the water companies is to provide water supply and sewage facilities to any development identified within adopted development plans.

- 16.10 The identification of any new infrastructure required is mapped out in the WRMP and 5 year business plans. As private businesses, the funding for strategic infrastructure and development of the system is through internal investment which is inevitably related to consumer prices. If water becomes a scarcer commodity, then there will be an uplift in the costs to water companies of developing new water resources that will be passed on to consumers through higher prices. For new developments the costs of the local infrastructure needed for connections is charged to the developer, nominally at cost. There is also an infrastructure levy charged for new connections, based upon the number of water-using appliances, this is typically about £250 per residential premises for potable water, but varies between water companies. The improvements in service and environmental performance by the water industry have required investment, reflecting the level of infrastructure in place prior to privatisation. Household bills have risen correspondingly by 45% in real terms nationally since privatisation, illustrating the challenge of balancing household affordability with other objectives.
- 16.11 The **Environment Agency** (EA) and the **Drinking Water Inspectorate** (DWI) enforce standards. The EA deals with abstraction licenses (a licence enabling the diversion of surface or ground water for a designated purpose) and the DWI carrying out technical audits of water companies in order to ensure they deliver safe drinking water in line with Water Quality Regulations. The Government announced in the **Natural Environment White Paper**<sup>65</sup> that it intended to reform the water abstraction regime to facilitate investment to meet water needs and protect water ecosystems to respond to these challenges.
- 16.12 The Water Framework Directive (WFD) requires improvements in the environmental quality of water bodies (all water bodies to achieve 'good status' by 2015), but allows for these improvements to be phased over three planning cycles ending in 2027. The EA is the Competent Authority under the WFD and coordinates activity to improve and maintain water quality, quantity and morphology (channel shape) through river basin management. The EA develop River Basin Management Plans which set out measures for achieving 'good' status of all waters, including groundwater, wetlands, rivers, canals, lakes, reservoirs, estuaries and coastal waters. The plans also promote efficient and sustainable water use. The EA believes that achieving good status in all water bodies by 2027 will not be possible using only current technologies. Even achieving 75% good status will require marked changes in land use and water infrastructure, such as a major programme to separate foul and surface water sewers across most of the river basin district. By current standards, such changes are extremely unlikely to be economically or socially acceptable. For some waters therefore, achieving good status by 2027 could be not technically feasible or disproportionately costly.

<sup>65</sup> http://www.official-documents.gov.uk/document/cm80/8082/8082.pdf

<sup>66</sup> http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/research/planning/33362.aspx

### LOCAL

### Companies operating within B&NES

Wessex Water (supplying Bath)

Bristol Water (supplying the rest of B&NES)

- 16.13 **Bristol Water** is a regulated 'water only supply company' and provide drinking water to over 1.1m people over an area of 2,400sqkm. They serve the majority of B&NES with the exception of the city of Bath and its immediate surroundings, which are served by **Wessex Water**.
- 16.14 Wessex Water has an approved **Water Resources Management Plan**<sup>67</sup> for future growth. Future demand can be met from existing resources and there are contingency plans in place of drought measures. No new abstraction licenses are required.
- 16.15 The 2009 **Bristol Water Resource Management Plan**<sup>68</sup> takes account of forecast growth to plan water supply for the next 25 years, having regard to the impacts of climate change and opportunities to increase water efficiency. Leakage reduction and metering are major elements of the strategy.
- 16.16 The next Water Resource Management Plan<sup>69</sup> by Bristol Water considers the period 2015-2040 and was consulted on in Spring/Summer 2013. B&NES is part of the **Bristol Water Local Engagement Forum** (LEF), known formally as the Independent Customer Challenge Group for Bristol Water's business plan submission to Ofwat. Membership includes the Consumer Council for Water, the Drinking Water Inspectorate, Environment Agency and Natural England.
- 16.17 Initial projections suggest that in the future the demand for water will increase, while the water available from existing sources may actually decrease, resulting in demand for water outstripping the capacity of existing resources. At the end of 2010, Bristol Water had a surplus of water available of just under 40 MI/d. Over the next ten years, they project that this surplus will diminish as populations and businesses grow.
- 16.18 If Bristol Water makes no provision to adapt to the increasing population, there will be a shortfall in water supply across their supply area of up to 13MI/d. In their Water Resource Management Plan Bristol Water have identified actions that will ensure sufficient supplies of water across B&NES in the future. These actions are likely to include the following:
  - Development of new resources, including the possible extension of Cheddar reservoir ('Cheddar 2');
  - Reductions in network leakage;
  - Increased metering of household customers;
  - Developing bulk supplies;
  - Helping business or household customers to use water more efficiently.

<sup>67</sup> http://www.wessexwater.co.uk/water-and-sewerage/threecol.aspx?id=578

<sup>68</sup> http://www.bristolwater.co.uk/environment/wrp.asp

<sup>69</sup> http://www.bristolwater.co.uk/environment/water-resource-plan/2014-water-resource-plan/

- 16.19 Bristol Water will confirm their capital investment programme in their PR14 (2015-20) Business Plan which will be published in December 2013.
- 16.20 Bristol Water have confirmed that there is no requirement for new strategic infrastructure such as new water resources or impounding reservoirs within B&NES as a consequence of the growth planned for in the Core Strategy. Any local infrastructure requirements such as distribution mains or trunk mains will be considered as specific requests for supply received by Bristol Water's Development Services Team.

## Figure 30: Bristol Water supply area (Bristol Water)

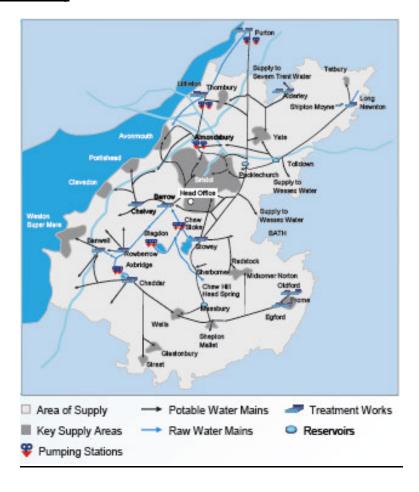
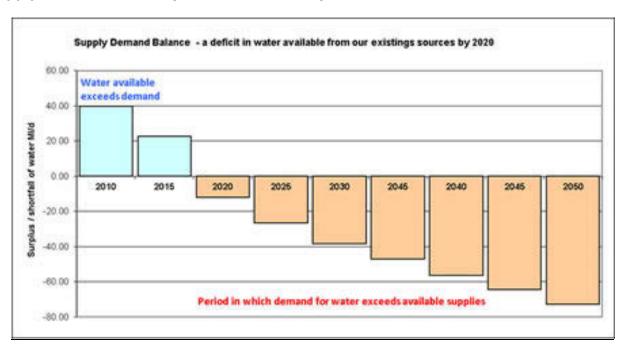


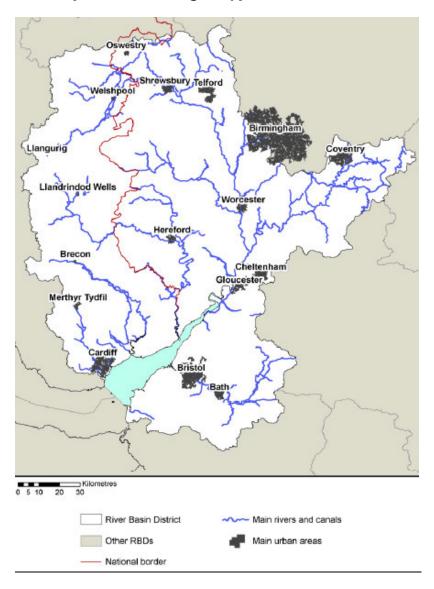
Figure 31: Bristol Water Supply Demand Balance (Source: Bristol Water)



16.21 B&NES is located within the Severn River Basin District, which covers 21,90sqkm and is home to 5.3 million people. The Environment Agency has produced a **Severn River Basin Management Plan**<sup>70</sup> which focuses on the protection, improvement and sustainable use of the water environment which has been prepared under the Water Framework Directive.

<sup>70</sup> http://publications.environment-agency.gov.uk/PDF/GEMI0910BSSK-E-E.pdf

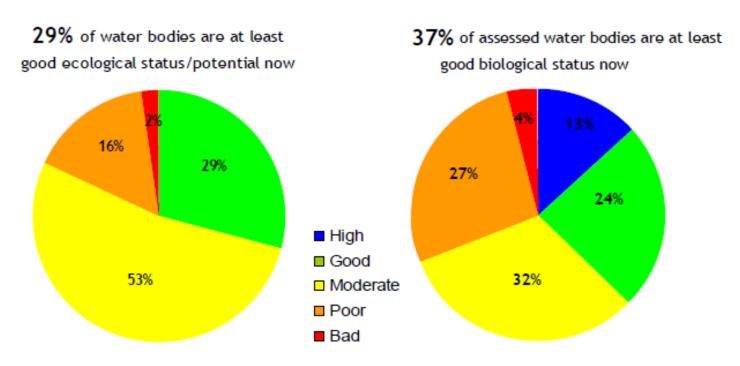
Figure 32: Map of Severn River Basin District (Environment Agency)



16.22 The key issues identified in the River Basin Management Plan include:

- Diffuse pollution from agriculture and other rural activities;
- Point source pollution from water industry sewage works;
- Physical modification of water bodies; and
- Diffuse pollution from urban sources.

Figure 33: Ecological Status/Potential and Biological Status of Surface Water Bodies Now (Environment Agency)



<sup>16.23</sup> For groundwater bodies, currently 75% are at good status, and 78% are at good chemical status. Many of the key pressures on water bodies are complex and occur in combination. For many water bodies either the reasons for failure are unknown, or it is uncertain whether there is a

failure or whether pressures really are causing an impact. For groundwater quality, the main reasons for poor quantitative status in groundwater is that abstraction levels, mainly for drinking water, exceed the weight at which aquifers recharge.

16.24 B&NES lies within the Bristol Avon and North Somerset Streams catchment area. The major discharges in this catchment are from sewage treatment works and these can lead to signs of nutrient enhancement at times of low flows.

### Figure 34: Bristol Avon and North Somerset Streams Key Statistics (EA)

River and lake water bodies	Now	2015
% at good ecological status or potential	22%	27%
% assessed at good or high biological status	30%	35%
% assessed at good chemical status	40%	60%
% at good status overall (chemical and ecological)	22%	27%
% improving for one or more element in rivers		30%

- 16.25 The Environment Agency manages resources through a **Catchment Abstraction Management Plan** (CAMS) for the River Avon<sup>71</sup>. This calculates the amount of water available in the CAMS area by dividing the catchment into 10 management units (WRMUs) and giving each unit a water resource assessment status. This proposed water status gives an indication of the likelihood of anyone obtaining a water abstraction licence in each management unit and how strict the conditions might be. The plan indicates that within B&NES, the River Avon WRMU and Chew Valley WRMU remain classed as 'no water available'. New licences for surface and groundwater abstraction are likely to be issued, but may have conditions limiting or stopping abstraction when river flow is very low. Bathford Groundwater WRMU, which is partially within B&NES, remains classed as 'over licensed'. New licences for groundwater abstraction maybe issued, but may have conditions limiting or stopping abstraction during low surface water flows.
- 16.26 The agricultural sector has a big role in looking after and improving the quality of the rural environment. About 80% of the land in the Severn River Basin District is managed for agriculture and forestry. The EA is encouraging farmers and industry across the River Basin District to build storage reservoirs to support or replace summer irrigation.

<sup>71</sup> http://publications.environment-agency.gov.uk/PDF/GESW1004BIJV-E-E,pdf

Figure 35: Map of the Catchments in the Severn River Basin District (EA)

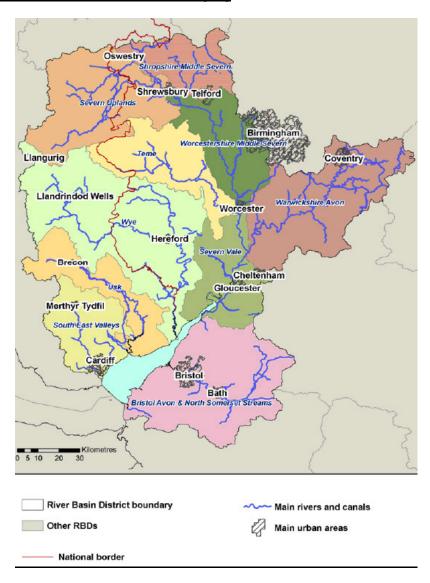
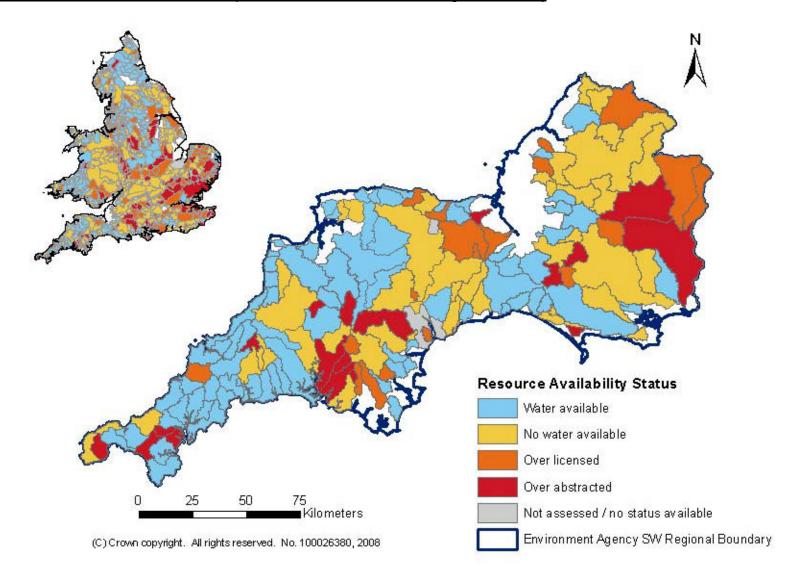


Figure 36: Water Available for Abstraction (surface water combined with groundwater)



## **INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENT**

• Engineering appraisal will be required for major sites to confirm the scope and extent of improvements to the existing infrastructure. Ongoing consultation with Wessex Water & Bristol Water will be maintained to ensure infrastructure capacity improvements are planned to match the rate of development.

Reference	Item	Status	Estimated Cost	Phasing		Phasing		Policy Area
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26		
DWI.7	District Wide Water Supply	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide	

## **NATIONAL**

**Primary legislation** 

Water Act 1989<sup>72</sup>

Water Industry Act 199173

Companies operating within B&NES

Wessex Water

- 17.1 Waste water, commonly referred to as sewage, is generally a mixture of domestic waste water from baths, sinks, washing machines and toilets, waste water from industry and rainwater run-off from roads and other surfaced areas. Wastewater flows into a vast network of sewers. It is then pumped away to be treated before it is returned to the environment. This can be a complex and energy-intensive process that emits a lot of greenhouse gases. The water remaining after treatment is safe to put back into the environment where it evaporates to form rain clouds the water cycle then begins again as the subsequent rain eventually forms part of our potable water supply.
- 17.2 Sewage is treated by two different processes as standard. Primary treatment involves settling out much of the solid matter, followed by secondary treatment which uses bacteria that 'digest' and break down organic substances. Sometimes, further (tertiary) treatment is required to protect sensitive water environments. This can involve disinfecting the treated effluent to protect bathing or shellfish waters. It can also involve the removal of phosphorus or nitrates (nutrients present in sewage) to protect sensitive waters. Without suitable treatment, the waste water produced every day would damage the water environment and create problems for public health, water resources and wildlife, all of which would then seriously impact economic and social wellbeing.
- 17.3 The Government is taking measures to reduce the demand for new waste water infrastructure, for example by requiring the use of sustainable drainage systems (SUDS) to reduce run-off in the built environment and exploring land management approaches that use natural systems to slow the flow of surface water in rural areas. However, there will still be a need for new waste water infrastructure to complement these approaches and ensure that the natural and man-made systems are able to function effectively together to deliver a wide range of ecosystem services and other benefits to society. Demand for new and improved waste water infrastructure is likely to increase in response to the following main drivers:
  - More stringent statutory requirements to protect the environment and water quality;
  - Population growth and urbanisation;
  - Replacement or improvement of infrastructure;
  - Adaptation to climate change.

<sup>72</sup> http://www.leaislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1989/15/contents

<sup>73</sup> http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1991/56/contents

- 17.4 The Government's key policy objectives are therefore:
  - **Sustainable development**: to seek waste water infrastructure that allows us to live within environmental limits and that helps ensure a strong, healthy and just society, having regard to environmental, social and economic considerations;
  - **Public health and environmental improvement**: to continue to meet our obligations under the **Urban Waste Water Treatment Directive** (91/271/EEC)<sup>74</sup> by providing suitable collection and treatment systems to limit pollution of the environment;
  - To improve water quality in the natural environment and meet our obligations under related European Directives, such as the *Habitats Directive*<sup>75</sup>, the *Water Framework Directive* and its Daughter Directives;
  - **To reduce water consumption** by households and industry which will have the knock-on effect of reducing waste water production and therefore demand for waste water treatment infrastructure;
  - To reduce demand for waste water infrastructure capacity by diverting surface water drainage away from the sewer system by using SUDS
  - Climate change mitigation and adaptation: in line with the objectives of Defra's mitigation and adaptation plans to help deliver the UK's obligation to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 80% by 2050 and to ensure that climate change adaptation is adequately included in waste water infrastructure planning; and
  - **Waste Hierarchy**: to apply the waste hierarchy in terms of seeking to first reduce waste water production, to seek opportunities to reuse and recycle resources and to recover energy and raw materials where possible.
- 17.5 **Ofwat** is the economic regulator tasked with providing best value to consumers and maintaining competitiveness of pricing between the 'regional monopolies' served by each wastewater company. The financing of sewers and treatment plants required to keep discharge quality within set standards falls to industry and the utilities companies. Wastewater companies are required to produce five year business plans/asset management plans (AMPs) setting out investment and charging over that period, which is subject to scrutiny by Ofwat and the Environment Agency. One important difference when comparing the regulatory framework for water supply and wastewater treatment is that there is no equivalent document to the Water Resource Management Plan for which waste water companies would have to look at a 25 year plan period. The EA will determine when projects are needed to meet statutory environmental requirements by assessing for example which discharges from the sewerage system need to be improved. The EA will then propose projects for inclusion in the **National Environment Programme**<sup>76</sup> (NEP). The NEP is included within a sewerage company's business plan, and it is for the company to demonstrate that their proposals are the best solution to meeting the established need.
- 17.6 As private businesses, the funding for strategic infrastructure and development of the system is through internal investment which is inevitably related to consumer prices. If sewerage volume increases then there will be an uplift in the costs to wastewater companies of developing new treatment works and increasing sewer capacity that will be passed on to consumers through higher prices.

<sup>74</sup> http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=CELEX:31991L0271:EN:NOT

<sup>75</sup> http://ec.europa.eu/environment/nature/leaislation/habitatsdirective/index en.htm

<sup>76</sup> http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/business/sectors/33071.aspx

- 17.7 Most new developments separate foul waste water from surface water drainage. Where possible, the surface water drainage can be discharged to a nearby water course without treatment but, in other cases, it often drains into a combined sewer system further down the sewerage catchment, and therefore passes to the waste water treatment works. At present combined sewer systems comprise some 40% of the total network and are designed with limited capacity for peak surface water flows, the excess flow discharging untreated via combined sewer systems to adjacent watercourses. Studies into the feasibility of retrospectively separating foul and surface water sewerage usually find it to be uneconomical and impractical. Climate change will exert greater pressure on public sewer systems (the heavier the rain, the greater the flow the sewer has to carry).
- 17.8 The **National Policy Statement for Waste Water**<sup>77</sup> (NPS) sets out Government Policy for the provision of major waste water infrastructure, which would be used by the **Planning Inspectorate** to decide development consent applications for Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects (NSIPS). The NPS covers:
  - Construction of waste water treatment plants with a capacity exceeding a population equivalent of 500,000 when constructed; or
  - Alterations to waste water treatment plants where the effect of the alteration is expected to be to increase by more than a population equivalent of 500,000 the capacity of the plant.
- 17.9 In general, a de-centralised approach to waste water treatment is most appropriate for smaller, dispersed rural communities, particularly those at the upper ends of river catchments, where the costs of pumping waste water long distances to large centralised works outweigh the potential economies of scale at the works. For urban areas, and in particular for large cities of the scale that might generate a project meeting the thresholds for consideration as an NSIP, it will remain more cost effective to centralise treatment to a single large treatment works. Generally, it will be necessary to transfer waste water to a suitable location for a treatment works and effluent discharge, outside of urban centres.

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17.10 **Wessex Water** provides the sewerage service for B&NES, taking sewerage from properties through a network of piping to pumping stations and sewage treatment plants within the district. The largest plant is in Saltford, which takes sewerage from Bath and there are smaller works in the Norton Radstock area. Physical assets in the district include pumping stations, treatment plants and the sewer network. The Bath pumping station is located in the Western Riverside area and pumps sewerage to Saltford. Wessex Water produces an **asset management plan**<sup>78</sup> (the 'business plan'), agreed with the regulator Ofwat, that reflects the funding necessary to operate the business and to undertake new investment every 5 years.

<sup>77</sup> http://www.defra.gov.uk/publications/files/pb13709-waste-water-nps.pdf

<sup>78</sup> http://www.wessexwater.co.uk/about/threecol.aspx?id=2984

- 17.11 Engineering appraisal will be required for major development sites within B&NES to confirm the scope and extent of improvements to the existing infrastructure. On-going consultation with Wessex Water will be maintained to ensure infrastructure capacity improvements are planned to match the rate of development. Delivery methods will include the inclusion of conditions or entering into planning agreements to ensure that proper provision is made for sewerage, both on and off site. These may cover points of connection to the existing sewerage system, provision of extra capacity in the system and the phasing of the development.
- 17.12 In general terms Wessex Water protects their existing assets by requiring:
  - No tree planting within 6 metres of any public sewer or water main;
  - No building, generally within 3 metres (depending upon depth and diameter of the pipework) of any public sewer or water main. Wessex Water may consider a diversion under Section 185 of the Water Industry Act 1991;
  - 24 hour access required to any on-site public sewers or water mains for the purposes of maintenance and repair.
- 17.13 Improvements to the sewerage capacity are needed to facilitate any substantial green field development around Keynsham. This includes off-site sewerage improvements needed to accommodate development beyond about 500 houses as there is insufficient local capacity. There is a planned upgrade of Keynsham treatment plant to increase treatment capacity by Wessex Water. Land is available to the north of the current works which was identified during the development of the Waste Core Strategy.
- 17.14 Off-site sewerage improvements are needed at Midsomer Norton and Radstock before any significant residential development occurs.

  Engineering appraisal will be required to confirm network capacity for preferred sites and site specific requirements. Minor improvements will accommodate new development sites of less than 25 dwellings. Planned improvements to Radstock Sewage treatment works will be required beyond 2015 to accommodate increasing foul flows.

### **INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENT**

Reference	Item	Status	<b>Estimated Cost</b>	Phasing		Policy Area	
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	
<u>DWI.8</u>	Waste Water	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
<u>Bl.41e</u>	Sewage infrastructure requirements at Odd Down Urban Extension	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath
MNRI.9	Improvement to off-site sewerage & to Radstock Sewage treatment works	Desirable	c.£1,000,000	>	>	>	Somer Valley
<u>KI.3</u>	Improvements to Sewerage Capacity at Keynsham	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham
<u>KI.20e</u>	Sewage infrastructure requirements at East of Keynsham Urban Extension	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham

<u>KI.21e</u>	Sewage infrastructure requirements at South of Keynsham Urban Extension	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham
<u>RI.14d</u>	Sewage infrastructure requirements at Whitchurch Urban Extension	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Rural Areas

## **WATER & DRAINAGE: FLOOD RISK & DRAINAGE**

### **NATIONAL**

- 18.1 Flood protection is a national priority and features on the National Risk Register of Civil Emergencies. The overall aim of the Government's **Flood** and Coastal Erosion Risk Management Strategy for England<sup>79</sup> is to ensure the risk of flooding is properly managed by using the full range of options in a coordinated way. Around 5.2 million properties in England, or one in six properties, are at risk of flooding. Flood risk management avoids the loss of productive hours from environmental shocks and climate change, both in terms of direct economic losses as well as consequential impacts on transport, energy and communications infrastructure, and interruption of wider public services. It can also open up land for productive economic activity. Flood risk will need to adapt to climate change as it is predicted that the frequency and severity of rainstorms will progressively increase, and as a consequence the risk of flooding will increase.
- 18.2 The **Department for Environment Food and Rural Affairs (Defra)** has national policy responsibility for flood and coastal erosion risk management. Defra does not build or manage flood defences. Instead, Government provides funding through grants to the **Environment Agency** (EA) and local authorities. The EA also administers grants for capital projects to local authorities and Internal Drainage Boards. The National Infrastructure Plan states that the Government will spend over £2billion over the Spending Review period through the EA in England managing flood and coastal risks, including the construction of new and improved defences, and the risk-based maintenance of existing asset systems.
- 18.3 There is a separate planning process for flood and coastal erosion risk management introduced by the new *European Floods Directive* (Directive 2007/60/EC<sup>80</sup> on the assessment and management of flood risks). This Directive now requires Member States to assess if all water courses and coast lines are at risk from flooding, to map the flood extent and assets and humans at risk in these areas and to take adequate and coordinated measures to reduce this flood risk. Implementation of the Floods Directive in England and Wales will be co-ordinated with the *Water Framework Directive*.
- 18.4 Catchment Flood Management Plans (prepared by the Environment Agency) set out long term policies (50-100 years) for flood risk management. They represent the first 'tier' in the strategic flood risk management process, providing the overall framework within which more detailed assessments, such as the B&NES SFRA are undertaken. They consider all types of inland flooding, from rivers, ground water, surface water and tidal flooding. They also take into account the likely impacts of climate change, the effects of how we use and manage the land, and how areas could be developed to meet our present day needs without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. The delivery of the policies from these long term plans will help to achieve the objectives of this and subsequent River Basin Management Plans. The Environment Agency plans its flood and coastal risk management capital investment through the 'Medium Term Plan', which is a rolling five-year investment plan.
- 18.5 The way that funding from Defra is allocated to flood and coastal erosion risk management projects in England has changed<sup>81</sup>, allowing more schemes to go ahead and giving each community more of a say in what is done to protect them. Instead of meeting the full costs of just a

<sup>79</sup> http://www.official-documents.gov.uk/document/other/9780108510366/9780108510366.pdf

<sup>80</sup> http://ec.europa.eu/environment/water/flood\_risk/index.htm

<sup>81</sup> http://archive.defra.gov.uk/environment/flooding/funding/documents/flood-coastal-resilience-intro-quide.pdf

limited number of projects, the new approach will make Government money available towards any worthwhile scheme over time. Funding levels for each scheme will relate directly to the number of households protected, the damages being prevented, plus the other benefits a scheme would deliver. For the first time, grants for surface water management and property-level protection will be available alongside funding for other risks and approaches. Many projects will still be fully funded under this approach, and those already under construction are not affected.

- 18.6 Defra expects to spend at least £2.17 billion on flooding and coastal erosion over the next four years (consisting of £1.04 billion capital funding and £1.13 billion 'programme' spend such as maintenance). On top of the £2.17 billion from Defra, local authorities nationwide will be spending money supported by formula grant from the Department for Communities and Local Government. This is expected to be around £100 million in 2010/11.
- 18.7 Reservoir safety in England and Wales is governed by the Reservoirs Act 1975. It requires that all large raised reservoirs are registered with the Environment Agency, and places a series of safety obligations on reservoir undertakers (that is owners, operators or users). There has been no loss of life from reservoir failure in the UK since reservoir safety legislation was introduced in 1930. Only high risk large raised reservoirs will be subject to the full requirements of the Reservoirs Act in the future.

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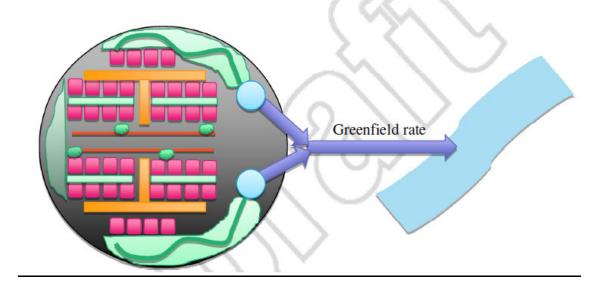
- 18.8 Most of B&NES falls within the boundaries of the **Bristol Avon Catchment Flood Management Plan**<sup>82</sup> (CFMP). A small area on the western side of the district falls within the North and Mid Somerset CFMP. Most of B&NES is classed as 'Mendip Slopes', with a preferred policy of 'sustain the current level of flood risk', and Lower Avon Rural, with a preferred policy of 'continue with existing or alternative actions'. Bath, Bristol and Chew Magna all have a further action to 'take further action to reduce risk'.
- 18.9 The Environment Agency has a maintenance programme for their assets and seeks to ensure the existing standard of protection offered by defences in the B&NES area is maintained. Given limited public funding available any new flood defence schemes are required to be subject to appraisal to ensure they are socially and environmentally sustainable, technically feasible and economically justified.
- 18.10 For any new flood defence scheme funded by DEFRA grant-in-aid, the appraisal includes assessing the number of properties that would benefit. This is part of the process to determine whether a scheme is economically justified. Developers cannot normally call on public resources to provide defences and other measures for their proposed development where they are not already programmed for the protection of existing development. The delivery of new or improved defences required to make new development safe would therefore normally be expected to be funded by the development.

<sup>82</sup> http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/static/documents/Leisure/ CFMP Bristol Avon 2012.pdf

- 18.11 The Environment Agency have allocated funding for the **Weston Catchment Flood Alleviation Scheme** which will involve survey and repair work in the northern part of Weston, where there are a number of old watercourses, sinks and springs. This will provide around 285 existing houses at Weston with improved protection from surface water flooding. They have also allocated funding for the **Coombend Culvert and Stream Improvements** to protect from river flooding in Clandown.
- 18.12 B&NES Council is a lead Local Flood Authority (LLFA) and is working together in partnership with others to develop a Local Flood Risk Management Strategy, as required under the Flood and Water Management Act 2010. The Council will also become a Sustainable Urban Drainage Approval Body (SAB) in 2013. Formal drainage approval will be required for all development. The automatic right to connect surface water runoff from developments to a public sewer has been removed and will be contingent on approval from the SAB. Proposed drainage systems must comply with National Standards prior to approval. The use of SUDS can reduce the demand on infrastructure capacity by providing an alternative to piped systems. SUDS mimic natural drainage processes to reduce the volume and rate of surface water run-off; increase water quality; and improve public amenity. The Government's policy is to encourage the use of SUDS wherever possible.
- 18.13 The preferred and most cost-effective approach to managing surface water on development sites is to use a variety of SUDs incorporated into the landscape and pavements masterplans. This approach sets a priority on 'source control' (reducing the runoff at the source where the rain falls). This can be achieved by incorporating permeable surfaces into the design such as green roofs or permeable paving. Secondly any excess flow during intense storms may be controlled and attenuated in a secondary system such as a retention pond or cellular storage.

Figure X: Possible Combination of SUDS for a 1ha development site (Arup 2013)

		Approx Quantity/ ha
	Permeable Paving	1000 m <sup>2</sup> , (180 m <sup>3</sup> storage)
	Kerb Drainage	150 m along main road edge
-	Planters	4 No. in main road
	Retention Pond	300 m <sup>2</sup> (120 m <sup>3</sup> storage)
	Swale	200 m, (75 m <sup>3</sup> storage)
	Grass/ Landscaped Areas/ Gardens	Assume 25% grass/ landscaped area (2500 m <sup>2</sup> )



18.14 The B&NES *Strategic Flood Risk Assessment*<sup>83</sup> creates a strategic framework for making planning decisions and gives a baseline assessment of flood risk for existing conditions. It identifies flood zones, actual flood risk, residual flood risk and an assessment of breach of tidal and river defences or other features which may act as a defence. The SFRA does not eliminate the need for more detailed flood risk assessments (FRAs) of individual proposed development sites. Rather the SFRA will provide additional information for these FRAs to draw upon and identify more detailed issues associated with flood hazards and flood consequences.

#### **Bath**

- 18.15 The 1960s Bath Flood Defence Scheme was designed to pass flood flows as efficiently as possible through the city, achieved by providing a large capacity 'canalised' channel, which effectively acts as a flume to convey a significant volume of flow. The intention was for the channel to be 'self-cleansing'. This means that any silt that settled within the channel would be remobilised naturally by higher flows. This appears to have been largely successful. The Environment Agency has had a programme of surveying the bed levels of the channel of this area and has seen little change over many years suggesting that there has been no significant change at all in the standard of protection delivered by this scheme.
- 18.16 When the Avon exceeds its bank-full capacity, water will flow onto its floodplain and return to the river where topography and river levels allow. Ground raising within development sites within Bath City Centre and the Riverside Corridor will reduce the extent to which water could flow along the floodplain to add to the total volume conveyed through Bath during extreme floods. Since the Inspector produced ID/28, further detailed work has been undertaken by Black and Veatch (including a hydrological study)which confirms that the impact of raising the development sites is a loss of conveyance, rather than a loss of flood storage (which was what the *Flood Risk Management Strategy* by Atkins had previously concluded). Based on the findings of this study, a compensatory flow conveyance scheme has been developed and agreed in principle with the Environment Agency. The scheme can be delivered in a number of phases as development sites come forward. It is proposed to submit a planning application for the first phase scheme in the current year with a view to completing the works in 2014/15. This work, which will enable the key employment sites in the EA to come forward, will be funded by part of the RIF infrastructure funding awarded to B&NES by the LEP. Onsite defences combined with the conveyance mitigation scheme ensures that new development will be safe without increasing risk elsewhere, passing the Exception Test.

<sup>83</sup> http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/sites/default/files/sitedocuments/Planning-and-Building-Control/Planning-Policy/Evidence-Base/Flood-Risk/SFRABNESExecutiveSummary.pdf

<sup>84</sup> http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/sites/default/files/sitedocuments/Planning-and-Building-Control/Planning-Policy/Evidence-Base/Flood-Risk/FRMSReport.pdf

## **INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENT**

Reference	ltem	Status	Estimated Cost		Phasing		Policy Area
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	
<u>DWI.39</u>	Flood Risk and Drainage	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
<u>BI.2</u>	Improvements to Flood Defences of Bath City Centre and Riverside Corridor	Key	£5,100,000	>	✓		Bath
<u>BI.3c</u>	Floodplain storage compensation works at Bath Western Riverside	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath
<u>BI.40</u>	Weston Catchment Flood Alleviation Scheme	Key	£1,900,000	>	>	>	Bath
<u>BI.48</u>	Pulteney Weir / Decommissioning of Radial Gate	Key	£5,700,000	>	✓		Bath
<u>MNRI.30</u>	Coombend Culvert and Stream Improvements	Desirable	£2,100,000	✓			Somer Valley
<u>KI.2</u>	Flood Protection Measures for Somerdale site	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham
<u>KI.20d</u>	Water Drainage at East of Keynsham Urban Extension	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham
<u>KI.21d</u>	Pluvial/Surface Water Flood mitigation at South of Keynsham Urban Extension	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham

#### **NATIONAL**

**Primary legislation** 

Railways Act 199385

Railways Act 200586

- 19.1 Most main line passenger rail services are procured by central government under the Railways Act 1993. They are provided by rail operating companies who are contracted to provide them through franchise agreements made with the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State is the sole rail franchise authority and is empowered to let these contracts. The funding that the Government provides to the rail industry is directed either to support franchised passenger service operators or as a direct grant to Network Rail.
- 19.2 **Network Rail** is a statutory undertaker responsible for maintaining and operating the country's railway infrastructure and associated estate. Network Rail owns, operates, maintains and develops the main rail network, including tracks, stations, signalling systems, bridges, tunnels, level crossings and viaducts.
- 19.3 The Secretary of State for Transport announced<sup>87</sup> on 15th November 2011 the intention to develop a strategy to deliver a better value railway for the benefit of passengers, taxpayers and the wider economy as our railways are currently the most expensive in Europe. *The McNulty Report*<sup>88</sup> found scope to cut rail costs by up to 30%. In furtherance of that report DfT published its *Command Paper "Reforming Our Railways: Putting the Customer First"*<sup>89</sup>. The objectives of this paper are to deal with the fiscal deficit and achieving greater efficiency; secure better value for the passenger; support economic growth through continued taxpayer investment in both services and infrastructure; and contribute to a reduction in carbon emissions through electrification and smarter design of rolling stock and infrastructure.
- 19.4 The Government has set out in more detail how these objectives can be achieved and funded in the *High Level Output Specification* (HLOS) and *Statement of Funds Available* (SOFA) for *Control Period 5*% (CP5 2014 to 2019). The HLOS specifies the outputs that the Government wishes the industry to achieve which are then incorporated into delivery plans by the industry, under the oversight of the *Office of Rail Regulation* (ORR). The first HLOS was published in 2007 for CP4 which runs from April 2009 to March 2014.
- 19.5 The Government's strategy for CP5 is built around a rolling programme of electrification in order to efficiently meet forecast demand growth, support economic growth and better environmental outcomes. The strategy is built around four priorities:

<sup>85</sup> http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1993/43/contents

<sup>86</sup> http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2005/14/contents

<sup>87</sup> http://www.dft.gov.uk/news/statements/greening-20111115

<sup>88</sup> http://assets.dff.gov.uk/publications/report-of-the-rail-vfm-study/realising-the-potential-of-gb-rail-summary.pdf

<sup>89</sup> http://assets.dft.gov.uk/publications/reforming-our-railways/reforming-our-railways.pdf

<sup>90</sup> http://www.dft.gov.uk/publications/hlos-2012/

- creation of a high capacity passenger and freight electric corridor linking the core centres of population and economic activity in the Midlands and the north to the major container port of Southampton;
- increase capacity and accelerate journey times between the core cities, investing in faster trains (Intercity Express Programme) and route improvements;
- facilitate commuter travel into major urban areas, helping to expand the effective labour market, and helping people to access a wider range of jobs; and
- improve railway links to major ports and airports.
- 19.6 Under the most probable scenarios explored in **Network Rail's Route Utilisation Strategies** (RUS), inter-city passenger demand (which has grown strongly over the last 10–15 years) is likely nearly to double over the next 30 years. Although making more efficient use of existing railway infrastructure could accommodate some of this growth, it is likely that substantial increases in infrastructure capacity on inter-urban routes will be needed in the long term.
- 19.7 DfT published **Rail Decentralisation**<sup>91</sup> (March 2012) which explores how the Government might devolve more responsibility and budgets for rail passenger services to local bodies. DfT are proposing to retain responsibility in the areas of: safety; security; accessibility; performance on the strategic rail network; national ticketing policy/strategy; and connectivity enhancements benefitting primarily strategic rail services. The DfT are prepared to listen to the case for devolution of: service specification; capacity rolling stock; capacity infrastructure (from CP6 onwards); connectivity enhancements benefitting devolved services; new stations and lines; local fares policy; local ticketing; setting performance targets for devolved services; and station enhancements such as Access for All. The DfT will publish its conclusions from the consultation in September 2012.
- 19.8 **Devolving Local Major Transport Schemes** (DfT, January 2012) proposed that Local Transport Bodies would be responsible for establishing a programme of major schemes and for overseeing and monitoring delivery. Delivery would be delegated to individual Local Authorities or other delivery agents such as Network Rail. A formulaic approach to funding allocations is proposed, with per capita favoured to create an even distribution. DfT have stated that the Local Transport Body should priorities schemes on a clear basis agreed locally, which should be well evidenced, robust and transparent. These proposals were confirmed in September 2012<sup>93</sup>. The **Bristol City Region Deal** confirmed that the necessary powers would be devolved to the West of England alongside investment in major transport schemes and the Greater Bristol Metro in the Transport Devolution Agreement.

<sup>91</sup> http://assets.dft.gov.uk/consultations/dft-2012-10/main-document.pdf

<sup>92</sup> http://www.dft.gov.uk/consultations/dft-2012-04

<sup>93</sup> http://www.dft.gov.uk/news/statements/baker-20120918a/

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19.9 There are presently four stations within B&NES, at Bath Spa, Oldfield Park, Keynsham and Freshford which are located on the Great Western main line. Bath benefits from good rail (time) connections to Bristol and London, although peak time rail services are running at capacity and there is still only an hourly rail link between Keynsham and Bristol for most parts of the day. Previous studies such as the Strategic Avon Rail Study have revealed that it would be possible to increase the capacity of the Great Western main line substantially.

Figure 37: Train Stations within B&NES

Station	09/10 entries and exits	09/10 interchanges	Secure Station accreditation	Accessible toilets	Seating and catering	Public address	Customer information screens
Bath Spa	4,779,480	114,725	Yes	RADAR operated accessible toilet on both platforms	Waiting room. Catering available.	Yes – both platforms	Yes – Ticket office and platforms
Freshford	30,796	0	Yes	No toilets	Shelter	No	Web CIS
Keynsham	249,842	0	Yes	No toilets	Shelter	No	No
Oldfield Park	216,750	0	Yes	No accessible toilets available	Shelter	No	No

19.10 Network Rail's recommendations for the longer term upgrade strategy are set out in detail in the **Great Western Route Utilisation Strategy**<sup>94</sup> (March 2010), which covers the 10-year period from 2009 to 2019. The RUS provides recommendations for the development and delivery of train service changes, and infrastructure maintenance, renewals and enhancements. The DfT published the HLOS for CP5 in July 2012 to make clear the outputs required from the rail industry. This states that the Secretary of State wishes the industry to undertake work to expand the capacity of the railway serving passengers to and from Bristol including increasing route capacity into Bristol from Filton Abbey Wood (**Four-Track**) and increasing station capacity at Bristol Temple Meads. Four-track involves building two new tracks (to sit beside the existing two tracks) between Dr Days Junction and Filton Abbey Wood in Bristol. The two new tracks will provide additional capacity that can be used for expected growth in freight, local and long distance passenger services. One pair of lines will predominantly be used for fast long distance services, and the other pair for local stoppers. This work is essential for the Greater Bristol Metro Project. Funding for the scheme is to be confirmed in June 2013 by the Office of Rail Regulation.

<sup>94</sup> http://www.networkrail.co.uk/browse%20documents/rus%20documents/route%20utilisation%20strategies/great%20western/great%20western%20rus.pdf

- 19.11 CP5 also confirms *Electrification of the Great Western Main Line* between Swansea, Bristol and Didcot, providing an electrified mainline from Swansea to London Paddington, which will benefit stations within B&NES. This multi-billion pound project will significantly enhance intercity rail travel, offering increased capacity and reducing journey times for passengers between London and Cardiff by up to 20 minutes.
- 19.12 Replacement of the current "Intercity 125" high speed diesel fleet with new, higher capacity, more environmentally friendly trains has also been confirmed (the *Intercity Express Programme*). Rolling stock financing is now complete for the Great Western element of IEP, and the project is on schedule. Electrification and the IEP are both identified in the top 40 priority infrastructure investments in the National Infrastructure Plan.
- 19.13 The Great Western franchise is currently operated by FirstGroup which it operates as *First Great Western*. In recent years passenger numbers in the franchise area have increased. Growth has been particularly strong on the Thames Valley corridor between Reading and London Paddington, but increasing demand has also occurred in and around Bristol and Exeter.
- 19.14 The new Great Western franchise was due to commence in July 2013, but following the review of the flawed West Coast rail franchise competition in 2012, the Secretary of State for Transport terminated the Great Western franchise competition in January 2013. This was to allow for a more fundamental review of the franchise proposition. The new franchise will now begin in July 2016. The Government regards the outcome of the franchise competition to be of national significance. First Great Western will continue to run the franchise until October 2013. After that two new short term contracts will be awarded, subject to negotiation and agreement with First Great Western and these will run until 2016. In the event of the new contracts being signed the Government owned Directly Operated Railways will step in. The new franchise will have a binding commitment to introduce ITSO compliant smart ticketing as DfT want smart ticketing to be rolled out as widely and as soon as technology permits.

Figure 37: First Great Western Journeys 2006-2011

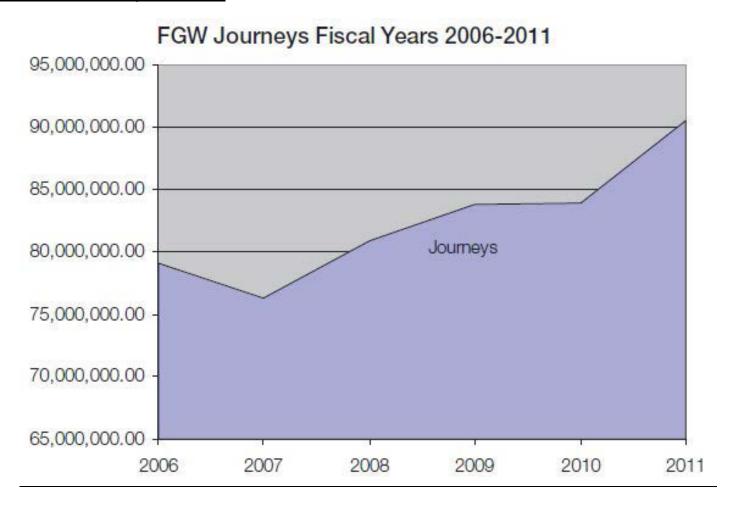
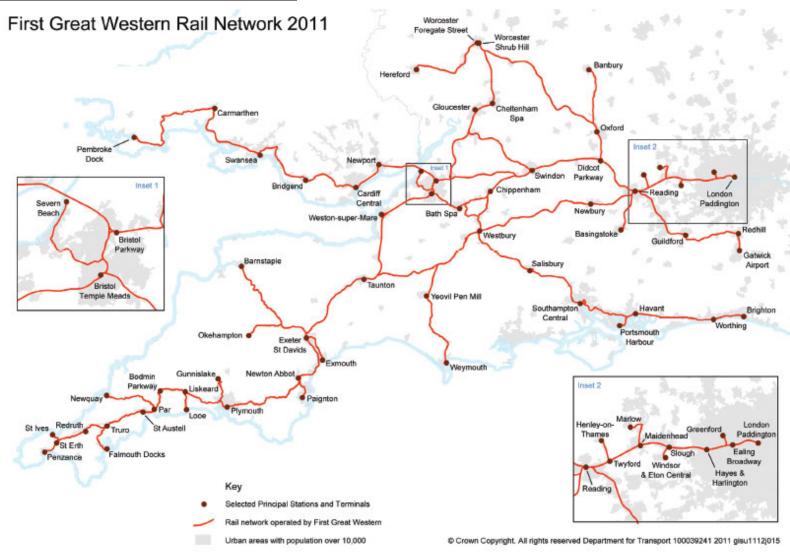


Figure 38: First Great Western Rail Network 2011

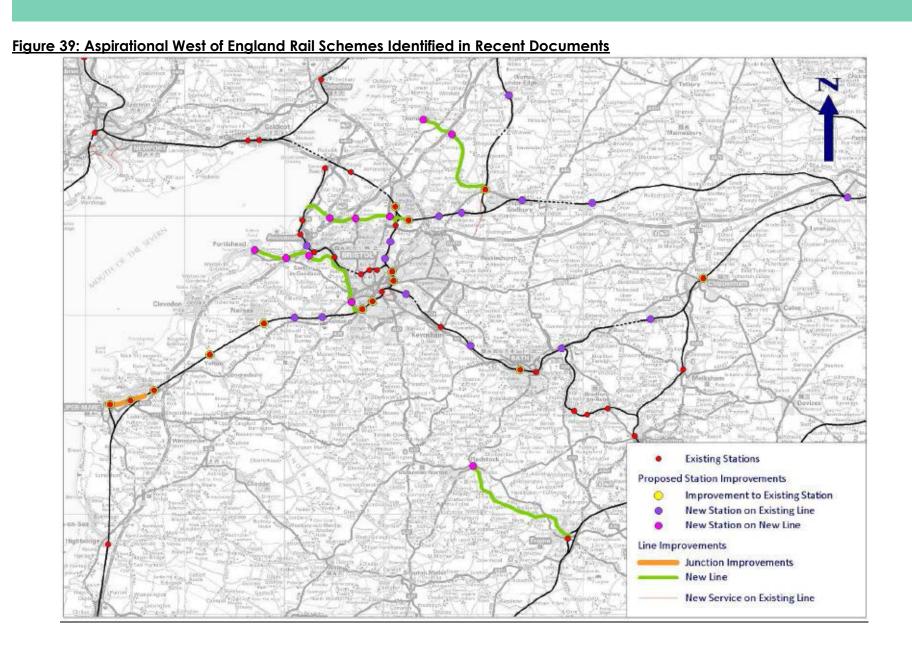


- 19.15 The latest figures published by First Great Western<sup>95</sup> show that the operating cost for running the franchise per year is £637.9million (data up to 31st March 2011). Within this total are payments made to Network Rail for access to the rail network which contribute towards infrastructure costs. DfT allocated a network grant of £317million to First Great Western which effectively pays the infrastructure costs incurred by Network Rail that are not covered by First Great Western.
- 19.16 Various local and regional policy documents over the past ten years have detailed aspirations for the local rail network in the West of England.

  The map below illustrates all the aspirational schemes identified in the most recent documents%.
- 19.17 Whilst some of these schemes are still at the aspirational/concept stage, the majority of these aspirations can be consolidated into the stated aim of the Greater Bristol Metro, which is one of the priorities agreed for inclusion in the new Great Western Franchise by the West of England Joint Transport Executive Committee. The **Greater Bristol Metro Project** (GBMP) will provide improvements to suburban services around the West of England, including improved frequency to provide half hourly services involving new rolling stock and new infrastructure. The other priorities are re-opening the Portishead line in North Somerset; additional rolling stock to meet current, future and suppressed demand; and four-tracking of Filton Bank. Four-Track has been included in the HLOS CP5. Emerging work from Halcrow indicates the GBMP project could be delivered in two phases; phase one would see increased capacity and frequency at Oldfield Park, Bath Spa and Keynsham; phase two could see the reopening of Saltford station. All new station proposals must provide a business case and go through the Network Rail GRIP project management process. Phase 1 would require installation of turnback capability at Bathampton Up Loop, which will require new signalling and a crossover, which when combined will allow trains to cross from the Up Loop to the Down line enabling trains to return to Bath.
- 19.18 To assist the franchise bidders for the Great Western Franchise in drawing up their proposals, and to strengthen the case for the Greater Bristol Metro, the West of England have commissioned Halcrow to undertake additional work. This includes a more detailed capacity assessment on the network's ability to support the Metro, develop the business case for the proposals, quantify the economic development impact of the Metro and its role in widening the labour market and examine wider regional linkages to improve services. Halcrow will also look at the implications and risks of delivering local rail including the decentralisation of rail powers and identifying potential models for the West of England.
- 19.19 Phase 1 of the Greater Bristol Metro was approved as the priority scheme of the Local Transport Body Board at their inaugural meeting in March 2013, subject to the early drawdown of the City Deal ten year funding allocation. This request has been made to the DfT.

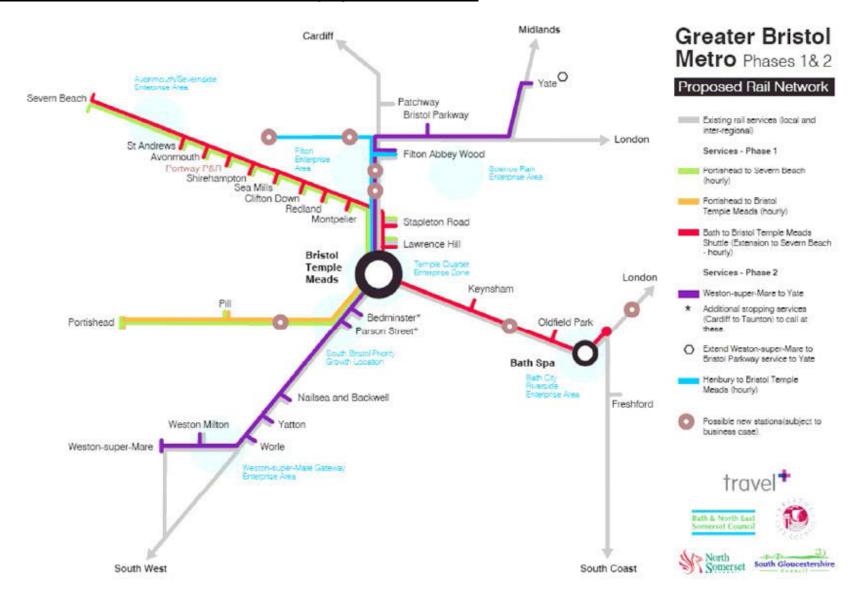
<sup>95</sup> http://www.dft.gov.uk/publications/dft-business-plan-indicators-input-07/

<sup>%</sup> WoE Joint Local Transport Plan 3 2011 – 2026 (WoE JLTP3); Great Western RUS 2010 (GWRUS); Network Rail Freight RUS 2007 (NRFRUS); WoE Discussion Note to Department for Transport on Electrification 2011; WoE Rail Conference (November 2011); Transport Alliance for Greater Bristol "Growing Bristol's Railways" 2011; and Severnside Community Rail Partnership – Progress Report 2012.



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Figure 40: Greater Bristol Network Phases 1 and 2: proposed Rail Network



- 19.20 The West of England has also drawn up an initial long list of future major schemes<sup>97</sup> in line with the recommendations of the DfT consultation paper 'Devolving Local Major Transport Schemes. The schemes that pass through the initial assessment will be subject to a multi criteria assessment assessing each scheme against a range of strategic fit and deliverability aspects. This will result in a set of high priority schemes which can be developed into a programme which covers the next CSR period (2015/16 18/19). Rail schemes on the long list that are assessed as affordable and deliverable include the Greater Bristol Metro (phase 1 and 2) and the new station at Saltford.
- 19.21 The **Network Rail Route Plan K 2011 Update** includes signalling renewals by Network Rail at Bristol Temple Meads, Bristol Signalling Centre area, and repositioning of signals at Bath Spa which will improve reliability, provide additional capacity and reduced platform reoccupation times. This facilitates an enhanced cross-Bristol service benefiting Bath Spa, Oldfield Park and Keynsham. This is funded by the Network Rail Discretionary Fund, which is a mechanism for funding minor schemes which will result in an increase in the capacity or capability of the network.
- 19.22 Route Plans were superseded in 2011 by **Network Specifications** and **Route Specifications** which were published alongside the **Initial Industry Plan England & Wales**<sup>98</sup>.
- 19.23 DfT announced on 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2011 that Government funding had been secured for extra carriages running on services between Bristol and London Paddington on morning and evening peak services. This will increase capacity at Bath Spa.
- 19.24 Train stations should be attractive gateways to the railway system, as well as being modern, user-friendly interchanges with other forms of transport. However, significant station investment is rarely commercially self-financing. It has been proposed that greater responsibility for maintenance and upkeep of station facilities could be transferred from Network Rail to the new franchisee of the Great Western railway. Capital improvements to Bath Spa station have been secured from the Southgate development in Bath. DfT announced<sup>99</sup> on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2011 funding for the **Access for All scheme** which aims to improve access to railway stations. Improvements will take place at Keynsham station involving a new ramp from the bridge. All work will be completed by 2014. The 2009 Stations Review<sup>100</sup> highlighted a desire for additional car parking and cycle spaces across the National Rail network. Bidders for the Great Western franchise are being encouraged to develop proposals to enhance provision across the franchise area. The HLOS for CP5 has ring-fenced £100m to fund station improvements, including better passenger information and has ring-fenced an additional £100m for the continuation of Access for All. The industry will be expected to seek funding contributions from other sources to further fund station infrastructure improvements.
- 19.25 One of the aspirations for new infrastructure mentioned above is to reinstate train services to Radstock. A railway alignment still exists to Radstock, diverging from the Whatley Quarry branch (Frome). Former alignments also run north to Bath and Bristol, although these have been

<sup>\*\*</sup> http://www.westofengland.org/media/247108/item%2010%20-%20jtec%20devolved%20major%20schemes%2019%20june%2012.pdf

<sup>98</sup> http://www.networkrail.co.uk/Network\_Specification\_Western.aspx#map-9

<sup>99</sup> http://www.dft.gov.uk/news/press-releases/dft-press-20111206d

<sup>100</sup> http://assets.dft.gov.uk/publications/better-rail-stations/report.pdf

substantially built over. The available connection runs south to Frome and therefore to reach the greater Bristol area a circuitous route would need to be run via Frome and Westbury to gain the main line to Bath and Bristol. No current local or regional service exists that might be extended to Radstock were the line to be reinstated. Halcrow estimate a trip from Radstock to Bath would take 55 minutes by rail. Given that there are several buses to Bath providing a 30-minute journey time from Radstock, a reinstated rail service option would not be competitive. Halcrow have estimated that a reinstated service would have capital costs of £41.4m.

- 19.26 There is a railhead facility at Westmoreland Station Road, Bath, used for the transportation of waste. There may be scope to make greater use of this facility and its use for rail freight is safeguarded in Policy T.10 of the Local Plan.
- 19.27 The Avon Valley Railway extends into the District at Saltford and the company ultimately hopes to reach Bath, alongside National Cycle Route 4.
- 19.28 The Council will seek planning contributions to any improvements to the transport system necessary due to any impact created by the proposed developments.

#### **INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENT**

Reference	Item	Status	Estimated Cost		Phasing		Policy Area
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	
<u>DWI.26</u>	Great Western Electrification & Intercity Express Programme	Key	National Cost £5.2 billion	>	<b>✓</b>		District Wide
<u>DWI.37</u>	Signal improvements at Bath Spa & Bristol area	Desirable	Not quantified	✓			District Wide
<u>DWI.38a</u>	MetroWest Rail Project Phase 1: Bath Spa to Severn Beach or Portishead hourly service including new turnback facility at Bathampton	Key	£2,760,000	>	✓		District Wide
DWI.38b	MetroWest Rail Project New Stations Package: new station at Saltford	Desirable	£5,500,000		>	✓	District Wide
<u>BI.36b</u>	Bathampton Station & permanent P&R site	Key	£46,000,000		>	✓	Bath
<u>KI.6a</u>	Improvements to Keynsham Railway Station	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	✓	Keynsh am
<u>KI.6b</u>	New ramp at Keynsham Railway Station	Desirable	£415,000	✓			Keynsh am
<u>RI.12</u>	Step free access to Freshford Station	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Rural areas

#### **NATIONAL**

- 20.1 Responsibilities for managing the road network are split between different bodies. The Secretary of State has responsibility for overall Government Policy on roads, puts the relevant legislation in place, sets the strategic framework for new developments, in traffic management, and establishes financial parameters. The *Highways Agency* is an executive agency of the Department for Transport and, on behalf of the Secretary of State, operates, maintains and improves the strategic road network (SRN) most motorways and all-purpose trunk roads in England. The underlying principles of the SRN are linking the main centres of population; facilitating access to major ports, airports and rail terminals; enabling access to peripheral regions; and providing key cross-border routes to Scotland and Wales. Local highway and traffic authorities (such as B&NES) are responsible for all other public roads (including non-trunk 'A' roads, 'B' and 'C' roads. Local highway authorities have a duty to maintain their roads under Part 4 of the Highways Act 1980<sup>101</sup>.
- 20.2 The SRN is a nationally strategic asset which performs a key role in promoting the growth of the UK economy with approximately four million vehicles using the network each day.
- 20.3 Department for Transport forecasts suggest that congestion across the English road network as a whole will increase from 2003 levels by 27 per cent by 2025 and 54 per cent by 2035. Traffic will shift to less congested roads but, here too, congestion will increase over time. The **Eddington study**<sup>102</sup> estimated that by 2025 the additional cost of congestion compared to 2003 would be £12 billion per annum (in 2002 prices) for business and £24 billion for all road users
- 20.4 The Local Transport White Paper 103 (January 2011) invites LEPs to identify strategic transport priorities across their areas, engaging with, among others, the Highways Agency and the DfT. On 31 January 2012, the Department for Transport issued a consultation paper titled 'Devolving local major transport schemes' 104. Under the proposals Local Transport Bodies would be responsible for establishing a programme of major schemes and for overseeing and monitoring delivery. Responsibility for delivery would be delegated to individual local authorities or other delivery agent such as the Highways Agency or Network Rail. In developing a future major schemes programme a Local Transport Body will be required to prioritise schemes on a clear basis agreed locally, which should be well-evidenced, robust and transparent. The Bristol City Region Deal confirmed that the necessary powers would be devolved to the West of England alongside investment in major transport schemes in the Transport Devolution Agreement.
- 20.5 The DfT draft Circular 'The Strategic Road Network and the Delivery of Sustainable Development is proposed to replace Circulars 02/2007 and 01/2008. This reflects the changes brought about by the Localism Act and the NPPF; places more emphasis on the Highway Agency's role as a delivery partner to growth and a development enabler; the role the SRN can play in enabling economic growth and the removal of

<sup>101</sup> http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1980/66

<sup>102</sup> http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/+/http:/www.dft.gov.uk/about/strategy/transportstrategy/eddinatonstudy/

<sup>103</sup> http://assets.dft.gov.uk/publications/making-sustainable-local-transport-happen/making-sustainable-local-transport-happen-whitepaper.pdf

<sup>104</sup> www.dft.gov.uk/consultations/dft-2012-04

<sup>105</sup> https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\_data/file/73173/strategic-road-network-policy.pdf

protectionist and/or negative statements that may be seen as a block on development; removes the expectation that the traffic impact on the SRN as a result of development should be mitigated so as to be no worse off after the 10 year review period; allows any capacity within the network to be used after traffic demand has been managed down through the implementation of travel plans and other appropriate measures; provides that where proposals would take a road or junction over capacity after impact reduction measures, mitigation will only be required to the extent that capacity is adequate at time of opening, thus removing the requirement to cater for future background growth; through this frees up capacity to be available unless the cumulative impacts are severe; and consolidates policy and advice contained in other documents concerned with specific development types, so as to provide a single source document for Transport Policy related to the SRN.

- 20.6 Capacity enhancements and infrastructure required to deliver strategic growth should be identified at the Local Plan stage and would not normally be considered as a fresh proposal at the planning application stage. The Highways Agency will work with strategic delivery bodies to identify infrastructure and access needs at the earliest possible opportunity within the Local Plan making process in order to assess suitability, viability and deliverability of such proposals. Where a potential capacity need is identified, it will be considered and weighed alongside environmental and deliverability considerations. Additional capacity may be considered in the context of the Highway Agency's forward programme of works, balancing the needs of motorists and other road users with wider impact on the environment and the local/regional community.
- 20.7 The **Cook Review of the Strategic Road Network** <sup>106</sup> recommended that the Highways Agency publishes a new long-term strategy for motorways and trunk roads to provide a long-term strategic direction for the network, the network manager and the wider industry, set in the context of the Government's wider transport strategy and policy agenda. This will include detailing firm commitments for the next five years and set out a funding package for the existing English motorway and trunk road network. The report also recommends that the Highways Agency, working with local authorities and LEPs, should initiate and develop a new generation of route-based strategies. This would provide clarity for local authorities and LEPs over the Government's plans for the SRN, and provide a means of coordinating the interests of the DfT with local interests, potentially alongside new, localised mechanisms for financing and delivering improvements on the strategic road network, and achieve greater coordination with local road networks.
- 20.8 The Government have agreed to roll out route based strategies across the entire network. They will be developed in 3 stages. In the first stage the Highways Agency will work with local stakeholders to develop a uniform set of route based strategies for all routes on the network, identifying performance issues on routes and future challenges, taking account of local growth challenges and priorities. It is intended that this first stage will be completed by spring 2014.
- 20.9 The Highways Agency and DfT will then use this evidence to prioritise and take forward a programme of work to identify indicative solutions covering operational, maintenance and if appropriate, road improvement schemes to inform investment plans for the next full spending review in 2015 and beyond.

<sup>106</sup> http://assets.dft.gov.uk/publications/strategic-roads-network/strategic-road-network.pdf

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- 20.10 Possible future capital projects within B&NES could include the proposed Whitchurch bypass and Temple Clutton bypass (safeguarded in saved Local Plan policies), an improvement to the A4 between Bristol and Bath and introducing an A36/A46 link to the east of Bath. These schemes are all subject to further investigation.
- 20.11 The West of England has drawn up an initial long list of future major schemes <sup>107</sup> in line with the recommendations of the DfT consultation paper 'Devolving Local Major Transport Schemes. The schemes that pass through the initial assessment will be subject to a multi criteria assessment assessing each scheme against a range of strategic fit and deliverability aspects. This will result in a set of high priority schemes which can be developed into a programme which covers the next CSR period (2015/16 18/19). Highways schemes on the long list that are assessed as affordable and deliverable include the Whitchurch Bypass.
- 20.12 The Council consulted during 2011 on a proposal to implement a two way traffic flow along a short section of the A36 Rossiter Road in Bath. The main objective of the project would be to divert "through" traffic, including HGV's, away from Widcombe Parade, thereby improving the environment within Widcombe village. Whilst the scheme received overwhelming public support concern was expressed over some of the detailed design. The scheme has now been improved to include a 4 vehicle drop off layby in Rossiter Road to provide improved access to Bath Spa train station 108.
- 20.13 The management of car parking is a key mechanism to achieve wider economic, environmental, safety, social and quality of life objectives. There are currently 11 public car parks serving Bath city centre and three Park and Ride car parks, providing a total capacity of 5273 spaces. The current off-street parking strategy for Bath is a balanced parking strategy that provides high quality Park and Ride car parks for long stay parking, while maintaining some city centre car parks for medium and short stay use and allowing some controlled on-street parking for short stay. An updated **draft Parking Strategy for Bath** was considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Panel. Some existing car park sites in central Bath have been identified as key development sites. The draft Parking Strategy states that city centre parking levels will have to be broadly maintained at current levels. Redevelopment of city centre car parking sites can still be supported provided parking levels are maintained either on or off site.

<sup>107</sup> http://www.westofengland.org/media/247108/item%2010%20-%20itec%20devolved%20major%20schemes%2019%20june%2012.pdf

<sup>108</sup> http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s20839/E2427%20Rossiter%20Rd%20Scheme%20Design.pdf

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Reference	ltem	Status	Estimated Cost		Phasing		Policy Area
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	
<u>BI.3d</u>	New vehicular bridge across the River Avon	Key	£1,800,000		✓		Bath
<u>BI.3k</u>	Windsor Bridge Road Improvements	Desirable	Not quantified	✓			Bath
<u>BI.3I</u>	Re-routing Pinesway gyratory	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath
<u>BI.9c</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with MOD Foxhill site	Key	Not quantified		>	>	Bath
BI.15	Rossiter Road Transport Scheme	Desirable	£1,800,000	✓			Bath
<u>BI.18</u>	Highway works associated with Somerset Place	Key	Not quantified	✓			Bath
<u>BI.19</u>	Highway works associated with Bath Press site	Key	Not quantified	✓			Bath
<u>BI.24</u>	Highway works associated with Alexander House, Norfolk Place site	Key	Not quantified		<b>√</b>		Bath
<u>BI.25</u>	Highway works associated with Lower Bristol Road, Eastern Part site	Key	Not quantified			<b>✓</b>	Bath
<u>BI.26</u>	Highway works associated with Lower Bristol Road, Unigate Dairy site	Key	Not quantified			✓	Bath
<u>BI.27a</u>	Highway works associated with MOD Ensleigh site	Key	Not quantified		>	✓	Bath
<u>BI.28a</u>	Highway works associated with MOD  Warminster Road site	Кеу	Not quantified		✓		Bath
<u>BI.29</u>	Highway works associated with The Harvester, Gloucester Road site	Key	Not quantified	✓			Bath
<u>BI.30c</u>	Re-routing Green Park Road	Key	£3,800,000	>	✓		Bath
<u>BI.31</u>	Highway works associated with the Nursery Building, Powlett Court site	Key	Not quantified		✓		Bath
<u>BI.38</u>	A36/A46 Link	Desirable	£65,000,000	>	>	>	Bath
<u>BI.41b</u>	Highway works associated with Odd Down	Key	Not	>	>	>	Bath

	Urban Extension		quantified				
MNRI.4	Midsomer Norton Transport network improvements	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Somer Valley
MNRI.5	Radstock Transport network improvements	Desirable	£1,556,000	✓			Somer Valley
<u>MNRI.11</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Hazel Terrace site	Key	Not quantified	✓			Somer Valley
<u>MNRI.12</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Radstock County Infants School site	Key	Not quantified	✓			Somer Valley
<u>MNRI.13</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Old Pit Yard, Clandown site	Key	Not quantified	✓			Somer Valley
<u>MNRI.14</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with St Peters Factory, Jewsons site	Key	Not quantified	✓			Somer Valley
<u>MNRI.15</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Welton Bibby Baron site	Key	Not quantified		✓		Somer Valley
<u>MNRI.16</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Martins Block site	Key	Not quantified		✓		Somer Valley
<u>MNRI.17</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with South Road Car Park site	Key	Not quantified		✓		Somer Valley
<u>MNRI.18</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Alcan site	Key	Not quantified		✓		Somer Valley
<u>MNRI.19</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Charltons, Frome Road site	Key	Not quantified		✓		Somer Valley
<u>MNRI.20</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Old bakery, Waterloo Road site	Key	Not quantified		✓		Somer Valley
<u>MNRI.21</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Library / Youth Club / Church Street Youth Club site	Key	Not quantified		✓		Somer Valley
<u>MNRI.22</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Coomb End North site	Key	Not quantified	>	✓		Somer Valley
<u>MNRI.23</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Clandown Scrap Yard site	Key	Not quantified	✓			Somer Valley
<u>MNRI.24</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Paulton Builders Merchants site	Key	Not quantified	✓			Somer Valley
<u>MNRI.25</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Paulton Printing Factory site	Key	Not quantified	>	✓		Somer Valley

<u>MNRI.26</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Wellow Lane site	Key	Not quantified	✓			Somer Valley
<u>KI.5</u>	Highways Infrastructure associated with Somerdale site	Key	Not quantified	✓			Keynsham
<u>KI.17</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with the Town Hall site	Key	Not quantified	✓			Keynsham
<u>KI.20b</u>	Transport Infrastructure for East of Keynsham Urban Extension	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham
<u>KI.21b</u>	Transport Infrastructure for South of Keynsham Urban Extension	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham
<u>RI.6</u>	A37 Clutton and Temple Cloud Bypass	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Rural areas
<u>RI.7</u>	A37 Whitchurch Bypass	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Rural areas
<u>RI.8</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Wheelers Yard, North Road, Timsbury site	Key	Not quantified	✓			Rural areas
<u>RI.9</u>	Highways infrastructure associated with Brookside Drive, Farmborough site	Key	Not quantified	✓			Rural areas
<u>RI.13</u>	A4 Saltford Bypass	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Rural areas
<u>RI.14c</u>	Transport Infrastructure for Whitchurch Urban Extension	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Rural areas

#### **NATIONAL**

- 21.1 The House of Commons report **Bus Service after the Spending Review**<sup>109</sup> concluded that bus services are an important and valued form of transport for many people, enabling them to participate in employment, education, and voluntary services, and to access health services and shops. Bus lanes are an important means of supporting local transport, and if well designed, bus priority measures can also make a substantial difference to congested roads.
- 21.2 **Devolving Local Major Transport Schemes**<sup>110</sup> (DfT, January 2012) proposed that Local Transport Bodies would be responsible for establishing a programme of major schemes and for overseeing and monitoring delivery. Delivery would be delegated to individual Local Authorities or other delivery agents such as Network Rail. A formulaic approach to funding allocations is proposed, with per capita favoured to create an even distribution. DfT have stated that the Local Transport Body should priorities schemes on a clear basis agreed locally, which should be well evidenced, robust and transparent. The **Bristol City Region Deal** confirmed that the necessary powers would be devolved to the West of England alongside investment in major transport schemes in the Transport Devolution Agreement.

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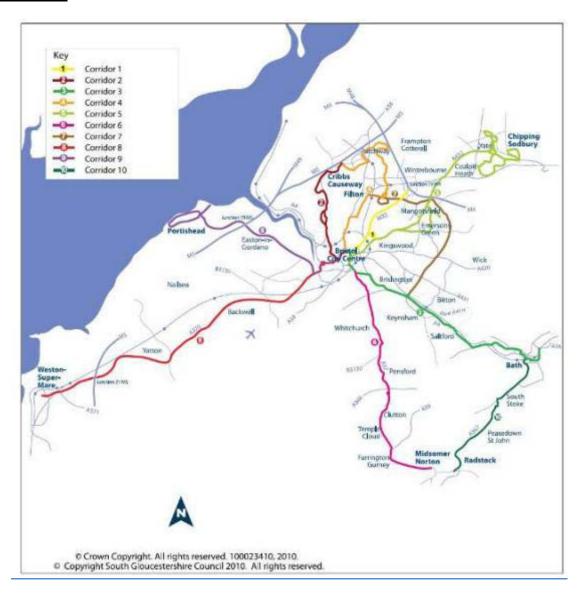
21.3 The *Greater Bristol Bus Network* includes improvements to bus infrastructure between Bath, Bristol and Radstock/Midsomer Norton, major improvements to bus corridors, and the purchase of new buses. Physical measures include bus priority measures and improved bus stops with new shelters, raised curbs and at the most popular stops real time passenger information. Construction commenced in 2008 and is now substantially complete. A final report has been produced by the West of England to evaluate the project<sup>111</sup>.

<sup>109</sup> http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm201012/cmselect/cmtran/750/750.pdf

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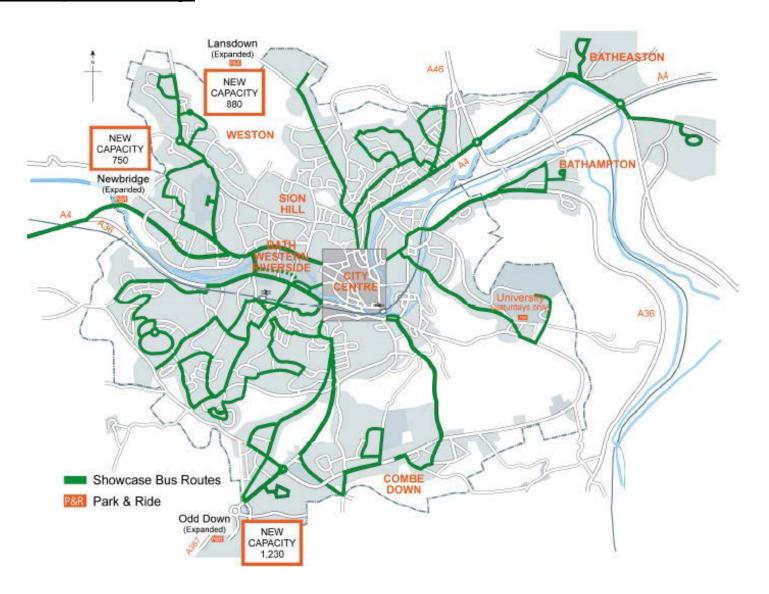
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Figure 41: Greater Bristol Bus Network

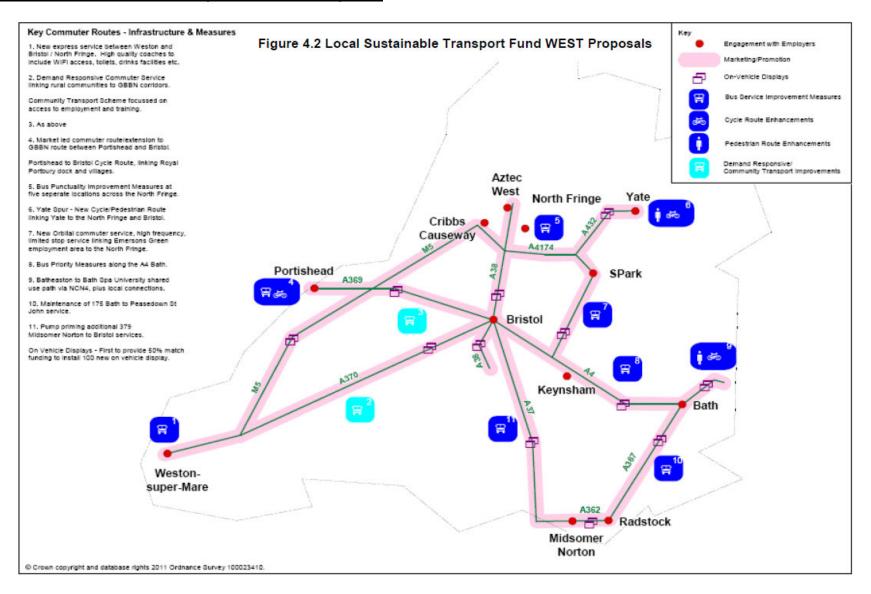


- 21.4 The DfT confirmed on 11th July 2012 final approval for the **Bath Transportation Package** (BTP). The announcement confirms programme entry for the scheme. The BTP comprises upgrades to bus stop infrastructure on 9 service routes including real time passenger information; expansion of the Odd Down Park and Ride by 250 spaces, Lansdown Park and Ride by 390 spaces, and Newbridge Park and Ride by 250 spaces; variable message signs on the main approaches to Bath and within the city centre; city centre works including High Street improvements and timed access restrictions; and works to support Bath Western Riverside including a Bus Rapid Transit system serving the site. The Bath Package aims to provide a modern integrated easy to use public transport system which seeks to:
  - Create a step change in public transport providing an attractive alternative to the private car
  - Reduce congestion and improve air quality
  - Bring environmental improvements
- 21.5 The Bath Package, as part of the DfT development pool of Local Authority Major Transport Schemes, is included in the National Infrastructure Plan as a nationally significant priority infrastructure scheme.
- 21.6 The previous amendments to the Bath Transportation Package included the deletion of the A36 bus lane which is part of a long standing improvement line which it is recommended that the Council continues to protect through planning policy, and can be implemented in the future should resources allow. The Council is also reviewing options for a park and ride to the east of Bath.
- 21.7 The West of England Sustainable Travel (WEST) Local Sustainable Transport Fund (LSTF) large project initial proposal received funding approval from the DfT on 27th June 2012 providing £24m of Government capital and revenue funding (one of the highest in the country). WEST is an integrated package of 10 projects built around the three themes of: low-carbon commuting (targeting business travel on key commuter corridors and at major employment locations); active and sustainable communities (working with local communities to develop 'bottom up' sustainable transport solutions); and transitions to a low-carbon lifestyle (focusing on the choices people make as they move school, university, home or job). The bid covers the West of England area (which includes B&NES) focusing on: 11 key commuter routes; the centres of Bath, Bristol and Weston-super-Mare; 25 urban and 42 rural communities; the key employment clusters of Portbury Docks/Severnside, Bristol airport and the North Fringe; 4 universities including Bath and Bath Spa; and 90 schools. The total grant available for projects in B&NES is £3.1m over the life of the project. DWI.30 will expand on the work being carried forward in the LSTF Key Component Bid outlined in BI.11 and MNRI.8.

Figure 42: Bath Transportation Package



## Figure 43: Local Sustainable Transport Fund WEST Proposals



- 21.8 The West of England has drawn up an initial long list of future major schemes <sup>112</sup> in line with the recommendations of the DfT consultation paper 'Devolving Local Major Transport Schemes. The schemes that pass through the initial assessment will be subject to a multi criteria assessment assessing each scheme against a range of strategic fit and deliverability aspects. This will result in a set of high priority schemes which can be developed into a programme which covers the next CSR period (2015/16 18/19). Bus based schemes on the long list that are assessed as affordable and deliverable include the East of Bath Park & Ride, and post Bath package expansion of Newbridge, Odd Down and Lansdown Park and Ride sites.
- 21.9 The ITSO Smart Ticketing LSTF application will 'enable most public transport journeys to be undertaken using smart ticketing technology throughout SW England' to support economic growth, reduce carbon, and enhance social mobility. The investment in smart ticketing infrastructure and the regional back office support platform through this project will improve the performance of bus operators through better boarding times leading to faster end to end passenger journeys (and associated carbon emissions savings); it will contribute to reducing congestion through modal transfer; and will generate passenger growth through the introduction of better ticketing products in accordance with the identified impacts associated with a migration to smart ticketing. Overall, it will help to sustain and grow the regional bus network, improve the commercial operational base, leading to more sustainable transport opportunities for existing and new passengers. This regional submission has been developed around three core complementary scheme packages:
  - Delivering the roll out of operational ITSO compliant ticket machines and required support services across all registered local bus services in SW England by the end of 2012/13.
  - Delivering Europe's 1st open access regional ITSO HOPS Card Management System (CMS) Package, and England's 1st Region wide E-Money platform for transport ticketing.
  - Support Smart Ticketing adoption within community based organisations in SW England, and assist other English Local Authorities in meeting DfT smartcard based policy deadlines.
- 21.10 The Department for Transport approved the bid in July 2011 and will contribute £2.98m.

<sup>112</sup> http://www.westofengland.org/media/247108/item%2010%20-%20jtec%20devolved%20major%20schemes%2019%20june%2012.pdf

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Reference	Item	Status	Estimated Cost		Phasing		Policy Area
			C031	11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	Aleu
<u>DWI.13</u> & <u>MNRI.2</u>	Greater Bristol Bus Network Improvements	Complete	£78,800,000		Complete		District Wide
<u>DWI.29</u>	ITSO Smart Ticketing for all local bus services	Desirable	Total cost £9,410,000	✓			District Wide
<u>DWI.30</u>	LSTF WEST Major Scheme	Key	£3,100,000	✓			District Wide
DWI.30b	LSTF Extension to 2015/16	Key	£643,000	✓			District Wide
<u>BI.1</u>	Bath Transport Package	Key	£26.898,000	✓			Bath
<u>BI.16</u>	A36 bus lane	Desirable	£3,000,000	>	✓		Bath
<u>BI.35</u>	Bus/Cycle/Pedestrian link Locksbrook Road to Windsor Bridge Road	Desirable	Not quantified		✓		Bath
<u>BI.36a</u>	Temporary Bus Based East of Bath Park and Ride	Key	£10,000,000		✓		Bath
<u>BI.36b</u>	Bathampton Station & permanent P&R site	Key	£46,000,000		>	✓	Bath
<u>BI.39</u>	Post Bath Package expansion of Newbridge, Odd Down and Lansdown Park & Ride sites	Desirable	£6,500,000		>	>	Bath
<u>BI.49</u>	Better Bus Area Projects	Desirable	£600,000	✓			Bath
<u>BI.50</u>	Relocation of Weston Island Bus Depot	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath

#### **NATIONAL**

- 22.1 The NPPF (paragraph 75) states that planning policies should protect and enhance public rights of way and access. Local Authorities should seek opportunities to provide better facilities for users, for example by adding links to existing rights of way networks including National Trails.
- 22.2 In September 2010 the Government announced the creation of a **Local Sustainable Transport Fund (LSTF)** aimed at both climate change and local economic growth through the implementation of sustainable transport solutions. Applications to the Fund can either be for small (up to £5m) or large (up to £50m) projects.

#### LOCAL

- 22.3 The **Green Infrastructure Strategy** contains the key driver of Green Travel and Outdoors Access. The overall aim of the **Rights of Way Improvement Plan**<sup>113</sup> is to increase use of public paths.
- 22.4 The West of England 'Key Commuter Routes' 114 LSTF application is an integrated package promoting low carbon alternatives to single occupancy car-use on six key commuter corridors capturing 40% of journeys to work across the West of England. This bid covers the West of England travel to work area. A combination of walking, cycling and public transport infrastructure will be supported by a package of marketing, promotion and other interventions to support modal change. Significant work has already taken place along these corridors under the auspices of the Greater Bristol Bus Network and Cycling City projects. The actions will enable the West of England Authorities to capitalise on this work. The Department for Transport has awarded the Council £750,000 which will be used to fund a cycle route from Batheaston to Bath Spa University through the city centre and cycle and pedestrian enhancements from Wellow to Bloomfield Road (Bath).

<sup>113</sup> http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/Executive/WL/2007/071019/01E1660zAppx1ROWIP.pdf

<sup>114</sup> http://www.travelplus.org.uk/media/215878/woe%20lstf%20key%20component%20bid%20april%202011.pdf

## Figure 44: Key Commuter Routes in LSTF Key Component



- 22.5 The Government announced in February 2013 the opportunity for first and second round City Deal areas to bid for funds for cycling infrastructure through the **Cycle City Ambition Fund.** In April 2013 a joint bid by B&NES, Bristol and South Gloucestershire Councils was submitted for £11.1m (£7.8m of grant) with a letter of support from the LEP. A decision is expected in June 2013.
- 22.6 Victoria Bridge in Bath was built in 1836 and has a Grade 2\* listing. The bridge has historic value, provides an important route for pedestrians (including a route to school) and is a key gateway to the Western Riverside development. The introduction of a sizeable new population at Western Riverside will increase the importance of the crossing point provided by the bridge. The bridge is in a poor condition and following structural assessments in 2010 it was found necessary to close the bridge to pedestrians and cyclists. Monitoring in 2011 highlighted significant and rapid deterioration with structural failure being a significant risk. Temporary works to secure the bridge were completed in December 2011. Dismantling the existing superstructure and reconstructing in its original form and function, using steel components to achieve the necessary strength and performance criteria for the bridge to be used as a Public Highway asset, whilst retaining original ironwork where otherwise possible is the preferred option. English Heritage has accepted in principle that this option is an appropriate solution to take forward. A solution to improve the linkage between Victoria Bridge Road and the River Avon towpath is now part of the project scope. This has potential to improve local access for pedestrians, cyclists and wheelchair users.
- 22.7 The **Two Tunnels** route will use an old railway track bed along the old Somerset and Dorset Railway Line from Combe Down creating a direct route between Bath and the Midford valley, 2½ miles south of the city before joining the long distance Sustrans NCN24 route. The Two Tunnels route is being built by Sustrans working in partnership with Bath and North East Somerset Council as part of the Connect2 project. The project will renovate the disused Tucking Mill viaduct and open up two disused tunnels, one of which (Combe Down) is over a mile long. The project will bring together the communities of Bath, Midford and nearby communities of Oldfield Park, Twerton, The Oval, Beechen Cliff, Bloomfield, Widcombe, Perrymead and Foxhill, will all be able to make everyday journeys to local schools, shops, work and for leisure, by foot or by bike. Initial estimates suggest that this greenway will attract one million journeys every year by both local people and visitors to Bath. The route will also link to the successful Colliers Way in the South and the Bath-Bristol cycle path in the West.
- 22.8 The **Five Arches Greenway** scheme significantly re-connects the towns of Radstock and Midsomer Norton, overcoming the hilly terrain around the Radstock area which currently makes walking and cycling difficult. A new traffic-free route, passing along a disused railway path links these two communities to shops, leisure and school facilities including the new skate park at Gullock Tyning, avoiding the existing busy roads in the local area. The Five Arches Greenway links to the Norton Radstock Greenway, which in turn links in to National Cycle Network Route 24 (The Colliers Way). The official opening of Five Arches Greenway, Midsomer Norton took place on Saturday 24th September 2011.
- 22.9 The Somerdale redevelopment scheme will require improved pedestrian/cycling infrastructure with direct linkages to the town centre and train station, including disabled access. As part of this, there is opportunity to create a new 'level' route for pedestrians and cyclists across the A4 with a lightweight bridge (subject to overcoming archaeological constraints) which would connect the Memorial Park to the railway station, addressing the A4 and railway line as major physical barriers within the park. Improved links are desired from Keynsham to the large number of long-distance footpaths and other adjacent recreational routes and strategic cycleways that surround the town, such as National Routes 3 & 4 and Regional Route 10.

22.10 The grocery shop in Farmborough has recently closed. A new footpath is desired which would connect the village to the local food store. This would ensure that the village meets the Core Strategy criteria for future small scale development. The cost for this is based on an estimated cost of providing a path at £100 per meter, plus an assumed legal cost, land take and telegraph pole and hedgerow relocation. The transport solution would be a kerbed footway 1.5m wide. Developer contributions to support development of a community shop (either in kind or financial) in the village of Farmborough could be an alternative solution to this issue potentially at lower cost. This project only has a rough cost estimate and the practicalities (e.g., land ownership, deliverability) and impact on scheme viability are still to be considered.

### **INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENT**

Reference	ltem	Status	Estimated Cost		Phasing		Policy Area
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	
<u>DWI.15</u>	Two Tunnels Greenway	Complete	£1,900,000		Complete		District Wide
<u>BI.3e</u>	New pedestrian bridge across the River Avon at Western Riverside	Desirable	£1,500,000			✓	Bath
<u>BI.3m</u>	Victoria Bridge reopening	Key	£3,400,000	✓			Bath
BI.11 & MNRI.8	West of England Key Commuter Routes  LSTF Key Component Bid	Complete	£750,000		Complete		Bath & Somer Valley
<u>BI.12b</u>	Bath Recreation ground river bridge	Desirable	£1,500,000	>	✓		Bath
<u>BI.30a</u>	New pedestrian bridge across the River  Avon at Bath Quays	Key	£2,500,000	✓			Bath
<u>BI.35</u>	Bus/Cycle/Pedestrian link Locksbrook Road to Windsor Bridge Road	Desirable	£200,000		✓		Bath
MNRI.7	Five Arches Greenway Scheme	Complete	Not quantified		Complete		Somer Valley
<u>KI.11</u>	Pedestrian/ Cycle Bridge over the A4 at Keynsham	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham
<u>KI.13</u>	Improved Cycle Links (Keynsham Greenways)	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham
<u>RI.3</u>	Farmborough village shop pedestrian link	Desirable	£150,000	✓			Rural areas

### TRANSPORT: SMARTER CHOICES

#### **NATIONAL**

- 23.1 Smarter choices are techniques for influencing people's travel behaviour towards more sustainable options such as encouraging school, workplace and individualised travel planning. They also seek to improve public transport and marketing services such as travel awareness campaigns, setting up websites for car share schemes, supporting car clubs and encouraging home working.
- 23.2 In encouraging these approaches the Government is encouraging individuals and business to think flexibly and to consider the range of technology and travel options available to enable them to carry out their work in the most efficient and effective manner. Using alternatives to travel can make good business sense. They can help to reduce congestion and increase productivity, contributing to economic growth, and can help reduce business travel, saving businesses money. Increased uptake of alternatives to travel can also help reduce carbon.
- 23.3 Reliable broadband access is a key factor in enabling businesses to consider increasing their take up of alternatives to travel, particularly internet-based working. The Government has committed to delivering superfast broadband (at least 25 mega-bits per second) to 90% of households in the UK by 2015.
- 23.4 One of the Department for Transport's aims is to use smart and integrated ticketing to facilitate the more efficient use of the transport network.

  A smart ticket is one where a ticket or 'permission to travel' is stored electronically on a card or suitably enabled device like a mobile telephone. Integrated tickets are valid on more than one operator and or mode of transport.
- 23.5 The Government's approach to electric vehicles is set out in the *Plug-In Vehicle Infrastructure Strategy*<sup>115</sup>. The Government is committed to growing the market for plug-in vehicles in the UK. The shift to ultra-low emission vehicles offers the potential to decarbonise road transport while still enabling mobility and stimulating green jobs and investment. The Spending Review made provision of over £300m over the life of the current Parliament for the Plug-In Car Grant to reduce the upfront cost of eligible vehicles to consumers and businesses. Recognising that continued growth in recharging infrastructure will be driven by private sector investment, which could be constrained by the ability to raise finance, there is the potential for the Green Investment Bank to provide targeted financial solutions for appropriate plug-in vehicle infrastructure projects.
- 23.6 The DfT announced in November 2011 that the **National Chargepoint Registry** will systematically map the locations of charging points for plugin vehicles across the country. Alongside this, a new system the Central Whitelist will be created to make it easier for motorists to access each chargepoint without having to sign up to new schemes each time they charge in a different location. Both systems are due to go live early in 2012.
- 23.7 The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (Amendment) (England) Order 2011, coming into force on 1st October 2011, extends permitted development rights to charging points for electric vehicles.

<sup>115</sup> http://assets.dft.gov.uk/publications/making-the-connection-the-plug-in-vehicle-infrastructure-strategy/plug-in-vehicle-in

### TRANSPORT: SMARTER CHOICES

#### 24 LOCAL

- 24.1 The **Bath Transport Interventions Study** (2010) included an assessment of smarter choices options for the city using the G-BATH model. This indicated that a package of workplace and school travel plans, together with personalised travel planning could reduce car trips by 4% of higher with suitable funding. The study also highlighted the number of short car trips within the city, a proportion of which could be diverted to walking and cycling. A package of walking and cycling improvements along the river corridor was estimated to remove 680 car trips in the AM peak hour. A combination of smarter choices interventions across the city and walk/cycle improvements along the river corridor was estimated to reduce journey times by 2 minutes on most routes.
- 24.2 The ITSO Smart Ticketing Local Sustainable Transport Fund application will enable most public transport journeys to be undertaken using smart ticketing technology throughout South West England to support economic growth, reduce carbon, and enhance social mobility. The investment in smart ticketing infrastructure and the regional back office support platform through this project will improve the performance of bus operators through better boarding times leading to faster end to end passenger journeys (and associated carbon emissions savings); it will contribute to reducing congestion through modal transfer; and will generate passenger growth through the introduction of better ticketing products in accordance with the identified impacts associated with a migration to smart ticketing. Overall, it will help to sustain and grow the regional bus network, improve the commercial operational base, leading to more sustainable transport opportunities for existing and new passengers.

#### INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENT

Reference	Item	Status	<b>Estimated Cost</b>		Phasing		Policy Area
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	
<u>DWI.27</u>	Smarter Choices Interventions	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
<u>DWI.29</u>	ITSO Smart Ticketing for all local bus services	Desirable	Total cost £9,410,000	✓			District Wide
<u>DWI.31</u>	Broadband Improvements	Desirable	£1,400,000 allocated to West of England	>	✓		District Wide

### GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE: STRATEGIC GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE

## **NATIONAL**

Primary legislation	
Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010 <sup>116</sup>	Water Framework Directive <sup>117</sup>
Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 <sup>118</sup>	Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 <sup>119</sup>
Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006 <sup>120</sup>	Climate Change Act 2008 <sup>121</sup>

- 25.1 Green Infrastructure (GI) is a well-managed, network of multi-functional green space, both urban and rural, which is capable of delivering a wide range of environmental and quality of life benefits for local communities. GI provides an approach that enables more effective use of existing assets by consideration of integrated solutions to address a number of issues. Key outcomes include enhanced biodiversity, adaptation to climate change, landscape and heritage conservation, healthy living, flood mitigation and sustainable urban drainage systems, sustainable transport and fuel/food production. Green space is taken to include rivers and standing waters.
- 25.2 GI capital costs are relatively low particularly when compared to built infrastructure. The revenue (maintenance) costs of GI are also low, but have often been overlooked/under-estimated which can compromise management standards. Accurate costing of the planning, delivery and maintenance is key to the viability of GI components such as community woodlands, access routes and wildlife areas, as is identification of a capital sum that can be invested to provide for long-term maintenance or an income stream that can contribute towards maintenance in perpetuity. Also important is the existence of long-term management agencies with the skills and capacity to manage these areas.
- 25.3 Over the last 100 years there has been an unprecedented change in the UK countryside, resulting in habitat loss and dramatic adverse impacts on the populations of many species. The Government's White Paper *The Natural Choice: Securing the Value of Nature* <sup>122</sup> aims to:
  - Halting biodiversity loss by 2020
  - Supporting 'healthy functioning ecosystems'
  - Establishing 'coherent ecological networks'
- 25.4 The **Lawton Report**<sup>123</sup> concluded that 'England's collection of wildlife sites, diverse as it is, does not comprise a coherent and resilient ecological network even today, let alone one that is capable of coping with the challenge of climate change and other pressures'.

<sup>116</sup> http://incc.defra.gov.uk/page-1379

<sup>117</sup> http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/research/planning/33362.aspx

<sup>118</sup> http://incc.defra.gov.uk/page-1377

<sup>119</sup> http://incc.defra.gov.uk/page-1378

<sup>120</sup> http://www.naturalengland.org.uk/ourwork/conservation/biodiversity/protectandmanage/habsandspeciesimportance.aspx

<sup>121</sup> http://www.decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/legislation/cc act 08/cc act 08.aspx

<sup>122</sup> http://www.defra.gov.uk/environment/natural/whitepaper/

<sup>123</sup> http://archive.defra.gov.uk/environment/biodiversity/documents/201009space-for-nature.pdf

- 25.5 The White Paper refers to the role of urban GI as completing the 'links in our national ecological network' and 'one of the most effective tools available to us in managing environmental risks such as flooding and heat waves'. It advocates that green spaces should be factored into the development of all communities.
- 25.6 **Local Nature Partnerships** (LNPs) work at a strategic scale for a better natural environment and will contribute to local plan and decision making. The Government has committed to amend the Town and Country Planning regulations (after summer 2012) to require bodies bound by the Duty to Co-operate to have regard to the views of LNPs on strategic planning matters.
- 25.7 The **Biodiversity Strategy for England**<sup>124</sup> builds on the Natural Environment White Paper and sets out how international and EU commitments are to be implemented and achieved. Planning is identified as key to reducing environmental pressure from planning and development, by taking a 'strategic approach to planning for nature' and by retaining the 'protection and improvement of the natural environment as core objectives of the planning system'.
- 25.8 The objectives of the natural environment within the planning system are set out in the NPPF and state the 'planning system should contribute to and enhance the natural and local environment by:
  - Protecting and enhancing valued landscapes, geological conservation interests and soils;
  - Recognising the wider benefits of ecosystem services;
  - Minimising impacts on biodiversity and providing net gains in biodiversity where possible, contributing to the Government's
    commitment to halt the overall decline in biodiversity, including by establishing coherent ecological networks that are more resilient to
    current and future pressures;
  - Preventing both new and existing development from contributing to or being put at unacceptable risk from, or being adversely affected by unacceptable levels of soil, air, water or noise pollution or land instability; and
  - Re-mediating and mitigating despoiled, degraded, derelict, contaminated and unstable land, where appropriate.
- 25.9 The TCPA guidance *Planning for a Healthy Environment*<sup>125</sup> contains 10 key guiding principles for planning and creating GI:
  - GI needs to be strategically planned to provide a comprehensive and integrated network: local authorities should identify strategic GI within Local Plans
  - **GI requires wide partnership buy-in:** requires a co-ordinated approach from a multi-disciplinary, cross-organisational, cross boundary team of partners. The LNP will help to achieve this
  - **GI needs to be planned using sound evidence:** should be based on up-to-date ecological evidence on and information about GI assets

http://www.defra.gov.uk/publications/2011/08/19/pb13583-biodiversity-strategy-2020/

<sup>125</sup> http://www.wildlifetrusts.org/sites/default/files/Green-Infrastructure-Guide-TCPA-TheWildlifeTrusts 0.pdf

- GI needs to demonstrate 'multi-functionality': can also be viewed as the application of an 'ecosystem' approach
- GI needs to be central to the development's design and must reflect and enhance the area's locally distinctive character: the GI network should be fully integrated with the design, reaching into the built environment and incorporating gardens, open space, extensive corridors, and improvements that connect with the wider countryside
- GI should contribute to biodiversity gain by safeguarding, enhancing, restoring and creating wildlife habitat and by integrating biodiversity into the built environment: existing designated sites should be protected from development. Sites can include areas of habitat beyond the development which require protection and buffering, along with more formal green spaces enhanced for wildlife, even where nature conservation may not be the primary objective. The built environment should be permeable to wildlife, incorporating design features aimed at sustaining and increasing the population of particular species.
- GI should achieve physical and functional connectivity between sites at strategic an local levels: Habitats reflecting those found within the ecologically relevant surrounding area should be created off-site, around and within the development, with connections from the countryside into and through the built environment
- GI needs to include accessible spaces and facilitate physically active travel: developments should include attractive, engaging and safe outdoor spaces which meet a variety of social, health and well-being needs for local people. Such spaces include parks, play areas, community gardens, housing estate landscapes, playing fields, off-road walking and cycling routes, rivers, canals, road verges and structural landscaping, Local Green Space designations, Local Nature Reserves, and private gardens.
- GI needs to be integrated with other policy initiatives: such as catchment approach to deliver the requirements of the Water Framework Directive
- 25.10 The **Wetland Vision for England**<sup>126</sup> sets out a 50-year vision for England's freshwater wetlands, showing where new wetlands could be created and current wetlands restored, providing multiple environmental, economic and social benefits.
- 25.11 While development can contribute to landscape scale GI (through \$106 and potentially CIL), other funding mechanisms will need to be sought to establish significant corridors and large scale features. Examples could include the Heritage Lottery Fund, Higher Level Stewardship, and INTERREG European funding. The potential scope for biodiversity offsets is also being explored by DEFRA. Some GI assets can provide income to support management costs for example woodlands managed for fuel, renewable energy resources, and consumption systems. Local Authorities do not have a statutory duty to manage green space, and consequently budget pressures mean that GI can lose out in terms of revenue support. Opportunities to establish innovative funding and management arrangements should be explored to ensure maximum multi-functional benefit from GI. Local Authorities do have a statutory duty to map and maintain public rights of way. Ensuring new paths created within developments are adopted is key to securing their long term protection.
- 25.12 The Government has stated in the National Infrastructure Plan that they will invest in green infrastructure projects via the **Green Investment Bank** (GIB). Its mission will be to accelerate private sector investment in the UK green economy, with an initial remit to focus on relatively high risk projects (such as offshore wind power generation, commercial and industrial waste processing and recycling, energy from waste

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<sup>126</sup> http://www.wetlandvision.org.uk/

- generation, non-domestic energy efficiency and support for the Green Deal) which are otherwise likely to proceed slowly or not at all. It will work to a 'double bottom line' of both achieving significant environmental impact and making financial returns delivering value for money.
- 25.13 Most of England's countryside is in agricultural use, which is not within the scope of planning control. The management of agricultural land is, however, crucial to achieving the wider ecological network necessary to deliver a net gain in biodiversity, and many agri-environment schemes are designed to deliver nature conservation.
- 25.14 The effect of protecting Green Belt land from most forms of development over time and its close proximity to urban areas has been such that green Belt land now contains many key GI assets. The NPPF gives a clear steer that Green Belt land should be a priority for new GI.
- 25.15 There are many approaches that can be included in the detailed design of new development to facilitate new GI. Guidance can be found in Annex B of the TCPA guidance and in **Biodiversity and the Built Environment**<sup>127</sup>.

#### LOCAL

- 25.16 The Council has developed a **Green Infrastructure Strategy**<sup>128</sup> for the district which sets out priorities for improving and extending the strategic GI network. The Strategy also identifies green infrastructure opportunities for specific locations in the district including the main urban areas. The vision for GI is that by 2026 'the Council and its partners will have worked with the community to achieve a well-used, managed, connected and expanding network of Green Infrastructure which provides a wealth of benefits for people, place and nature'.
- 25.17 The GI Strategy identifies a number of priority geographical projects that can deliver across a range of GI benefits. It is intended that these will be worked up and validated with partners as part of the GI Strategy action plan. These projects are:
  - Wansdyke Heritage Greenway: an interpreted green corridor based around the remains of the Wansdyke
  - **Green Setting of Bath World Heritage Site**: to develop and deliver a joint management plan designed to protect and sustain the green setting and provide appropriate access within it for the local community and tourists
  - North-South Greenway: a green corridor linking Whitchurch in the north, southwards to the Somer Valley, largely following the line of the dismantled railway line
  - Bristol Bath Railway Path: coordinate management of the railway path to ensure it continues to provide a quality, multifunctional green corridor for both the community and wildlife
  - River Avon and Canal: to provide a framework to deliver the full green infrastructure benefits of this significant corridor
  - AONB Linkway: to strengthen the habitat and access connectivity between the Mendip Hills and southern part of the Cotswolds AONB

<sup>127</sup> http://www.ukabc.org/resources/publication/uk-abc-task-group-report-biodiversity-and-built-environment

<sup>128</sup> http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/sites/default/files/e2389-app.1 draft gi strategy 0.pdf

- **Restoring Priority Habitats**: to increase and then sustain coverage of priority habitat across the district, with a particular focus within Strategic Nature Areas (SNAs)
- **Protecting and sustaining ecological networks**: to develop an approach to identify and protect ecological networks to support land use planning and management decisions, including a working network map based on strategic nature areas, designated sites, wildlife corridors, priority habitats and other key features

Figure 45: B&NES Illustrative Green Infrastructure Network (B&NES Core Strategy)

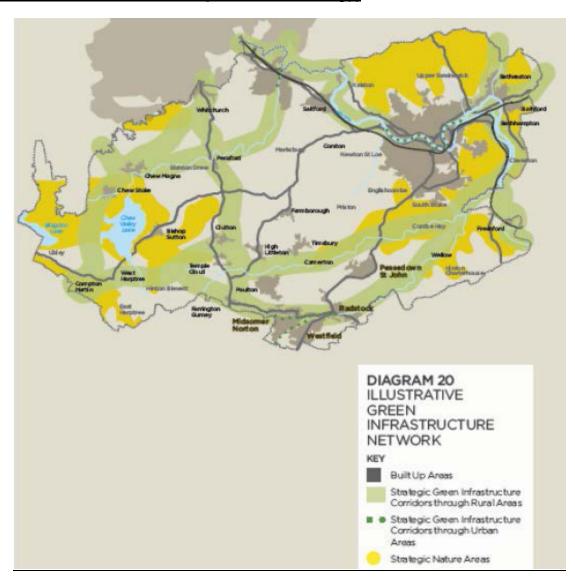
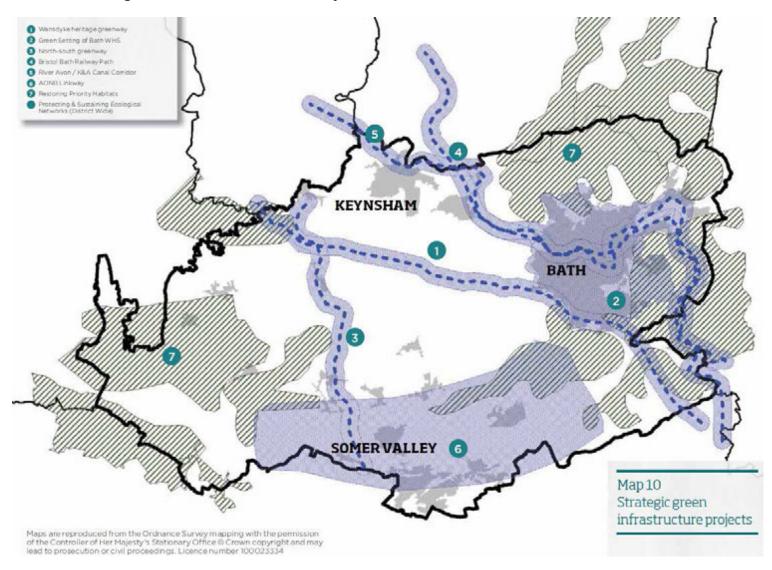


Figure 46: Identified Strategic Green Infrastructure Projects



25.18 The Core Strategy identifies the need for a whole river approach to realise the potential of the River Avon/Kennet and Avon canal corridor as a key multifunctional green corridor. It is anticipated that some of the other GI priorities/improvements highlighted in the Core Strategy will be delivered through other infrastructure schemes listed in the IDP. These include Midsomer Norton Town Park (MNRI.6); potential wetland habitat associated with flood defence (B I.2); green spaces (DWI.10) and various cycleway and footpath improvements (e.g. BI.11).

## 25.19 Potential funding sources include:

- Revised management regimes for Council owned land
- Partnership working with key land owners and managers
- Working with the voluntary and community sector
- External funding e.g. Heritage Lottery Fund for specific access, biodiversity or heritage/landscape projects.
- Developer contributions and Masterplan principles e.g. green corridor

Reference	Item	Status	Estimated Cost		Phasing		Policy Area
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	
<u>DWI.12</u>	Strategic Green Infrastructure	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
<u>DWI.35</u>	Infrastructure for local food growing, distribution and processing	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
<u>KI.8</u>	Green Infrastructure route along River Chew and River Avon corridor	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham

#### **NATIONAL**

26.1 Measurable standards for GI can provide both a starting point for the outcomes of plan policy and a clear framework to measure progress over time. Examples include *Natural England's Accessible Natural Greenspace Standards*<sup>129</sup>, the *Woodland Trust Woodland Access*Standards<sup>130</sup>, and *Design for Play*<sup>131</sup>. *DEFRA circular* 1/09<sup>132</sup> advises that in respect of public rights of way, alternative alignments within new developments should avoid use of estate roads and whenever possible give preference to the use of made-up estates paths through landscaped or open space areas away from vehicular traffic.

# Figure 47: Examples of Measurable Standards (TCPA)

#### Natural England Accessible Natural Greenspace Standards

- No person should live more than 300m from their nearest area of natural green space of at least 2ha in size
- At least 1ha of Local Nature Reserve should be provided per 1,000 population
- There should be at least one accessible 20ha green space within 2km from home
- There should be one accessible 100ha green space within 5 km
- There should be one accessible 500 ha green space within 10km

#### **Woodland Trust Access Standards**

- No person should live more than 500m from at least one area of accessible woodland of no less than 2ha in size
- There should also be at least one area of accessible woodland of no less than 20ha within 4km (8km round trip) of people's homes
- 26.2 The DCLG **Eco-towns supplement to former PPS1** 133 suggested that a principle of no net loss of GI could be used, with a general aim that a minimum of 40% of the total land should constitute GI (including private gardens and green roofs).
- 26.3 Allotments are required by statute. A minimum provision of 20 standard plots of 250sqm per 1,000 households is recommended 134.
- 26.4 DCLG released a guide in August 2011 outlining potential funding sources for community green spaces 135.

<sup>129</sup> http://publications.naturalenaland.ora.uk/publication/40004?category=47004

<sup>130</sup> http://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/SiteCollectionDocuments/pdf/spaceforpeople.pdf

<sup>131</sup> https://www.education.gov.uk/publications/eOrderingDownload/Design%20for%20Play.pdf

<sup>132</sup> http://www.defra.gov.uk/publications/2011/06/15/pb13553-row-circular-109/

<sup>133</sup> http://www.communities.gov.uk/documents/planningandbuilding/pdf/pps-ecotowns.pdf

<sup>134</sup> http://www.farmgarden.org.uk/

<sup>135</sup> http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/communities/greenspacefunding

#### LOCAL

- 26.5 The Council manages and maintains 50 hectares of formal parkland as well as 200 hectares of public open space, sports pitches and highway verges. Included within this are parks, recreation grounds and public open spaces, floral displays, allotments, trees, woodland and parks and open spaces events.
- 26.6 The Council's **Green Space Strategy** 136 (GSS) contains local provision standards and identifies deficits in green space. Future investment is needed as there is a general lack of allotments across the district with more localised shortages of natural space and to a lesser degree formal space. There is an aspiration by the Council to create a new publicly accessible Town Park in Midsomer Norton. The GSS suggests that to fully address the current deficiency the park would need to be a minimum of 11ha in size. The Local Plan allocates land along the Somer Valley between Midsomer Norton town centre and Radstock Road for this purpose, and this is included in the Core Strategy vision for the town
- 26.7 There are 42 allotment sites currently within B&NES. The Council is responsible for 23 sites in Bath. Outside Bath responsibility for allotments remains with other local bodies, such as Parish Councils. There are approximately 1,870 plots, but few vacancies. Saved Local Plan Policy CF.8 sets out the Council's approach to the retention and provision of new allotment sites.
- 26.8 The B&NES Draft *allotments strategy* <sup>137</sup> aims to maximise participation in allotment gardening. It recognises the importance of allotments as a leisure and recreational facility and for their benefits to communities, green spaces, health and well-being and wildlife, as well as producing low cost locally produced food in a sustainable way.
- 26.9 A requirement of the Somerdale redevelopment site in Keynsham will be to improve the value of the Hams in environmental, ecological and recreational terms. This will allow the Hams to provide open space, wildlife habitat, recreation, flood alleviation, visual amenity, and a landscape setting for the town.
- 26.10 **The Avon Wildlife Trust** 138 is the largest local charity working to protect wildlife in the West of England area. They currently look after 35 local nature reserves covering over 1,100ha. Within B&NES these include Chew Valley Lake, Burledge Hill, Folly Farm, Stephen's Vale and Bathampton Meadow.
- 26.11 **The Woodland Trust** promotes and facilitates delivery of new native woodland creation to underpin green infrastructure strategies to improve quality of life, health, biodiversity and landscape. They own and manage 8 woods located within BANES. Woodland can deliver a wide range of green infrastructure benefits, include for both landscape and biodiversity (helping habitats become more robust to adapt to climate change, buffering and extending fragmented ancient woodland), for quality of life and climate change (amenity & recreation, public health, flood amelioration, urban cooling) and for the local economy (timber and wood fuel markets). The indicative costs for creating new native

<sup>136</sup> http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/services/sport-leisure-and-parks/parks-information-and-maintenance/green-space-strategy

<sup>137</sup> http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s21926/Appdx1.pdf

<sup>138</sup> http://www.avonwildlifetrust.org.uk/index.htm

woodland will vary depending on site character, size and circumstances, but the following cost estimates per tree are: cost of tree and guard - £1.50; cost of planting - £1.00; cost of short term establishment - £0.25p. There are longer term maintenance costs.

Reference	ltem	Status	Estimated Cost		Phasing		Policy Area
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	
<u>DWI.10</u>	Green Space (Formal, Natural & Allotments)	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
<u>BI.3g</u>	New riverside park at Bath Western Riverside	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath
<u>Bl.6a</u>	Riverside enhancements as part of GDS.1/B16 Hilton Hotel / Podium / Cattlemarket site	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath
<u>BI.9c</u>	Green Infrastructure associated with MOD Foxhill site	Key	Not quantified		>	>	Bath
<u>BI.17</u>	Replacement of allotments at Southbourne Gardens, Fairfield Park	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath
<u>BI.20</u>	Riverside walkway enhancements associated with Avon Street Car and Coach Park redevelopment	Key	Not quantified			>	Bath
<u>BI.27d</u>	Green infrastructure at MOD Ensleigh site (including ecology)	Key	Not quantified		>	<b>√</b>	Bath
<u>BI.41c</u>	Green infrastructure at Odd Down Urban Extension (including ecology)	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath
<u>BI.33</u>	Walcot Riverside Walk	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath
MNRI.6	Midsomer Norton Town Park	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Somer Valley
<u>KI.4</u>	Enhance Keynsham Hams as a Wetland Habitat	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham
<u>KI.8</u>	Improvements to the Memorial Park	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham
<u>KI.20c</u>	Green infrastructure at East of Keynsham Urban Extension (including ecology)	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham

<u>KI.21c</u>	Green infrastructure at South of	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham
	Keynsham Urban Extension (including						
	ecology)						
<u>RI.14b</u>	Green infrastructure at Whitchurch Urban	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Rural areas
	Extension (including ecology)						

## **GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE: CANALS**

#### NATIONAL

27.1 On 2 July 2012, British Waterways was replaced by a new charity called the **Canal & River Trust**. The Government has committed to a long-term funding contract. The charity will also have new opportunities for growing income from voluntary giving, new commercial opportunities, efficiencies, and growth in volunteering.

#### LOCAL

- 27.2 The **Canal & River Trust** owns and maintains the Kennet & Avon Canal and associated structures such as culverts and feeder channels, bridges and aqueducts, locks and weirs as it runs through B&NES, as well as acting as Navigation Authority for some sections of the River Avon in the area. The canal was completed in 1810, and following subsequent dilapidation in the 1960s has been restored, and reopened in 1990. The canal is 87 miles long in total (of which 16.2 miles runs through B&NES), connecting Bath to Reading.
- 27.3 The Government recognises the multi-functional role of waterways and the need to maintain and improve the quality of the waterway resource and infrastructure if the public benefits delivered are to be maintained and grown. No large scale new infrastructure is required to meet increased population numbers. However, the canal is in constant need of maintenance to remain at a steady operational state.

Reference	Item	Status	Estimated Cost	Phasing			Policy Area
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	
<u>DWI.36</u>	Kennet & Avon Canal Infrastructure	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide

## **GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE: SPORT & RECREATION**

#### LOCAL

- 28.1 The Council manages 124 football pitches, 42 cricket pitches and 62 Rugby pitches. The *Playing Pitch Strategy* makes the following projections to 2021:
  - Football pitches: surplus of senior pitches (40), deficit of junior (22) and mini (26) pitches; 21 sites are rated as poor/below quality. Six clubs have expressed latent demand; this equates to a requirement for an additional 2 senior and 2 junior pitches. The surplus should be considered in the context of its potential contribution to addressing the deficit
  - Cricket pitches: deficit of 4.8 pitches
  - Rugby pitches: surplus of senior pitches (31.2), deficit of junior (19.4) and mini (0.8) pitches; Five sites are overplayed on a weekly basis. Future Team Generation Rates indicate there will be an additional 7.7 teams across the Area over the next few years. A further four pitches are needed to accommodate this growth. A surplus of senior pitches in the Area is anticipated alongside a deficit of junior and mini rugby pitches. The overall demand/deficit for pitches is likely to be offset by the surplus of senior pitches
- 28.2 Current provision at the 'Fry's Club' site at Somerdale will be safeguarded to cater for the increased demand resulting from housing development and increased participation. This will include increased/improved changing accommodation.

Reference	ltem	Status	Estimated Cost		Phasing		
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	
<u>DWI.9</u>	Playing Pitches	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
<u>BI.27e</u>	Replacement of sports pitches at MOD	Key	Not quantified		>	✓	Bath
	Ensleigh site						

## **GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE: PLAY**

#### LOCAL

- 29.1 £296,875 of Lottery funding was secured in 2007 to provide children between 5 and 16 in the district with free play opportunities (2008-2011). The Council Play Policy<sup>139</sup> (1999) and **Play Strategy** (2006) prioritise play provision for all children in the district. The Council has funded free play provision for 5-16 year olds in the district since 2000 and the post of Strategic Development Officer for Play. The 2007 Lottery funding was secured to extend play services in areas of deprivation.
- 29.2 In 2009 Bath & North East Somerset Council was awarded £2.5m from the Department of Children, Schools and Families (DCSF) to develop and renew 31 play spaces in the area, as part of the "*Play Pathfinder*" Programme<sup>140</sup>. Included within this is the development of a new adventure play park and skate park in Midsomer Norton.
- 29.3 Further investment will be needed over the plan period, including the provision of new facilities to support new development. From April 2011 revenue funding available will be 63% less than in previous years due to Lottery and Pathfinder funding ending.

Reference	ltem	Status	<b>Estimated Cost</b>	Phasing			Policy Area
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	
<u>DWI.11</u>	Children's Play areas	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide

<sup>139</sup> http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/services/children-young-people-and-families/childcare-early-years-play/play

<sup>140</sup> http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/Data/Children%20and%20Young%20People%20Overview%20and%20Scrutiny%20Panel/20090126/Agenda/10zAppdx1.pdf

# **PUBLIC REALM**

## LOCAL

- 30.1 The Council is responsible for maintaining adopted roads and pavements together with street lighting, signage and street furniture. The upgrade of the public realm has a role to play in the continuing development of the economy and the image of the place.
- 30.2 Public realm improvements are required to Keynsham High Street, particularly at:
  - Junction of Bath Hill and High Street containing a new public space replacing the current public space in front of the Town Hall following redevelopment.
  - Space in front of St. John's church
  - Junction of High Street and Charlton Road
- 30.3 Also required within Keynsham is the enhancement/creation of network of pedestrian routes between High Street, Temple Street, the Memorial Park entrance and the river, and Bath Hill East car park. Improved disabled access to shops should also be provided in any public realm improvements.

Reference	Item	Status	Estimated Cost	Phasing			Policy Area
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	
<u>DWI.18</u>	Public Realm & Movement Programme	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
<u>BI.3f</u>	Enhanced pedestrian facilities, new paths and cycleways at Bath Western Riverside	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath
<u>BI.10b</u>	Provision of a significant new public space at Manvers Street	Desirable	Not quantified		<b>√</b>		Bath
<u>BI.37</u>	Orange Grove Public Realm Improvements	Desirable	£2,000,000	>	>	>	Bath
<u>MNRI.28</u>	Midsomer Norton High Street Public Realm Improvements	Desirable	£2,000,000	>	>	>	Somer Valley
<u>KI.12</u>	Town Centre and Somerdale Public Realm Improvements	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham

#### LEISURE & BUILT SPORTS FACILITIES

#### LOCAL

- 31.1 The Council provides numerous recreational, cultural, leisure and arts facilities throughout the district. In addition to this there are a number of private facilities such as the Bath Rugby Club at the Recreation Ground (the 'Rec') and Bath City FC. There are also a range of aspirations for a new multi-use stadium in Bath, the remodelling of the Forum as a concert hall and the upgrading of sports field changing facilities.
- 31.2 A PPG17 compliant study considering build facilities in the district has been undertaken which identifies the supply of facilities including synthetic turf pitches, multi-use halls, swimming pools, sports halls, tennis courts, bowling facilities, multi-use games areas, gyms, squash courts, golf courses, youth facilities, athletic tracks and recreation ground pavilions. Population based thresholds for new provision and deficits and supply are identified.
- 31.3 Bath Sports and Leisure Centre is located at Bath Recreation Ground (the 'Rec'). If the proposed redevelopment of the Rec(involving the provision of a new stadium for Bath Rugby Club) requires land currently occupied by Bath Sports and Leisure Centre, relocation/replacement of the Leisure Centre's facilities should be provided at the Rec or elsewhere within the City Centre, unless over supply can be demonstrated. In June 2011, the Trust consulted on a proposal which allowed the Rugby Club to remain at the Recreation Ground. It would be granted a new lease that would enable it to redevelop its stadium. This would include a temporary east stand and the rugby pitch would be available to the Trust during the summer months. The Club would pass its Lambridge training ground to the Trust as replacement land for the area that it occupied at the Recreation Ground. The consultation exercise showed there was strong support for this proposal. The Charity Commission has now published a draft Scheme which confers certain powers on the Trust. The Scheme permits the Trust to grant a new lease to the Rugby Club and receive the Lambridge site as replacement land. It also brings indoor recreation on the Leisure Centre land within the objects of the Trust. It will be for a new trustee body to take the decisions involved in implementing the proposal.
- 31.4 An additional 1.57 '4 badminton court sports halls' are identified as being required as well as an additional 1.06 25 metre swimming pools and 2 Synthetic Turf Pitches.

Reference	ltem	Status	Estimated	Phasing		Policy Area	
			Cost				
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	
<u>DWI.16</u>	Leisure & Culture	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
<u>DWI.17</u>	Built Sports Facilities	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
<u>Bl.12a</u>	Redevelopment of Bath Recreation ground	Desirable	Not quantified	✓			Bath
<u>BI.12b</u>	Bath Recreation ground river bridge	Desirable	£1,500,000	>	✓		Bath

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<u>BI.12c</u>	Bath Sports and Leisure Centre	Desirable	£8,000,000	>	>	>	Bath
<u>KI.23</u>	Keynsham Leisure Centre	Desirable	£6,000,000	>	>	>	Keynsham
	Redevelopment						

## **COMMUNITY FACILITIES: POLICE**

#### LOCAL

- 32.1 **Avon & Somerset Police Force** is one of the largest in England, policing a population of almost 1.6 million people, and in B&NES operates from stations in Bath, Keynsham and Radstock. There is also a neighbourhood centre in Twerton. The Central Bath station includes custody suites. The demand for policing is driven more by the level of crime than population growth per se. The force has developed an **Accommodation Project**<sup>141</sup> which commenced in 2009 to ensure that their estate is fit for purpose over the next 30 years. This will consolidate their estate, whilst providing the public with better access to services and better value for money. It will be funded mainly using PFI.
- 32.2 As part of this project a new *Police Custody and Crime Investigation Centre* will be opened in Keynsham comprising 48 cells and investigation and administration floorspace. This will involve removing a 12 cell unit from Bath (Manvers Street). Avon and Somerset Police Authority has been granted permission by the Home Office and the Treasury to appoint the Blue Light Partnership consortium as its private finance initiative partner to build and maintain the building for 25 years.
- 32.3 The **Avon and Somerset Police and Crime Panel** will be part of the new accountability arrangements for policing in the Avon and Somerset force area. It will monitor and scrutinise the performance of the new **Police and Crime Commissioner**, who was directly elected in November 2012 and will oversee policing in Somerset and the former County of Avon area. Together, they will replace the current Police Authority.
- 32.4 Consultation has taken place on the **Police and Crime Plan**<sup>142</sup>. One document will cover the force area and there will also be local plans for each of the Police Districts in the force area including B&NES.

Reference	ltem	Status	Estimated Cost	Phasing			Policy Area
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	
<u>DWI.23</u>	Police	Desirable	Not	✓			District Wide
			quantified				
<u>BI.10d</u>	Relocation of Manvers Street Police Station	Desirable	£3,000,000	✓			Bath

<sup>141</sup> http://www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/accommodation/index.aspx

<sup>142</sup> http://www.consultation.avonandsomerset.police.uk/aspola/plan-consultation-13-14/consult view

## **COMMUNITY FACILITIES: FIRE**

#### **NATIONAL**

#### **Primary legislation**

Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004<sup>143</sup>

Fire and Rescue Service (Emergencies) (England) Order 2007<sup>144</sup>

- 33.1 The Government has a responsibility to ensure that the public is adequately protected. The Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004 and Fire and Rescue Service (Emergencies) (England) Order 2007 provide fire and rescue authorities with mandatory functions in relation to fire and road traffic accidents, and in connection with key types of emergencies. The **Fire and Rescue National Framework** (July 2012) sets out the Government's priorities and objectives for fire and rescue authorities in England. These are to:
  - Identify and assess the full range of foreseeable fire and rescue related risks their areas face, make provision for prevention and protection activities and respond to incidents appropriately;
  - Work in partnership with their communities and a wide range of partners locally and nationally to deliver their service; and
  - Be accountable to communities for the service they provide.
- 33.2 Fire and rescue authorities are required to assess the risk of emergencies occurring and use this to inform contingency planning. To do this effectively, fire and rescue authorities are expected to assess their existing capability and identify any gaps as part of the integrated risk management process. The Fire and Rescue Strategic Resilience Board will consider any capability gaps identified. Final decisions on whether new capability is required will be for ministers to take, informed by recommendations made by the Fire and Rescue Strategic Resilience Board.
- 33.3 Capital grant was a new un-ring-fenced national funding stream in the Comprehensive Spending Review 2007 (from 2009-10) for fire and rescue authorities and was distributed in part according to population levels. This funding was introduced following the end of Private Finance Initiative funding. This is the only capital funding stream that is continuing. As part of the Spending Review 2010 DCLG secured capital grant funding for fire and rescue authorities in England of £70m per annum for 2011-12 and 2012-13. This was distributed by allocation of a fixed sum to every authority with the balance distributed according to population. Capital Grant funding is intended to be used to drive efficiency savings in the fire and rescue service at a time when there are significant cuts in resource funding. The Government have suggested that this funding should be invested in schemes that reduce fire and rescue authorities overheads, such as station refurbishment, more efficient estate management arrangements, relocation of headquarters or private communications networks<sup>146</sup>.
- 33.4 The Government is making available £81 million for local improvements- up to £1.8 million for each authority for plans to improve the resilience, efficiency and technology in their control services.

<sup>143</sup> http://www.leaislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2004/21/pdfs/ukpga 20040021 en.pdf

<sup>144</sup> http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2007/735/contents/made

<sup>145</sup> https://www.aov.uk/government/consultations/fire-and-rescue-national-framework-for-england-2

<sup>146</sup> http://www.communities.gov.uk/documents/fire/pdf/1986537.pdf

## **COMMUNITY FACILITIES: FIRE**

#### LOCAL

- 33.5 **Avon Fire & Rescue Service** covers the former Avon area. Within B&NES they have the following facilities: Bath, Keynsham, Paulton, Radstock and Chew Magna Fire Stations, Bath and Keynsham Community Safety Centres, and the Avon Fire Authority Command & Mobilising Centre at Lansdown, Bath. The service has a legal responsibility under the Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004 to promote fire safety, and attend fires and road traffic collisions for fire fighting and rescue purposes.
- 33.6 Avon Fire Authority was allocated £1,490,509 in capital grant allocation for 2011-12 and 2012-13. There is no indication at this stage what the capital grant will be after 2012/13.
- 33.7 Local standards set maximum response times for incidents, Cat A areas 8 mins. For 85% of incidents, Cat B areas 10 mins. For 90% of incidents and for Cat C areas 20 mins for 95% of incidents. The Fire Stations within B&NES must be located to best manage both the operational response risk and community risk. Increasing traffic congestion and potential development on the periphery of Bath is seen to interfere with the future efficient operation of the Bath station. Two new small stations could provide improved cover to Bath to replace Bath Fire Station (potentially in more peripheral locations) if funding allows. Keynsham Fire station meets the current and projected needs of the Fire and Rescue Service but a replacement station (could be relocated on the eastern side of Bristol or near Keynsham industrial estate) would be considered in support of the desire to redevelop Keynsham Town Centre.
- 33.8 In January 2012 Avon Fire and Rescue were amongst 23 bidders for government funds to improve their control centre. The government confirmed that funding has been set aside for Avon Fire and Rescue but that further work would be required before funding can be awarded. The aim is to conclude matters by the end of June 2012.

Reference	ltem	Status	Estimated Cost	Phasing			Policy Area
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	
<u>DWI.24</u>	Fire	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
<u>KI.14</u>	Relocation of the Fire Station	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Keynsham

## **COMMUNITY FACILITIES: AMBULANCE**

## LOCAL

- 34.1 The **Great Western Ambulance Service NHS Trust** (GWAS) provides emergency advice, care and treatment to the population of B&ENS, and the wider West of England, Wiltshire and Gloucestershire area. Within the district the service operates from ambulance stations in Bath, Keynsham and Paulton. In addition it makes use of standby points at St Martin's Hospital and Midsomer Norton. Response times are set for incidents, in order to improve response times the number of standby stations is being increased.
- 34.2 The existing ambulance station in Bath is in need of replacement as it is nearing the end of its economic life and is constrained in terms of meeting the requirements of modern ambulance vehicles. The current location is also not ideal as the area suffers from traffic congestion. Therefore the GWAS wish to consider a more peripheral location. The GWAS is currently undertaking a modelling exercise which will have implications for B&NES. The work will provide more detailed information relating to required future provisions such as ambulance "stand by points".

Reference	Item	Status	<b>Estimated Cost</b>		Phasing		
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	
<u>BI.22</u>	Relocation of Bath Ambulance Station	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	Bath

## **COMMUNITY FACILITIES: YOUTH SERVICES**

#### LOCAL

- 35.1 Youth Services provides Positive Activities and individual support for those more vulnerable young people aged 11 to 25 year olds focusing on young people aged 13-19. The Youth Service delivers these activities using qualified and experienced staff via 4 well-equipped Youth Hubs, one mobile youth bus, outreach and detached in the areas of the development.
- 35.2 The Youth Service received a grant from the Government of just over £2m to improve the facilities at Southside Youth Hub and the purchase of a new mobile youth bus. The challenge in the next 5 years will be to provide similar facilities and equipment at the other youth hubs in Radstock, Peasedown and Riverside in Bath. Discussions are already in place to consider how an injection of capital funding from another source could be added to an existing project to improve services. However there is no mainstream funding identified at present.
- 35.3 Youth work is part of community-based informal education provision, where young peoples' participation and active engagement within the wider community is an important aspect of informal education and youth work. The Council has a statutory duty to ensure the provision of Positive Activities for young people and the local delivery of youth work services. The legislation that supports youth work is described in detail in the Statutory Guidance in Section 507B **Education Act 1996**<sup>147</sup> published in March 2008. This statutory guidance sets out the requirements for Local Authorities to provide youth work in three areas: positive activities, decision making by young people and 14-19 learning.

Reference	Item	Status	<b>Estimated Cost</b>	Phasing			Policy Area
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	
<u>DWI.22</u>	Youth Services	Key	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide

<sup>147</sup> http://www.bamsley.gov.uk/media/1416454/DCSF%20-Statutory%20Guidance%20on%20Section%20507B%20Education%20Act.pdf

### **COMMUNITY FACILITIES: LIBRARIES**

#### **NATIONAL**

- 36.1 Libraries are a valued community resource and a focus for local activities and information. This role can be particularly important in areas where they are the only accessible public building or where they provide the only safe, neutral space for people to meet. Unlike many of the other services that are provided by councils, people use them mainly out of choice rather than necessity.
- 36.2 The Department for Culture, Media and Sport are responsible for national library policy. Library Standards to help define a "comprehensive and efficient" service were first introduced in 2001. They were revised periodically before being withdrawn altogether from April 2008 in line with the new performance framework for local government.
- 36.3 Central Government core funding for public libraries is paid for through the Local Government settlement, administered by CLG. It is not ring-fenced. Local authorities decide how to allocate core funding to public libraries in the light of their statutory duties and local priorities. Local authorities have a statutory duty to provide a "comprehensive and efficient library service" under the terms of the 1964 Public Libraries and Museums Act.

## LOCAL

- 36.4 There are currently 8 libraries within B&NES located in Bath (Central, Moorland Road and Weston), Keynsham, Midsomer Norton, Radstock, Paulton and Saltford. There is also a mobile library service. 65% of households within B&NES live within one mile of a static library, and 86% within two miles. Opening hours of the B&NES library service are 73 annual hours per 1,000 population, and they provide on average 3.7 electronic workstations per 10,000 population and 101.4 additional items per annum per 1,000 population.
- 36.5 The wards with statistically significant high numbers of frequent users are in the wards that reside in and around Central Bath which can be explained by their close proximity to Bath Central Library and the high number of students who also have access to large academic libraries. The majority of wards that have significantly low levels of frequent users are residents of the wards in rural hinterlands in western B&NES that are not in close proximity to branch libraries. The wards that are in exception to these rules are Twerton, and Odd Down, both of which are in wards near central Bath and have access to large branch libraries but have significantly low levels of frequent library users.
- 36.6 The Council adopted a **3 Year Service Plan** in April 2012<sup>149</sup>. The Council will provide, enable and support accessible library services, consisting of a free core services and embedded community based services. Under this plan community libraries will be supported, i.e. library collections in local community centres/village halls, managed by local groups/organisations which would receive support from the library service in the form of materials and targeted activities. 3 community libraries will be set up by March 2013 and further ones planned with local communities

<sup>148</sup> Cipfa 2010/11 figures

<sup>149</sup> http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s16349/E2380%20Library%20Plan%202012-15.pdf

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- in the following years. 'Library links' will also be set up in places such as post offices, village shops etc where reservations can be collected and returned.
- 36.7 Bath Central Library is currently located within the Podium site in the city centre. In the long term, the Council is interested in finding a new site within Bath. Until this happens the library will remain in its present location.
- 36.8 A new library in Keynsham is to be to be secured as part of the re-development of the Town Hall site. This will also include a new one-stop-shop for Council service users.
- 36.9 Plans are in place to relocate the library at Paulton to a new library/café/community resource within the Hillcourt Shopping Centre, called 'The Hub'. Capital funding to support this project has been secured and the project is on target to complete by March 2013.
- 36.10 Moorland Road, Weston, Saltford and Paulton libraries are at capacity.

Reference	Item	Status	<b>Estimated Cost</b>	Phasing			Policy Area
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	
<u>DWI.40</u>	Community Libraries and 'Library Links'	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide
<u>KI.10a</u>	New library and Council one-stop shop	Desirable	Not quantified	✓			Keynsham
<u>RI.1</u>	New library in Paulton	Desirable	£300,000	✓			Rural areas

## **COMMUNITY FACILITIES: PUBLIC TOILETS**

#### LOCAL

- 37.1 Toilets that are accessible by the general public are important to the well-being and development of an area. The Council has adopted a **Public Toilets Provision Strategy**<sup>150</sup> which recognises that local councils are no longer the only providers of toilet facilities and that other providers and options must be brought forward as there is little prospect of the Council being able to allocate any increase in capital or revenue funding to this non-statutory service.
- 37.2 The Council has a portfolio of mature public toilets which, while generally satisfying user basic needs historically, are not now all generally best equipped for current needs. Toilet facilities may be made available to the general public where the individual location access and circumstances allow, such as libraries, sports centres and ordinary council offices.
- 37.3 Many toilet facilities provided by commercial and retail businesses have been primarily or solely for use by customers in the past. Some larger shops in city and town centres understand that people come in to use the toilets and recognise that this may lead to people buying goods whilst inside. Out of town shopping centres and new mixed retail developments now generally make provision for toilet facilities for all visitors and cinema complexes provide toilet facilities. Bus and railway stations often provide toilet facilities as do many car parks.
- 37.4 Providing toilet facilities in separate buildings (and mainly by local councils), has been the model for many decades. This may still have a role in certain circumstances, where there are already facilities there and where a local community wants the facilities. However there may be increasing benefits from co-located provision in existing buildings wherever possible to reduce some of the negative aspects such as antisocial behaviour and vandalism and the associated costs. Alongside commercial providers in significant retail centres with extended opening hours and in entertainment venues and visitor attractions, the case for publicly accessible toilets in a wider variety of community buildings and service centres will become stronger, drawing in a wider range of potential partners to fund and manage them.
- 37.5 The strategy seeks to relieve Council budgetary pressure in this area by:
  - Developer funding towards major refurbishments of existing toilet facilities
  - Developer funding towards new sets of toilets in or near appropriate housing or commercial developments
  - Local partnership and sponsorship working with retail, hospitality and other businesses
  - Innovative solutions in joint arrangements with toilet industry providers
  - Business case-supported capital/revenue investment by the Council
  - Extended use of planning and licensing policies
- 37.6 Since 2004, approximately £470,000 has been spent on upgrading a number of the Council public conveniences by Property Services, mainly focussed on Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) compliance works which has been completed at most of them. Two Council public toilets are

http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s8803/Appx%201%20The%20Strategy.pdf

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programmed for DDA works in 2011/12 – Sydney Gardens, Bath and Ashton Way, Keynsham. Refurbishment and remodelling works are in progress at two locations this year – Gullocks Tyning, Midsomer Norton and Monksdale Road, Bath, part-funded by Aiming High for Disabled Children. Any new toilet provision, however it is to be delivered, needs to be demand-driven with the local community involved in the assessment and decision making.

Reference	Item	Status	Estimated Cost	Phasing			Policy Area
				11/12 to 15/16	16/17 to 20/21	21/22 to 25/26	
DWI.32	Public Toilet Provision	Desirable	Not quantified	>	>	>	District Wide

#### **NATIONAL**

#### **Primary legislation**

Telecommunications Act 1984<sup>151</sup>

Communications Act 2003<sup>152</sup>

#### Companies operating within B&NES

Numerous

- 38.1 The Government's ambition is to establish UK digital communications, consisting of both fixed-line and mobile networks including broadband and voice services, as amongst the most successful in the world.
- 38.2 The banner of telecommunications encompasses a range of services including television, radio, landline telephone, mobile telephone and internet. The telecommunications sector has two main overarching components, firstly direct infrastructure provision and connections and secondly delivery of services to consumers. Terrestrial networks such as landline telephone and broadband are most likely to be affected by construction activities:
  - Backbone infrastructure: The main trunk of the network from which connections will feed, of which there are three kinds. Firstly the BT national network of fibre and copper trunk lines. Secondly the national fibre network owned by Virgin Media and thirdly more national and more localised fibre networks owned by a number of companies. All the backbone infrastructure interconnects and companies send signals over each other's networks.
  - Connection infrastructure: There are a number of different types of connection from the backbone infrastructure to consumers. These consist of copper circuits for telephony and broadband through Asymmetric Digital Subscriber Line (ADSL), coaxial connections for telephony and broadband, wireless connections from local antennae and in some instances fibre connections are being provided for telephony and broadband.
- 38.3 Companies are able to offer services over the infrastructure, whether they own it or not. Some companies are able to restrict the use of their infrastructure, however, **Ofcom** guidance is for BT to provide open access for service providers and this is increasingly the principle by which other infrastructure connections operate.
- 38.4 In the residential and small business markets, BT provides telephony only and also broadband services over its copper connections. Other service providers also offer telephony and broadband services over BT's copper connections using ADSL. There is also a trend for people to use wireless connections for both broadband and telephony. In the larger commercial market the distinction between broadband and telephony is becoming blurred in terms of the connections which are generally fibre or wireless.

<sup>151</sup> http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1984/12

<sup>152</sup> http://www.leaislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2003/21/contents

38.5 The backbone infrastructure providers develop their networks in response to market demand, be that the quantity of traffic or sufficient scale new developments; they fund this provision. Where the scale of new development precludes the provision of backbone infrastructure then connections will be provided, if by no-one else by BT under their universal service obligation for telephony. On sites they will require provision of ducting for cables usually at the developers cost. Some companies charge consumers for the connection at a fixed rate (e.g. BT), others cover this cost through service agreements with the consumer or the service provider.

## Figure 47: Ofcom's communications infrastructure dashboard 2011

Network performance	
Fixed telephony	Performance in 2011
Coverage of fixed line telephony	100 per cent of premises
Fixed broadband	
Coverage of broadband at 2 megabits per second or more	86 per cent of existing connections
Coverage of Superfast broadband (24 megabits per second or more)	58 per cent of premises
Average fixed broadband modem sync speed (March 2011)	7.5 megabits per second
Mobile 2G (outdoor)	
Premises served by all operators	97 per cent of premises
Premises not served by any operator	less than 0.1 per cent of premises
Geographic area coverage by all operators	66 per cent of land area
Geographic area not served by any operator	6 per cent of land area
Mobile 3G (outdoor)	
Premises served by all operators	73 per cent of premises
Premises not served by any operator	1 per cent of premises
Geographic area coverage by all operators	13 per cent of land area
Geographic area not served by any operator	30 per cent of land area

## **Broadband**

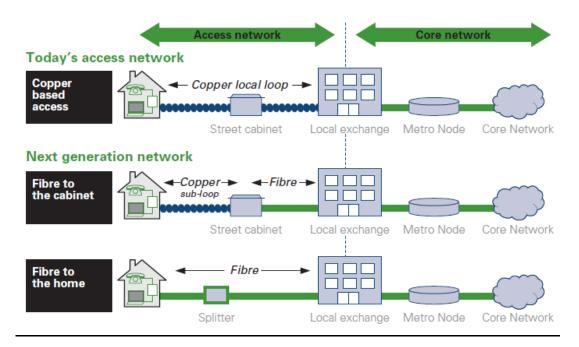
- 38.6 Broadband was only made available in 1990 and within a decade it has become viewed as a key utility like electricity upon which people's livelihoods and social interactions depend. There is strong evidence that access to technology and good connectivity allows businesses to grow at faster rates than those who do not and that educationally and socially life chances are improved. The UK has one of the highest levels of broadband penetration in the world (71% of UL households have broadband access). The UK's broadband coverage, speed and cost also compare well to Western European countries, but less so in comparison with Scandinavian and East Asian countries. Unlike landline telephone services, there is no right to broadband and provision to-date has been based on commercial criteria by the internet service providers (ISPs) who operate in a largely deregulated market geared to optimising choice and competitive pricing. The market is expected to provide superfast broadband to around two thirds of the country. For example, BT is investing £2.5billion in a fibre broadband rollout programme. However, a third of the country is not commercially attractive for the roll-out of superfast broadband. This tends to be more rural areas with lower population densities and greater distances from local exchanges.
- 38.7 The **Digital Britain Report** 153 made key recommendations to ensure that all parts of the UK have access to high speed broadband, in particular a Universal Service Commitment of 2Mbps to all premises by 2015. This was taken up by the Government, who stated that their vision for broadband is to ensure higher bandwidth and more reliable fixed broadband services for consumers and businesses. Specifically the aim is to have the best superfast broadband (defined as 24Mbps) network in Europe by 2015, taking into account coverage, speed, price and choice of broadband services, and to provide universal access to standard broadband with a speed of at least 2Mbps.
- 38.8 The Government believes it is essential the whole country share in the benefits of high-speed internet access and is investing £830 million by 2017 to bring superfast broadband to the third of UK homes and businesses that would otherwise miss out. 'Britain's Superfast Broadband Future 154' is a national action plan to stimulate private investment and competition, and create an environment in which business can flourish by removing key barriers around hardware and cutting costs, bringing superfast broadband to 90% of the population, led by Broadband Delivery UK (BDUK). The proposals include:
  - A 'digital hub' in every community with a high speed connection to the nearest exchange.
  - A mixed-technology approach with fixed, wireless and satellite all having a role.
  - Investing £50 million in a second wave of projects to test how the Government delivers this, overseen by Broadband Delivery UK within BIS
  - Ensuring access to existing infrastructure, including BT's network of ducts and poles
  - New guidance to builders and contractors on how to ensure new buildings are broadband-ready
  - Working with local authorities to reduce the cost of broadband rollout by clarifying existing guidance on street works and micro-trenching

<sup>153</sup> http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/+/http://www.culture.gov.uk/images/publications/diaitalbritain-finalreport-iun09.pdf

<sup>154</sup> http://www.culture.gov.uk/images/publications/britainsSuperfastBroadbandFuture.pdf

- 38.9 The **Rural Community Broadband Fund**<sup>155</sup> (funded by DEFRA and BDUK) is available to provide grants to communities to establish superfast broadband in the remaining 10% 'hard-to-reach' areas. This compliments the mainstream broadband rollout programmes being delivered by local authorities and BDUK.
- 38.10 Separately, the European Commission wants to see 100% access across Europe to at least 30 megabits per second by 2020, and for 50% of European citizens to subscribe to 100 megabits per second by the same timescale. This is a very ambitious target, but the Government intend to meet it by ensuring the right regulatory and policy conditions exist to allow the market to invest in superfast broadband networks.
- 38.11 Whilst the Government's strategy is technology neutral, the deployment of optical fibre deeper into the network (replacing the current copper wire network) is inevitable. Progress towards superfast provision requires new fibre in the local access network and the middle mile because copper can only carry superfast speeds over a short distance a kilometre or less. The current network architecture can be summarised in the diagram below:

Figure 48: Variations in Broadband Network Architecture (BIS/DCMS)



<sup>155</sup> http://rdpenetwork.defra.gov.uk/funding-sources/rural-community-broadband-fund

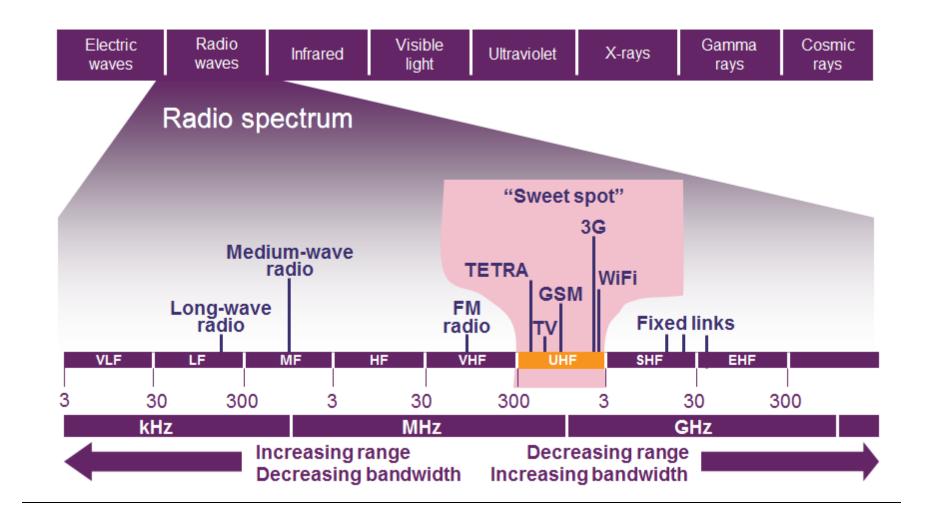
- 38.12 BT has committed to delivering 'fibre to the cabinet technology' to 65% of the country by 2015, focusing on urban areas which are more densely populated and commercially attractive.
- 38.13 Fixed broadband investment has been included in the National Infrastructure Plan as a nationally significant priority infrastructure scheme.
- 38.14 DCMS announced (September 2012<sup>156</sup>) that they will legislate and/or use existing powers to ensure for the next five years that broadband street cabinets can be installed in any location other than a SSSI without the need for prior approval from the local Council and without any conditions being placed upon the construction or design by local authorities except in exceptional circumstances; and overhead broadband lines can be installed in any area without the need for planning or other permission.

## **Mobile Broadband**

- 38.15 The Government's vision for mobile broadband is to ensure good coverage of high-quality, high-speed broadband to mobile devices. The UK has one of the highest take-up rates of mobile broadband in the world.
- 38.16 Mobile telephony is a largely deregulated market in the UK, and in most cases the market will be best placed to confront future challenges and deliver for consumers and businesses. Mobile operators can therefore make a commercial decision as to where to seek to build base stations to provide their service. 4G will help operators to accommodate the growth in "bandwidth hungry" smartphones and tablet computers. The 4G mobile auction and rollout is one of the 40 priority infrastructure investments identified in the National Infrastructure Plan. It was successfully completed and in March 2013 licences were awarded to 5 companies. Total proceeds from the auction were £2.3bn.

<sup>156</sup> http://www.culture.gov.uk/news/media releases/9331.aspx

Figure 49: Uses of Spectrum (source: Ofcom)



- 38.17 Coverage conditions have been applied to licences for operators over the years to ensure a basic network. For 2G (2nd generation technology voice and text) or GSM networks the original coverage conditions were discharged many years ago and have been significantly exceeded on a voluntary basis. For 3G (3rd generation technology, voice, text and internet) networks, an 80% population coverage was placed on each licence holder to encourage network roll-out which could equate to approximately 45% land area coverage averaged over the whole of the UK. Ofcom's latest research on the UK mobile market has lead it to declare that currently mobile markets are serving UK citizens and consumers well and competition between mobile operators is driving this success<sup>157</sup>.
- 38.18 On 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2011 the Chancellor announced that the Government will invest up to £150 million to improve mobile coverage in the UK<sup>158</sup>. This investment, called the **Mobile Infrastructure Project** (MIP) will improve the coverage and quality of mobile services for the 5 to 10 per cent of consumers and businesses that live and work in areas of the UK where existing mobile coverage is poor or non-existent. The Government will aim to extend mobile service coverage to 99 per cent of the UK population. Arqiva have been appointed by the Government to deliver the project. The implementation phase will cover the selection of sites and installation of the necessary infrastructure. DCMS funding will cover the capital cost requirements to build the masts; operating costs will be the responsibility of the supplier. It is expected that an announcement will be made on which locations will benefit from improved mobile coverage in summer 2013<sup>159</sup>.

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- 38.19 The **Smart Economic Growth for B&NES**<sup>160</sup> study states that provision of future-proofed broadband and band width, especially in those areas designated as key employment development sites, will be crucial to attracting higher value-added businesses in the sectors being targeted by the Council.
- 38.20 The private sector is providing high speed fibre broadband (up to 24Mbps) to much of the district on a commercial basis. BT has made this available to more than 46,000 (around 56% of the B&NES total) homes and businesses in Bath, Midsomer Norton and Radstock. The Keynsham and Combe Down exchanges are scheduled to be upgraded during 2013, which will increase this figure to 57,000 homes and businesses with access to high speed fibre broadband.
- 38.21 Other, often more rural, parts of the district have poor access to reliable broadband and suffer very low connectivity speeds, often below the Universal Service Commitment of 2Mbps. The **Connecting Devon and Somerset** programme (CDS)<sup>161</sup>, led by Devon County Council and Somerset County Council, aims to provide 100% broadband coverage, aimed at areas not covered by the private sector roll-out of superfast

<sup>157</sup> http://stakeholders.ofcom.org.uk/consultations/msa/statement/

<sup>158</sup> http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/press 112 11.htm

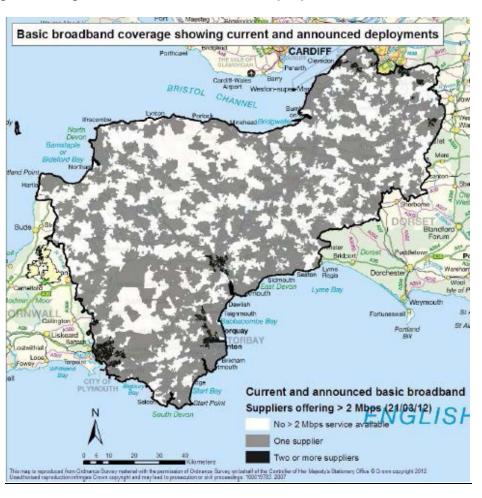
<sup>159</sup> https://www.gov.uk/government/news/mobile-coverage-in-rural-areas-set-to-improve

<sup>160</sup> http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s2796/E2195%20Smart%20Economic%20Growth.pdf

<sup>161</sup> http://www.connectingdevonandsomerset.co.uk/

broadband. B&NES is part of the joint programme which has secured a total of £53m of public sector investment (including funds from the BDUK Broadband Delivery Programme) to fund the gap in provision.

Figure 50: Basic broadband coverage showing current and announced deployments



- 38.22 On January 29<sup>th</sup> 2013 Connecting Devon and Somerset signed a contract with BT<sup>162</sup> which aims to deliver high-speed fibre broadband to 90% of premises by 2016 and to ensure a minimum of 2Mbps speed for all. Surveying work has begun and the first locations to be upgraded will be announced in spring 2013. Most of the programme area will receive Fibre to the Cabinet. Fibre to the Premises will also be available in certain areas.
- 38.23 From spring 2013 BT will also make Fibre to the Premises commercially available on demand in any area where fibre broadband has been deployed, should local businesses want this.

Reference	ltem	Status	Estimated Cost		Phasing		Policy Area
				11/12 to 15/16	to	21/22 to 25/26	
<u>DWI.31a</u>	Broadband Improvements	Desirable	£ 2,724,000	>	✓		District Wide
DWI.31b	SMART City Infrastructure (Bath), and District Wide, including NGA (Next Generation Access) communications networks.	Key	c.£5,000,000	>	<b>√</b>		District Wide

<sup>162</sup> http://www.connectingdevonandsomerset.co.uk/latest-news/cds-signs-contract-with-bt/

# PART THREE: DETAILED SCHEDULE Detailed Schedule of Infrastructure Projects

The table below outlines the infrastructure categories including in the subsequent tables.

Category	Description
Infrastructure item name	These descriptors (infrastructure code and name) are reflected in the Core Strategy to refer to specific infrastructure item names.
Infrastructure category	Identifies the infrastructure category that the item is within e.g. Transport, Green Infrastructure etc
Infrastructure item status	Key infrastructure items are those which are significant in terms of the delivery of the vision for the area, without which development would struggle to come forward. If these do not come forward alternative means of providing for the infrastructure need will need to be met. These items should be have an evidence base and should be well defined projects with either funding allocated or in advanced stages of securing funding. These key items also include infrastructure that is necessary to facilitate the development of sites. Desirable infrastructure items are those which are considered to be important items, but which at this time are not able to be sufficiently evidenced or justified as key infrastructure items. These reflect projects that need to be further scoped, developed and funded.
Cost	Where identified costs of infrastructure provision are included where known; in some cases it is too early to quantify costs.
SHLAA Reference	Reference has been made to the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) where infrastructure items are relevant to the delivery of individual sites contained within that document. Where this is the case the reference code has been given.
Funding	Details of funding sources are included where costs are specified or potential funding streams identified e.g. funding sources or bodies.
Phasing	Commentary on the phasing of the infrastructure item where known is included, particularly where this relates to funding streams or programmes that have specific phases. This has been colour coded which is explained in the key below.
Risks	Risks associated with the delivery of the infrastructure item are included, for example issues to be resolved or potential reasons for the infrastructure item not being deliverable.
Contingencies	In line with PPS12 this explains what alternatives to the provision of the infrastructure item exist or have been considered. This is particularly necessary where the provision of infrastructure items is uncertain.
Lead Agencies	Lead agencies in the delivery of the infrastructure item are listed.
Relevant Policy areas	To relate the infrastructure items back to the place based approach in the Core Strategy the infrastructure items have been listed by location i.e. District Wide; Bath; Keynsham; Midsomer Norton & Radstock; Rural Areas.
Evidence	This refers to key evidence of plans of the Council or Infrastructure Providers upon which the inclusion of the infrastructure item is based.

## Phasing Key:

Complete	Committed / funding mechanism in place	Uncertain	Longer term / aspiration	√: Expected scheme completion	>: Scheme on-going
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## **District Wide**

## DWI.1 Direct Public Investment in Affordable Housing Category: Affordable Housing

The Core Strategy includes an affordable housing policy which will seek a proportion of housing delivery to be provided as affordable housing either on site or as a commuted sum contribution for smaller sites. However, in addition to this policy direct public investment is key to help to meet the acute housing need.

Cost: £10m HCA funding

#### **Potential Funding Sources:**

Direct Public Investment from HCA: The West of England Single Conversation: Development Infra-structure and Investment Plan describes the priorities for growth and development. It is aligned with the Core Strategy trajectory for housing delivery, and directs and informs the requirement for HCA investment. The Coalition Government has announced £4.5bn as the national investment budget for affordable housing delivery for the next four years (2011-15). The HCA has agreed a £10m contract with Somer Housing Group to deliver 171 new affordable homes within B&NES.

To augment the much reduced level of public investment, Housing Associations (Registered Providers) will introduce from April 2011 Affordable Rented tenancies – these offer property at below market rents but will generate higher revenue to fund future capital investment into affordable housing.

#### Risks:

## Contingencies:

This funding is Key to help address the acute affordable housing need in the district. However, the Core Strategy policy for affordable housing assumes a grant free policy position, which should lead to the significant delivery of affordable housing alongside market housing by the private sector.

#### Evidence:

Single Conversation: West of England Delivery & Infrastructure Investment Plan (2010) p5; B&NES Viability Study (2010); West of England Strategic Housing Market Assessment (2009):

HCA Investment Allocations Reports (Dec 2010 onwards);

Evidence gathering for IDP (Strategic Housing Development Team)

**HCA Affordable Homes Programme:** 

http://www.homesandcommunities.co.uk/news/west-england-and-wiltshire-gain-hundreds-affordable-homes

Phasing:			
2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/21	2021/22-2025/26	
➤ HCA Investment period 2010-2015	➤Potential for \$106: Site specific infrastructure	➤ Potential for \$106: Site specific infrastructure	

Status: Kev

	infrastructure		infrastructure
Relevant policy areas:		Lead Agencies:	
District-wide		Autho	of England rities; HCA; Strategic ng Association

#### DWI.2a Residual and other waste treatment facilities

**Category: Waste** 

Status: Key

The Joint Waste Core Strategy aims to minimise waste and maximise self-containment within the West of England. It includes a spatial strategy for the provision of residual waste facilities. Two strategic sites are identified for residual waste treatment within B&NES: Broadmead Lane, Keynsham and Former Fuller's Earth Works, Odd Down in Bath. These are likely to come forward for development led by the private sector and / or the waste industry. These companies would provide the facility and charge gate fees for receiving and treating waste, which could include commercial and industrial waste from businesses.

Some types of treatment facilities for residual waste and other segregated waste streams such as food waste, including from businesses, restaurants, catering companies etc, may also be proposed by a range of developers in combination with renewable energy supply proposals.

It is expected that residual waste facilities will be funded by private operators.

See also BI.13 and KI.15

#### Cost: Not quantified

## **Potential Funding Sources:**

- Private sector/waste industry led
- Partnership developments
- Green Investment Bank

**Risks:** Developers for allocated sites may not come forward. Lack of accessible facilities for waste collection companies and businesses could lead to an increase in fly-tipping.

Contingencies: Delivery issues and contingencies considered as part of the Joint Waste Core Strategy.

#### **Evidence:**

- Joint Waste Core Strategy (West of England, 2010)
- Evidence gathering for IDP (Waste Services)
- Joint Residual Municipal Waste Management Strategy (West of England 2008)
- B&NES Waste Strategy (2005) Towards Zero Waste 2020

Phasing				
2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/		/21	2021/22-2025/26	
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Relevant policy areas:		Lead Agencies:		
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		Private sector / waste		
District-wide		industry / renewable		
		energy companies		

## DWI.2b Council/Public Waste & Recycling Facilities

**Category: Waste** 

Status: Key

Council-owned waste assets in the district are significant to fulfil its legal (WDA/WCA) responsibilities (the Council has a statutory duty to provide recycling facilities for local residents). These assets include three public recycling centres, collection depots and waste transfer sites. The current trend is for decreasing total household waste; however an increase in house-building and an upturn in the economy could cause this to change upwards. Existing public household waste recycling centres may require redevelopment or upgrading to cope with increased levels and different types of waste, or new facilities may be needed to increase accessibility across the district. This could be due to major housing developments within B&NES or in close proximity across a neighbouring authority border.

Cost: Not quantified

## **Potential Funding Sources:**

- Housing developer contributions
- Partnership developments with the private sector / waste industry
- Green Investment Bank
- Alternative funding sources to be identified

**Risks:** Lack of accessible facilities for the public could lead to an increase in fly-tipping. Restricted capacity to provide recycling facilities could mean higher landfill disposal costs, primarily through Landfill Tax.

**Contingencies:** There is limited space to increase the range of materials collected for recycling (and so diverting waste from landfill) or to increase the throughput of cars and trailers within the existing sites' constraints.

#### **Evidence:**

- B&NES Waste Strategy (2005) Towards Zero Waste 2020
- Joint Waste Core Strategy (West of England, 2010)
- Evidence gathering for IDP (Waste Services)
- Joint Residual Municipal Waste Management Strategy (West of England 2008)

Phasing		
2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/21	2021/22-2025/26
>	>	>

Relevant policy areas:	Lead Agencies:
	Council
District-wide	Commercial/housing
	developers

## DWI.3a Early Years Category: Status: Key Education

The need for provision for early years is informed by the *B&NES Childcare Sufficiency Report*. This concluded that the local area has a larger than national average number of private and voluntary providers, the number of children requiring childcare and the number of childcare places being provided is in a constant state of flux, and that the most popular form of childcare continues to be family members. It is expected that delivery of future provision will be through the Private, Voluntary or Independent (PVI) sectors with the Council only being a provider of last resort.

Much of the capital work carried out by the Council during the last 10 years was as a result of funding received from the Department for Education. Following the change of Government to the Coalition and the current spending round announcements from 2011-2013 there is no capital funding coming to the service from this source.

At Midsomer Norton & Radstock and in rural areas there is considered to be greater capacity for existing early years facilities to accommodate growth utilising developer contributions to add extra capacity. This is due to both the lower levels of growth anticipated and the greater potential for extension or expansion of existing facilities.

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Cost:	Potential Funding Sources:	
Not quantified	<ul> <li>Section 106 capital in development areas where there is a childcare shortfall (required by</li> </ul>	
	planning obligations SPD until 2014/adoption of CIL	
	No central government capital funding during 2011-2013	
	<ul> <li>Private, Voluntary or Independent (PVI) sectors expected to provide future provision</li> </ul>	

Risks: Current planning obligations regime will end in 2014/on adoption of CIL.

Changes in government policy could change the way in which education is delivered.

## **Contingencies:**

There is a statutory obligation on the Council to ensure sufficiency of early years provision. There could be some phasing options around the delivery of facilities.

#### **Evidence:**

Evidence gathering for IDP (Local Education Authority)

B&NES Childcare Sufficiency Report (Children's Services) for early years:

http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/SiteCollectionDocuments/Education%20and%20Learning/Family%20Information%20Service/CSA%202011%20Final%20Report%20JAN%202011.pdt

Phasing:				
2011/12-	2016/17-	2021/22-		
2015/16	2020/21	2025/26		
➤ Section	<b>≻</b> Potential	➤ Potential		
106 capital	for CIL	for CIL capital		
until 2014	capital			

Relevant policy	Lead Agencies:
areas:	
	LEA; Developers /
District-wide	Landowners;
	Private, Voluntary
	or Independent
	(PVI) sectors

### **DWI.3b Primary Education**

**Category: Education** 

**Status: Key** 

A review of primary schools within Bath has been completed. The need generated by allocated sites and sites with planning permission has been taken into account (e.g. for Bath Western Riverside the trigger points at which a new primary school are required are established).

## **Future Development**

The majority of existing primary schools are at or heading towards capacity and it is anticipated that there will be minimal or nil surplus capacity to absorb primary age children generated from new housing development in the near future and therefore developer contributions will be required to accommodate them.

The growing primary age population is anticipated to reach the first year of secondary school in 2017/18 resulting in a marked increase in secondary school age pupils at this time.

Whilst growth in all age ranges is anticipated over the plan period, the most significant impact will be for the age range entering primary school.

At Midsomer Norton & Radstock and in rural areas there is considered to be greater scope for existing primary schools facilities to accommodate growth utilising developer contributions to add extra capacity. This is due to both the lower levels of growth anticipated and the greater potential for extension or expansion of existing facilities. However, this is dependent on where development is located; a new site(s) for a primary school(s) may be needed if an alternative solution cannot be found.

In other parts of the Authority such as Bath and Keynsham, this is not the case and whole new primary schools on new sites will be required.

**Cost:** dependent on delivery strategy and phasing. Smaller extensions as per B&NES Planning Obligations SPD, whole new facilities more costly.

## **Potential Funding Sources:**

Developer contributions required by SPD until 2014/introduction of CIL

Risks: Current planning obligations regime will end in 2014/on adoption of CIL.

Changes in government policy could change the way in which education is delivered.

**Contingencies:** There is a statutory obligation to provide sufficient primary school places. There could be some phasing options around the delivery of facilities.

#### **Evidence:**

Evidence gathering for IDP (Local Education Authority)
BB&NES Primary School Review (Overview & Scrutiny Panel) 25 Jan 2010
B&NES Primary and Secondary School Organisation Plan 2011-2015

Phasing:				
2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21		2021/22-2025/26		
➤ Section 106	➤Potential for CIL		➤Potential for CIL	
capital until 2014	capital		capital	
Relevant policy areas:		Lead	Agencies:	

Relevant policy areas:	Lead Agencies:
District-wide	Local Education Authority;
	Developers/Landowners

## DWI.3c Secondary and Sixth Form Education

**Category: Education** 

Status: Key

In Bath, current projections indicate that there will be sufficient secondary and sixth form capacity available for a number of years to accommodate pupils generated by the housing development planned for the city as outlined in the Core Strategy. The availability of existing capacity will continue to be monitored and should it be necessary to provide additional secondary school or sixth form provision in the future, this is likely to be provided via the use of developer contributions to expand existing schools and facilities.

In Keynsham, based on current projections, any secondary age pupils generated by planned housing development as outlined in the Core Strategy that falls within the Broadlands School catchment area should be able to take up existing capacity within this school which currently has a high number of pupils on roll from outside the Local Authority area. For any development within the Wellsway School catchment, this school is close to capacity, so contributions are likely to be required to expand capacity on site.

In Midsomer Norton & Radstock and in rural areas there is expected to be sufficient available secondary and sixth form capacity to accommodate pupils expected to be generated by the housing development planned for these areas as outlined in the Core Strategy. As with Bath, the level of this availability will continue to be monitored and if additional accommodation was to be required in the future, this would be provided via the use of developer contributions to expand existing schools.

**Cost:** dependent on delivery strategy and phasing. Smaller extensions as per B&NES Planning Obligations SPD, whole new facilities more costly.

**Potential Funding Sources:** 

Developer contributions

Risks: Changes in government policy could change the way in which education is delivered.

**Contingencies:** There is a statutory obligation to provide sufficient secondary school places. There could be some phasing options around the delivery of facilities.

#### **Evidence:**

Evidence gathering for IDP (Local Education Authority)
B&NES Secondary Schools Reorganisation 2006-2010
B&NES Primary and Secondary School Organisation Plan 2011-2015

Phasing:			
2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/21	2021/22-2025/26	
➤ Section 106	➤ Potential for CIL	➤ Potential for CIL	
capital until 2014	capital	capital	

Relevant policy areas:	Lead Agencies:
District-wide	Local Education Authority;
	Developers/Landowners

DWI.4 Acute Care Category: Health Status: Key

The Royal United Hospital NHS Trust in Bath provides acute treatment and care for a catchment population of 500,000 in Bath and the surrounding towns and countryside of North East Somerset and Western Wiltshire. Acute care is focused on the young and old and therefore the demographic profile of the population has a greater influence on the demand for services than the total number. Locally it is these two age groups that are expected to grow.

The RUH has a five year plan which will see out-dated buildings replaced by new facilities. These will include a new oncology out-patients department and ward, linear accelerator simulator suit, pharmacy, pain clinic, cancer services department, patient affairs, therapies unit, medical physics, nuclear medicine department, discharge centre, staff facilities, chemotherapy and day cases accommodation, medical records and IT services, laboratories, mortuary, car parking and landscaping.

#### Cost:

£38.752m for RUH redevelopment

## **Potential Funding Sources:**

- Redevelopment plan approved by RUH board
- Department of Health grants
- An element of charity fundraising for cancer unit

Risks: Risk that capital funding is not secured from Department of Health to improve facilities.

#### **Contingencies:**

#### **Evidence:**

Evidence gathering for IDP (Royal United Hospital NHS Trust)

No specific issues raised in relation to primary care provision (GPs/Dentists/Health Centres) as part of the evidence gathering process for the IDP (B&NES PCT)

Bath Chronicle article 16/6/11: http://www.thisisbath.co.uk/pound-40m-RUH-facelift-

boost-cancer-services/story-12782522-detail/story.html

RUH Strategic Direction 2009-2013:

http://www.ruh.nhs.uk/about/business plan/documents/RUH Strategic Direction 2009-2013.pdf

RUH Estates Strategy Update March 2012:

http://www.ruh.nhs.uk/about/trustboard/2012 03/documents/10.pdf

Phasing						
2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020	/21	2021/22-2025/26			
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Relevant policy area	s:	Lead Agencies:				
District Wide			rtment of Health HS Trust			

#### **DWI.5 Power Generation & Distribution**

**Category: Energy** 

**Status: Key** 

A large number of companies are involved in the generation of electricity using nuclear, coal, gas and wind power etc.

The UK extra high-voltage grid (275kVand 400kV) is owned and operated by the National Grid Electricity Transmission NGET has the responsibility for balancing supply and demand to maintain operation of the country's network.

Western Power Distribution (South West) Plc is the licensed electricity distribution network operator (DNO) within B&NES, distributing electricity from the national grid to consumers. They own the network and power distribution system, are responsible for the maintenance, repair, reinforcement of the network to cope with changing patterns of demand and extending the network to connect new customers.

The distribution functions are regulated monopolies where Ofgem regulates distribution prices. General income and levels of investment are agreed with Ofgem on a 5 year cycle, based on historic trends and major known future developments. Connection charges are made in accordance with their published charging statement, which requires developers to fully contribute to the network being installed for their sole use and disproportionately contributing to shared network reinforcement. Whilst DNOs could plan over a longer term they will only install infrastructure as developers apply for connection as this is the main funding mechanism.

National Grid has no high voltage electricity overhead transmission lines / underground cables within B&NES and no future planned works for this area at present. Upgrade of National Grid to enable renewable sources to connect when required.

Western Power Distribution confirms that overall the existing distribution network within B&NES is robust and capable of accommodating moderate incremental load. Specific reinforcement of the network is determined on a case by case basis and is predominantly customer driven to supply new residential, commercial or industrial developments. Western Power Distribution also maintains the long-term aspiration of increasing the nominal voltage level of the Bath distribution network from the existing level of 6,600V to 11,000V. This will have the effect of significantly increasing the capacity of the HV network but will require extensive investment and infrastructure works.

Cost: not auantified

## **Potential Funding Sources:**

- Private sector funded
- Western Power Distribution (South West) Plc
- Additional costs may fall to developers where larger points of growth.

Risks: Lack of capacity could act as a constraint to development particularly in central Bath and the river corridor where larger points of growth.

#### Contingencies:

#### **Evidence:**

Evidence gathering for the IDP (WPDSW & National Grid) Western Power Distribution Investment Planning – Bristol IDP

## Phasing:

 2011/12-2015/16
 2016/17-2020/21
 2021/22-2025/26

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Relevant policy areas:

District wide

**Lead Agencies:** 

Western Power Distribution (South West) Plc National Grid DWI.6 Gas Supply Category: Energy Status: Key

The national transmission system (NTS) is the high-pressure part of National Grid's pipeline network which delivers gas to regional distribution companies. Local Distribution Zones are operated by gas Distribution Operators (DOs). Wales & West Utilities (WWU) are responsible for the transportation of gas from the national grid network to consumers within B&NES.

National Grid has no works planned for the gas transmission network in Bath and North East Somerset's administrative area at present.

WWU are required to "maintain an efficient and economical pipeline system" under the Gas Act 1986. WWU have a plan (the Long Term Development Statement) to guide new investment in the gas distribution network for the next 10 years based on estimated growth in the market. WWU will expand or grow large areas of the network to ensure minimum capacity in anticipation of developments which are normally phased over many years and have already been approved and committed to by the local authority. These expansions will be funded by WWU as part of their investment procedure.

In terms of costs for reinforcement and network growth, Wales & West Utilities have two different systems depending on the level of growth. For individual sites/single users, any reinforcement of the network would be designed following a request for a quotation and put through an economic test on a case by case basis to determine the level of the customer's financial contribution, (if any). For larger sites Wales & West Utilities would address the issue of expanding the network if necessary to meet these future requirements.

Cost: not quantified

#### **Potential Funding Sources:**

Private Sector funded -Wales & West Utilities or developer funded

#### Risks:

Contingencies: Alternative forms of energy such as decentralised CHP and renewable energy will decrease reliance on one fuel source in the district.

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West of England IDP

Wales & West Utilities Infrastructure Plan

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**Lead Agencies:** 

Relevant policy areas:

District wide Wales & West Utilities

## **DWI.7 District wide Water Supply**

Category: Water & Drainage

Status: Kev

The Environment Agency aim to reduce per capita consumption of water to an average of 130 litres per head per day by 2030.

Wessex Water has an approved Water Resources Plan for future growth across the region. Future demand can be met from existing resources and there are contingency plans in place of drought measures. No new abstraction licenses are required.

Bristol Water provides drinking water to over 1.1m people; it serves the majority of the district with the exception of the city of Bath and its immediate surroundings, which are served by Wessex Water. Draft Bristol Water plan takes account of forecast growth to plan water supply for the next 25 years, having regard to the impacts of climate change and opportunities to increase water efficiency. Leakage reduction and metering are major elements of the strategy. Bristol Water has identified the requirement for the provision of further raw water reservoir storage. Based on current information, it is envisaged that the reservoir will be located within Sedgemoor District, however, there is a degree of uncertainty with regards to the precise nature, timing and location of this project.

Engineering appraisal will be required for major sites to confirm the scope and extent of improvements to the existing infrastructure. On-going consultation with Wessex Water & Bristol Water should be maintained to ensure infrastructure capacity improvements are planned to match the rate of development.

The Environment Agency expects water companies to increase the level of household water metering to at least 75 per cent across the region by 2020 with full household water metering by 2030.

Cost: not known

## **Potential Funding Sources:**

- Private sector funding.
- Ongoing repair and improvement costs met by Ofwat and through customer charging.
- Funding for strategic infrastructure and development of the system is through internal investment by the water companies which is inevitably related to consumer prices. For new developments the costs of the local infrastructure needed for connections is charged to the developer, nominally at cost.

**Risks:** Demand could outstrip supply or efficiency savings could fail to be made. Network improvements should be planned to match the rate of development.

There are small pockets where further water abstraction would currently be restricted. These are in the south west (Chew and Ubley area) and the north east (north east of Bath). Consumptive licences (i.e. for public supply) are unlikely to be granted in these areas as they would be unsustainable at times of lower flow. However, this is unlikely to hinder development

**Contingencies:** There are further opportunities for abstraction that could be explored, such as the reinstatement of small sources or abstraction from the river Avon. Bristol Water retains the use of temporary water use restrictions as a last resort.

#### **Evidence:**

- Evidence gathering for IDP (Wessex Water & Bristol Water)
- Evidence gathering for IDP (Environment Agency)
- Draft Bristol Water Management Plan (2010)
- Bristol City Council IDP (2010)
- Catchment Abstraction Management Plan (Environment Agency)
- Water Resources Strategy Regional Action Plan (Environment Agency)

## Phasing:

2011/12-2015/16

> Funding from
Wessex Water/Bristol
Water & developer

2016/17-2020/21
➤ Funding from
Wessex Water/Bristol
Water & developer

Funding from
Wessex Water/Bristol
Water & developer

2021/22-2025/26

**Relevant policy areas:**District wide

**Lead Agencies:**Bristol Water, Wessex Water

## DWI.8 Waste Water & Drainage Status: Key

Wessex Water provides a sewerage service for the whole district, taking sewerage from properties through a network of piping to pumping stations and sewage treatment plants within the district. The largest plant is in Saltford, which takes sewerage from Bath and there are smaller works in the Norton Radstock area.

Physical assets in the district include pumping stations, treatment plants and the sewer network. An asset management plan capturing capital investment is agreed with the regulator Ofwat every 5 years. Regard has been had of the RSS figures in anticipating future demand.

Infill development provides the opportunity to increase capacity as surface water can be separated from combined sewers this provides potential links to SUDs projects. Modelling is required to confirm and quantify the scope of work required by a development.

Engineering appraisal will be required for major sites to confirm the scope and extent of improvements to the existing infrastructure. Ongoing consultation with Wessex Water & Bristol Water should be maintained to ensure infrastructure capacity improvements are planned to match the rate of development. Delivery methods will include the inclusion of conditions or entering into planning agreements to ensure that proper provision is made for sewerage, both on and off site. These may cover points of connection to the existing sewerage system, provision of extra capacity in the system and the phasing of the development

Cost: not specified

#### **Potential Funding Sources:**

- Private Sector funded.
- On-going repair and improvement costs met by Ofwat and through Customer charging.
- New development will require sewerage connection at developer's cost, for large scale development these costs will be significant. Modelling for this will be charged to the developer.

**Risks:** Disruption could be caused by not planning works. Demand could outstrip that anticipated. Network improvements should be planned to match the rate of development.

Contingencies: Developer contributions can be sought to cover additional demand

#### **Evidence:**

Bristol City Council IDP Wessex Water Business Plan 2010-15 Evidence gathering for IDP (Wessex Water)

Phasing:							
2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	/21	2021/22-2025/26				
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Relevant policy areas:		Lead Agencies:					
District wide		Wessex Water					

## DWI.9 Playing Pitches Category: Leisure Status: Key

The Council manages 124 football pitches, 42 cricket pitches and 62 Rugby pitches. The playing pitch strategy makes the following projections to 2021:

- Football pitches: surplus of senior pitches (40), deficit of junior (22) and mini (26) pitches; 21 sites are rated as poor/below quality. Six clubs have expressed latent demand; this equates to a requirement for an additional 2 senior and 2 junior pitches. The surplus should be considered in the context of its potential contribution to addressing the deficit
- Cricket pitches: deficit of 4.8 pitches
- Rugby pitches: surplus of senior pitches (31.2), deficit of junior (19.4) and mini (0.8) pitches; Five sites are overplayed on a weekly basis. Future Team Generation Rates indicate there will be an additional 7.7 teams across the Area over the next few years. A further four pitches are needed to accommodate this growth. A surplus of senior pitches in the Area is anticipated alongside a deficit of junior and mini rugby pitches. The overall demand/deficit for pitches is likely to be offset by the surplus of senior pitches

Capacity of existing pitches can be improved through investment.

Safeguard current provision at the 'Fry's Club' site to cater for increased demand resulting from housing development and increased participation. Increase/improve changing accommodation at the 'Fry's Club' site.

Work towards the development of multi pitch, hub club sites as a preferred investment strategy.

Cost: not quantified

## **Potential Funding Sources:**

- Development requirement for Somerdale site
- Developer contributions including re-provision where necessary
- Potential funding for community green spaces:
   http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/communities/greenspacefunding

Risks:

## **Contingencies:**

#### Evidence:

Built Facilities Strategy (2009)

Draft Playing Pitch Assessment (2009)

Green Space Strategy (2008)

Evidence gathering for IDP (B&NES Council)

Fry Club Keynsham: Development of Sports & Social Facilities (PLC, Dec 2009)

Evidence gathering for IDP (Sport and Active Lifstyles Team)

## Phasing:

2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/21	2021/22-2025/26
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Relevant policy areas:

Lead Agencies:

District Wide

B&NES Council Developers

## DWI.10 Green Space (Formal, Natural & Allotments) Category: Green Infrastructure Status: Key The Council manages and maintains 50 hectares of formal parkland as well as 200 hectares of public open space, sports pitches and highway verges. Included within this are parks, recreation grounds and public open spaces, floral displays, allotments, trees, woodland and parks and open spaces events. The Council's Green Space Strategy contains local provision standards and identifies deficits in green space. Future investment is needed as there is a general lack of allotments across the district with more localised shortages of natural space and to a lesser degree formal space. Cost: not quantified **Potential Funding Sources: Developer Contributions** Potential funding for community green spaces: http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/communities/greenspacefunding Risks: **Contingencies: Evidence:** Phasing: Green Space Strategy (2008) 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26 Evidence gathering for IDP (B&NES Council) Emerging B&NES Green Infrastructure Strategy Relevant policy areas: **Lead Agencies:** District Wide Bath & North East Somerset Council

## DWI.11 Children's Play areas

Category: Green Infrastructure Status: Key

£296,875 of Lottery funding was secured in 2007 to provide children between 5 and 16 in the district with free play opportunities (2008-2011).

The Council Play Policy (1999) and Play Strategy (2006) prioritise play provision for all children in the district. The Council has funded free play provision for 5-16 year olds in the district since 2000 and the post of Strategic Development Officer for Play. The 2007 Lottery funding was secured to extend play services in areas of deprivation.

In 2009 Bath & North East Somerset Council was awarded £2.5m from the Department of Children, Schools and Families (DCSF) to develop and renew 31 play spaces in the area, as part of the "Play Pathfinder" Programme. Included within this is the development of a new adventure play park and skate park in Midsomer Norton.

Further investment will be needed over the plan period, including the provision of new facilities to support new development.

#### Cost:

£296,875 revenue funding £2.5m capital funding to 2011

Further costs not quantified

## **Potential Funding Sources:**

Council funding; Big Lottery Fund;

Department for Children Schools and Families – Play Pathfinder Programme

Contributions including in kind provision of play areas as part of new developments of scale

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Potential funding for community green spaces:

http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/communities/greenspacefunding

Risks: From April 2011 revenue funding available will be 63% less than in previous years due to Lottery and Pathfinder funding ending

Contingencies: Potential for some third sector provision but this is not guaranteed. Council would have to consider as a corporate commitment

#### **Evidence:**

B&NES Play Policy 1999 B&NES Play Strategy 2006-2012 Green Space Strategy 2008 B&NES Planning Obligations SPD

Phasing: 2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/21	2021/22-2025/26
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Relevant policy	Lead Agencies:	
areas:		
	B&NES Council	
District Wide	Bath Area Play Pro	oject (voluntary
	sector)	
	Wansdyke Play As	sociation (voluntary
	sector)	,
	Community Bus (v	oluntary sector)
		hildren Schools and
	Families	
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## **DWI.12 Strategic Green Infrastructure**

Category: Green Infrastructure Status: Desirable

Green Infrastructure (GI) is a well managed, network of multi-functional green space. GI provides an approach that enables more effective use of existing assets by consideration of integrated solutions to address a number of issues. Key outcomes include enhanced biodiversity, adaptation to climate change, landscape and heritage conservation, healthy living, flood mitigation and SUDs, sustainable transport and fuel/food production.

The Green Infrastructure Strategy identifies a number of geographical projects:

- Wansdyke Heritage Greenway: an interpreted green corridor based ground the remains of the Wansdyke
- Green Setting of Bath World Heritage Site: to develop and deliver a joint management plan designed to protect and sustain the green setting and provide appropriate access within it for the local community and tourists
- North-South Greenway: a green corridor linking Whitchurch in the north, southwards to the Somer Valley, largely following the line of the dismantled railway line
- Bristol Bath Railway Path: coordinate management of the railway path to ensure it continues to provide a quality, multifunctional green corridor for both the community and wildlife
- River Avon and Canal: to provide a framework to deliver the full green infrastructure benefits of this significant corridor
- **AONB Linkway:** to strengthen the habitat and access connectivity between the Mendip Hills and southern part of the Cotswolds AONB
- Restoring Priority Habitats: to increase and then sustain coverage of priority habitat across the district, with a particular focus within Strategic Nature Areas (SNAs)
- Protecting and sustaining ecological networks: to develop an approach to identify and protect ecological networks to support land use planning and management decisions, including a working network map based on strategic nature areas, designated sites, wildlife corridors, priority habitats and other key features

The draft Core Strategy identifies the need for a whole river approach to realise the potential of the River Avon/Kennet and Avon canal corridor as a as a multifunctional green corridor. It is anticipated that some of the GI priorities/improvements will be delivered through other infrastructure schemes listed elsewhere in the IDP. These include: Midsomer Norton Town Park (MNR1.4); potential wetland habitat associated with flood defence (B 1.2); green spaces (DW 1.10) and various cycleway and footpath improvements.

Cost:	Potential Funding Sources:
Not known	Potential funding sources include:
	Revised management regimes for Council owned land
	Partnership working with key land owners and managers
	Work with voluntary and community sector
	<ul> <li>External funding e.g. HLF and other funders for specific access, biodiversity or heritage/landscape projects.</li> </ul>
	Developer contributions and Masterplan principles e.g. green corridors
	Potential funding for community green spaces:
	http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/communities/greenspacefunding
	To be further explored and identified in the Green Infrastructure Study

Risks: Dependent on completion of GI Strategy

## **Contingencies:**

Master plans to address GI needs and these will in part be achievable through developer contributions. However gap funding will also be required from other sources.

GI will also be achievable through revised management regimes for Council owned land and through working in partnership with other key land owners/managers and organisations across B&NES.

Evidence:	Phasing:			
Emerging Green Infrastructure Strategy	2011/12-2015/16	2016/1	7-2020/21	2021/22-2025/26
Biodiversity South West Nature Map and South West Nature Map: A Planners Guide	>	>		>
	Relevant policy are	eas:	Lead Agenci	es:
	District Wide		B&NES Deve	lopers

## **DWI.13 Greater Bristol Bus Network Improvements**

**Category: Transport** 

**Status: Complete** 

Ten new showcase corridors (also know as the Greater Bristol Bus Network) are currently under construction across the West of England Partnership area to deliver substantial improvements in the quality of bus services.

Generically the scheme can be defined as a 'bus showcase' network comprising a range of measures that will improve the speed, reliability, comfort and image of conventional bus travel across the area. This is key to alleviating rising congestion in the strategic road network. Due to the cross boundary nature of this project the scheme is being promoted by the four councils of Bath and North East Somerset, Bristol City, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire, working with bus operator First

Within B&NES, there will be improvements to bus infrastructure between Bath, Bristol and Radstock/Midsomer Norton, major improvements to bus corridors and the purchase of new buses. Physical measures include bus priority measures and improved bus stops with new shelters, raised curbs and at the most popular stops real time passenger information. The benefits of similar improvements within Bath and North East Somerset can already be seen on the Hicks Gate Roundabout and the A367 Odd Down Bus Lane.

#### Cost:

Total cost of the West of England GBBN is £78.8m comprising:

- £42.3M DfT,
- £22.5m First
- £6.6m Developer Contributions
- £6.6m Local Authority contributions

## **Potential Funding Sources:**

- DfT Regional Funding Allocation 2
- First
- B&NES Council
- Developer contributions

Risks: None identified.

Contingencies: Project completed.

#### **Evidence:**

- Single Conversation: West of England Delivery & Infrastructure Investment Plan (2010)p3 & Appendix E: <a href="www.westofengland.org/transport/bath-package">www.westofengland.org/transport/bath-package</a>
- Greater Bristol Bus Network: Major Scheme Business Case, July 2005
- West of England Travel Plus: <a href="http://www.travelplus.org.uk/showcase">http://www.travelplus.org.uk/showcase</a>
- JLTP3 Delivery Plan 2012/13 2014/15
   http://travelplus.org.uk/media/245864/jltp3%20delivery%20plan%20final%20m
   arch%202012.pdf

Phasing:		
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## Relevant policy areas:

- District Wide
- Bath
- Midsomer Norton & Radstock

## Lead Agencies:

- West of England Authorities including B&NES Council;
- DfT;
- First.

DWI.14: (Future Strategic Transport Intervention package): Item has been superseded

## **DWI.15 Two Tunnels Greenway**

**Category: Transport** 

Status: Complete

The Two Tunnels route will use an old railway track bed along the old Somerset and Dorset Railway Line from Combe Down creating a direct route between Bath and the Midford valley, 2½ miles south of the city before joining the long distance Sustrans NCN24 route. The Two Tunnels route is being built by Sustrans working in partnership with Bath and North East Somerset Council as part of the Connect2 project. A Two Tunnels Community group who originated the project and who campaign for the route are also active in campaigning and fundraising to support the project.

Once completed, walkers and cyclists will experience two illuminated tunnels and a viaduct along the route that will provide an inspiring yet practical link between town and country, with its unique blend of industrial heritage, wildlife and geology. The project will renovate the dis-used Tucking Mill viaduct and open up two disused tunnels, one of which (Combe Down) is over a mile long.

The project will bring together the communities of Bath, Midford and nearby communities of Oldfield Park, Twerton, The Oval, Beechen Cliff, Bloomfield, Widcombe, Perrymead and Foxhill, will all be able to make everyday journeys to local schools, shops, work and for leisure, by foot or by bike. Initial estimates suggest that this greenway will attract one million journeys every year by both local people and visitors to Bath. The route will also link to the successful Colliers Way in the South and the Bath-Bristol cycle path in the West.

The opening of the route is planned for October 2012.

Cost: £1.9m

## **Potential Funding Sources:**

- B&NES Council: £400.000
- £1m Lottery funding bid "The People's Millions Scheme"
- £200,000 from King Bladud's Pigs scheme
- Sustrans

**Risks:** Under construction. Sufficient funding is in place for all aspects of work.

## **Contingencies:**

#### **Evidence:**

- www.twotunnels.org.uk
- http://www.sustransconnect2.org.uk
- Steering Group Meeting May 2012: http://www.twotunnels.org.uk/docs/21 may 12 sq notes.pdf

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Relevant policy areas:

Bath Rural areas

Midsomer Norton & Radstock

Lead Agencies:

Community & Voluntary sector; Sustrans; Bath & North East Somerset Council.

DWI.16 Leisure & Culture

Category: Leisure

Status: Key

The Council provides numerous recreational, cultural, leisure and arts facilities throughout the district. In addition to this there are a number of private facilities such as the Bath Rugby Club at the Rec and Bath City FC.

There are also a range of aspirations for a new multi-use stadium in Bath, the remodelling of the Forum as a concert hall, the upgrading of sports field changing facilities and new library & community facilities.

An 8 week consultation on the future of Bath recreation ground was launched in April 2011 by the Bath Recreation Trust Board. The Trustees have been in discussion with Bath Rugby and the Council and have reached an outline agreement on a proposal which, amongst other issues, accommodates Bath Rugby's aspiration to increase stadium capacity, retains Bath Leisure Centre with no proposed changes for the foreseeable future and improves accessibility to the Charity's assets by providing an additional site. The east stand of the new stadium will remain removable so that The Rec can still be managed as an open space during the summer months.

Cost: not quantified

## **Potential Funding Sources:**

- Bath & North East Somerset Council
- Developers

Risks:

## **Contingencies:**

#### **Evidence:**

Evidence gathering IDP (B&NES Council)

Report of Board of Trustees of the Recreation Ground, Bath 13/4/11:

http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=126&Mld=3163

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Relevant policy areas:

District-wide

**Lead Agencies:** B&NES Council

Community & Voluntary

Sector Aquaterra

Bath Rugby Club

### **DWI.17 Built Sports Facilities Category: Leisure** Status: Key A PPG17 compliant study considering build facilities in the district. This study identifies the supply of built facilities including synthetic turf pitches, multi-use halls, swimming pools, sports halls, tennis courts, bowling facilities, multi-use games areas, gyms, squash courts, golf courses, youth facilities, athletic tracks and recreation ground pavilions. Population based thresholds for new provision and deficits and supply are identified. Bath Sports and Leisure Centre is located at Bath Recreation Ground. If the proposed redevelopment of Bath Recreation Ground (involving the provision of a new stadium for Bath Rugby Club) requires land currently occupied by Bath Sports and Leisure Centre, relocation/replacement of the Leisure Centre's facilities should be provided at the Recreation Ground or elsewhere within the City Centre, unless over supply can be demonstrated. An additional 1.57 '4 badminton court sports halls' are identified as being required as well as an additional 1.06 25 metre swimming pools and 2 Synthetic Turf Pitches. **Potential Funding Sources:** Cost: Not quantified Developer contributions including re-provision where necessary Risks: Contingencies: Evidence: Phasing: Built Facilities Strategy (2009) 2011/12-2016/17-2021/22http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/SiteCollectionDocuments/Environment%20and%20Planning/PlanObligationsmaster2.pdf 2015/16 2020/21 2025/26 Appendix A Evidence gathering IDP (B&NES Council) Relevant Lead Agencies:

policy areas:

District Wide

Bath & North East Somerset Council

Bath Rugby Club

## DWI.18 Public Realm & Movement Programme Category: Public Realm Status: Desirable The Council is responsible for maintaining adopted roads and pavements together with street lighting, signage and street furniture. The upgrade of the public realm has a role to play in the continuing development of the economy and the image of the place. Cost: see specific costs **Potential Funding Sources:** within strategies Secured Sources CIVITAS (EC Funding) Growth Points **Developer Contributions** Council Capital The public Realm and Movement Programme is developing a funding strategy to support Council Capital to deliver the rolling programme of improvements. Risks: Developer contributions may not be forthcoming Contingencies: Evidence: Phasing: Bath Public Realm and Movement Strategy (2009) 2016/17-2020/21 2011/12-2015/16 2021/22-2025/26 Draft Regeneration Delivery Plan for Midsomer Norton 2010 Draft Regeneration Delivery Plan for Keynsham 2010 Relevant policy areas: Lead Agencies: District Wide **B&NES Council Developers**

## **DWI.19 District Heating**

Category: Energy

Status: Desirable

The Core Strategy encourages the introduction of combined heat and power and the development of a District Heating network focused on "District Heating Priority Areas" which are shown to have existing and future technical feasibility for the technology and expects district heating to be installed on three key sites identified as having the best potential. This technology is currently seen to be one of the most cost effective ways of reducing carbon emissions in new buildings.

**Cost:** see area specific costs where available in later sections

#### **Potential Funding Sources:**

Strategic Network:

- Energy Services Company (ESCo) in public/private partnership investment arrangement which would allow the energy to be produced and then sold on to the consumers.
- Developer contributions
- Community Energy Fund Allowable Solutions

Local infrastructure:

- Delivered through development within District Heating Priority areas
- Delivered by landowners as a site specific energy solution e.g. already in place at the RUH, University of Bath, Thermae Spa & Bath Leisure Centre.

Bath Western Riverside District Heating Scheme in process of being established as part of the detailed infrastructure planning for the site.

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Renewable Heat Incentive/Feed In Tariff

#### Risks:

**Contingencies:** District Heating is only one possible energy solution, other site specific or off-site allowable solutions might be implemented as an alternative to meeting the zero carbon requirements, albeit potentially at higher cost to the developer.

#### **Evidence:**

B&NES Renewable Energy Research (2009 & 2010) B&NES District Heating Opportunity Study (2010)

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Relevant policy areas:	Lead Agencies:	
District-wide with a focus on the urban areas		

DWI.20 Further Education		Category: Education	1	Status:	Desirable		
There are two further education colleges in the district: (i) City of Bath College and (ii) Norton Radstock College. Responsibility for Further Education is being transferred from the LSC to the Council.  Both colleges have been in discussion with the LSCC on significant projects to overhaul facilities and these have stalled due to a lack of central Government funding.							
Cost:	Potential Funding Sources:						
Not known							
Risks: Capital funding is not se	ecured to improve facilities.						
Contingencies: Deferred funding will necessitate the extended use of facilities, although they will become increasingly unfit for purpose.							
Evidence:		Phasing:					
Evidence gathering for IDP (N	RC and CBC)	2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	<b>′21</b>	2021/22-2025/26		
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		Relevant policy area	ıs:	Lead A	gencies:		
		District-wide		Local E	ducation Authority		

DWI.21 Higher Education		Category: Education		Status:	Desirable			
There are two higher education institutions in the district: (i) University of Bath and (ii) Bath Spa University.								
The University of Bath has prepared a Masterplan and its needs for the plan period can be met on campus in line with Local Plan policy GDS.1/B11 which has been saved alongside the Core Strategy.								
	Bath Spa University is in the process of preparing a Bath Spa University Masterplan (considering all sites) and a specific Newton Park Campus Masterplan. It is seeking to improve its academic buildings and increase on-campus residence.							
Cost: Not quantified University of Bath Bath Spa University								
Risks: Capital funding is not so	ecured to improve facilities.							
Contingencies: Operations w	ill continue in existing							
Evidence:		Phasing:						
Evidence gathering for IDP & Core Strategy (University of Bath, Bath Spa University)  2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26								
Relevant policy areas: Lead Agencies:								
		Bath			ity of Bath oa University			

DWI.22 Youth Services		Category: Commun	nity Facilities	Status:	Desirable			
Youth Services provides Positive Activities and individual support for those more vulnerable young people aged 11 to 25 year olds focusing on young people aged 13-19. The Youth Service delivers these activities using qualified and experienced staff via our 4 well-equipped Youth Hubs, mobile provision, outreach and detached in the areas of the development.								
Cost: Per capita calculation included in the B&NES Planning Obligations SPD  Potential Funding Sources: Developer Contributions Some limited mainstream funding								
Risks: Capital funding is not secured to improve services, significant mainstream funding is not anticipated.  Contingencies: Potential for some third sector provision but this is not guaranteed. Council would have to consider as a corporate commitment as well as supporting the local Authority youth work.								
Evidence:		Phasing:						
Evidence gathering for IDP ( B&NES Planning Obligations		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020	/21	2021/22-2025/26 >			
OFSTED Inspection 2008 Report  Relevant policy areas:  Lead Agencies:								
		District-wide		Service Childre Volunt	cal Authority Youth e en's Services tary sector youth isations			

DWI.23 Police Category: Community Facilities Status: Desirable

Avon & Somerset Police force operate from stations in Bath, Keynsham and Radstock. There is also a neighbourhood centre in Twerton. The Central Bath station includes custody suites. The demand for policing is driven more by the level of crime than population growth per se.

As part of the Accommodation project a new purpose built Police Custody and Crime Investigation Centre will be opened in Keynsham comprising 48 cells and investigation and administration floorspace. This will involve removing a 12 cell unit from Bath (Manvers Street). The site will house 230 officers and staff who are currently based elsewhere in Bristol and B&NES. Outline permission has been granted for this scheme. Blue Light Partnership was chosen as the successful partner in January 2012 to build and maintain the building for 25 years. Construction to begin in summer 2012 with completion anticipated in 2014.

This may also include the refurbishment of the Radstock station.

Cost:

**Potential Funding Sources:** 

Not quantified, 2011/2012 Capital budget £5.5m PFI with Avon & Somerset Constabulary and Blue Light Partnership consortium

Risks:

## **Contingencies:**

#### Evidence:

Evidence gathering for the IDP (ASC)

ASC Developer Contributions Methodology

Planning application 11/00091/OUT

Avon & Somerset Police Accommodation Project:

http://www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/accommodation/index.aspx

Ashmead Road information:

http://www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/accommodation/ashmead-road.pdf

2011/12 Revenue Budget & Capital Programme:

http://www.aspola.org.uk/cache/PDF/Document5555 442458.pdf

Phasing:							
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Relevant policy area	s:	Lead Agencies:					
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DWI.24 Fire Category: Community Facilities Status: Desirable

Avon Fire & Rescue Service covers the former Avon area. Within the district use is made of the following facilities: Bath Fire Station, Bath Community Safety Centre, Keynsham Community safety Centre, Keynsham, Paulton, Radstock and Chew Magna Fire Stations.

Local standards set maximum response times for incidents, Cat A areas 8 mins. For 85% of incidents, Cat B areas 10 mins. For 90% of incidents and for Cat C areas 20 mins for 95% of incidents.

The Fire Stations must be located to best manage both the operational response risk and community risk. Increasing traffic congestion and potential development on the periphery of the city is seen to interfere with the future efficient operation of the Bath station.

Two small stations could provide improved cover to Bath to replace Bath Fire Station (potentially in more peripheral locations) if funding allows. A replacement station at Keynsham (could be relocated on the eastern side of Bristol) would be considered in support of the desire to redevelop Keynsham Town Centre.

Avon Fire and Rescue have confirmed that they expect developers to meet the costs of fire hydrants and fire fighting water supplies to new developments, with a new installation of a hydrant to include 5 years maintenance (£1,500) to tie in with developments of 14 or more houses. Building Regulations state that all buildings with a compartment of more than 280sqm should have a hydrant within 100m.

#### Cost:

Fire stations not quantified Fire hydrants £1,500 each

### **Potential Funding Sources:**

Avon Fire & Rescue Service (land value of existing sites could potentially contribute towards re-provision). Developers

**Risks:** Appropriate alternative sites have not been identified and funding not currently available. Bath station may not continue to give appropriate cover to the city.

**Contingencies:** Explore an alternative strategy.

#### **Evidence:**

Evidence gathering for the IDP (AFRS)

Keynsham Town Hall Masterplan rationale document (B&NES/NEW Masterplanning) Building Regulations document B, Fire Safety, Volume 2, B5:

http://www.canterbury.gov.uk/assets/buildingcontrol/approved-document-b-vol2-2006a.pdf

Letter from Avon Fire & Rescue (dated 23/8/11) B&NES Unitary Plan 2009-2011

Phasing:						
2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	/21	2021/22-2025/26			
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Relevant policy areas:		Lead Agencies:				
		Avon Servic	Fire & Rescue e			

DWI.25: See BI.22 (Relocation of Bath Ambulance Station)

## DWI.26 Great Western Mainline Electrification & Intercity Express Programme

**Category: Transport** 

Status: Key

Electrification of the Great Western Main Line between Swansea, Bristol and Didcot will provide an electrified mainline from Swansea to London Paddington, including stations within B&NES. The key elements of scope related to infrastructure capability currently being developed by Network Rail and DfT include power supplies, gauge clearance and overhead line modifications. The DfT target is for electrification to be completed for electric train operation to Newbury, Oxford and Bristol by December 2016. Construction will begin in 2013.

THIS HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED IN THE NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN AS ONE OF THE TOP 40 PRIORITY NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS.

The Intercity Express Programme will replace the current "Intercity 125" high speed diesel fleet with a new, fleet of electric and bi-mode Super Express Trains capable of 125mph with higher capacity to provide a quicker service between Bristol and London from 2016 onwards. These trains will be up to 260m long. The scope of works on the GWML includes development, design, and implementation works to introduce the new trains.

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Intercity Express

Programme: £4.5 billion

Electrification of the Great Western Main between Cardiff, Bristol and Didcot:

£704 million

Potential F	Fundina	Sources:
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Department for Transport/Network Rail

#### Risks:

## **Contingencies:**

#### **Evidence:**

Evidence gathering for the IDP (Transport)

DfT press release 1/3/2011

Network Rail Route Plan K 2011 Update

Network Rail CP4 Delivery Plan 2012 <a href="http://www.networkrail.co.uk/aspx/12070.aspx">http://www.networkrail.co.uk/aspx/12070.aspx</a>

## Phasing:

District Wide

2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26

Relevant policy areas:

Lead Agencies:

Network Rail

DfT

#### **DW.27 Smarter Choices Interventions**

**Category: Transport** 

Status: Desirable

Smarter choices are techniques for influencing people's travel behaviour towards more sustainable options such as encouraging school, workplace and individualised travel planning. They also seek to improve public transport and marketing services such as travel awareness campaigns, setting up websites for car share schemes, supporting car clubs and encouraging home working.

The Bath Transport Interventions Study (2010) included an assessment of smarter choices options for the city using the G-BATH model. This indicated that a package of workplace and school travel plans, together with personalised travel planning could reduce car trips by 4% of higher with suitable funding. The study also highlighted the number of short car trips within the city, a proportion of which could be diverted to walking and cycling. A package of walking and cycling improvements along the river corridor was estimated to remove 680 car trips in the AM peak hour. A combination of smarter choices interventions across the city and walk/cycle improvements along the river corridor was estimated to reduce journey times by 2 minutes on most routes.

#### Cost:

Workplace travel plans £36-£72k (targeting approx 12,000 employees); School Travel Plans £50k; Personalised travel planning £380k (19,000 residents at £20 per head); Walking and cycle improvements not yet quantified.

## **Potential Funding Sources:**

Bath & North East Somerset Council; Developer Contributions (e.g. Travel Plans); National Campaigns; Local Businesses and Amenity/Interest Groups; Public Realm Improvements; Commercial operations e.g. Car Clubs; Health-led projects; Schools and University travel planning

**Risks:** Lack of specific ring-fenced funding for smarter choices interventions or investment in walking and cycling networks will result in a reduction in the range of smarter choices interventions that can be delivered.

**Contingencies:** Smarter choices measures are a potential contingency where capital investment cannot be sought in transport infrastructure and can often be the most effective and efficient interventions.

#### Evidence:

- Information gathering for the IDP (Transport)
- Bath Transport Interventions, Transport Modelling Report, Mott MacDonald (February 2010)

www.bathnes.gov.uk/transportandstreets/travel/Pages/travelbetterlivebetter.aspx

DfT: Alternatives to Travel: Next Steps (November 2011)
 http://assets.dft.gov.uk/publications/alternatives-to-travel/next-steps.pdf

Phasing:					
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Relevant policy areas:		Lead Agencies:			
Bath			& North East		
Keynsham Midsomer Norton & Radstock		201116	erset Council		
Rural Areas	x NGGSTOCK				

## **DWI.28 Renewable Energy Infrastructure Category: Energy** Status: Desirable The Council has set targets for renewable energy provision in the Core Strategy. It is anticipated that this infrastructure will be provided on a commercial basis by the private sector and householders. The Council may also have a role in delivering and enabling projects. Bath and West Community Energy (BWCE) is a community enterprise that finances and installs renewable energy, offers local people the opportunity to invest and recycles a portion of its revenues into a local low carbon fund. They aim to meet a quarter of the district's renewable energy targets through community projects. The Council has set up a cooperation agreement with BWCE. Cost: not quantified **Potential Funding Sources:** Privately funded projects; Householders; Bath & West Community Energy and other community projects; Grant schemes and tax incentives (e.g. feed in tariff) Renewable energy targets for new developments Potential for developer contributions Risks: **Contingencies: Evidence:** Phasing: B&NES Renewable Energy & Planning Research (2009 & 2010) 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26 Information gathering for the IDP (Sustainability Team) Relevant policy areas: **Lead Agencies:** District Wide Private sector

# DWI.29 ITSO Smart Ticketing throughout All South West England: Local Sustainable Transport Fund Application

**Category: Transport** 

Status: Desirable

This Project will 'enable most public transport journeys to be undertaken using smart ticketing technology throughout SW England' to support economic growth, reduce carbon, and enhance social mobility. The investment in smart ticketing infrastructure and the regional back office support platform through this project will improve the performance of bus operators through better boarding times leading to faster end to end passenger journeys (and associated carbon emissions savings); it will contribute to reducing congestion through modal transfer; and will generate passenger growth through the introduction of better ticketing products in accordance with the identified impacts associated with a migration to smart ticketing. Overall, it will help to sustain and grow the regional bus network, improve the commercial operational base, leading to more sustainable transport opportunities for existing and new passengers. This regional submission has been developed around three core complementary scheme packages:

- Delivering the roll out of operational ITSO compliant ticket machines and required support services across all registered local bus services in SW England by the end of 2012/13.
- Delivering Europe's 1st open access regional ITSO HOPS Card Management System (CMS) Package, and England's 1st Region wide E-Money platform for transport ticketing.
- Support Smart Ticketing adoption within community based organisations in SW England, and assist other English Local Authorities in meeting DfT smartcard based policy deadlines.

A soft launch for the smartcards is scheduled for May 2012 to test the network. More extensive rollout will occur during May/June 2012 with a full scale rollout during September 2012.

#### Cost:

Total cost £9.41m

 DfT contribution of £2.98 m has been approved

## **Potential Funding Sources:**

Department for Transport Local Sustainable Transport Fund South West Local Authorities South West Smart Applications Ltd South West Bus Operators

#### Risks:

#### Contingencies:

#### **Evidence:**

Local Sustainable Transport Fund Application:

http://www.travelplus.org.uk/media/216137/lstf\_smart\_ticketing\_bid[1].pdf

Local Sustainable Transport Fund Application approved schemes:

http://assets.dft.gov.uk/publications/local-sustainable-transport-fund-guidance-on-the-application-process/successful-bid-recipients.pdf

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Relevant policy areas:

District-wide P

Plymouth City Council on behalf of 14 South West Local Transport Authorities

**Lead Agencies**:

## DWI.30a West of England Sustainable Travel (WEST): Local Sustainable Transport Fund Large Project Initial Proposals

**Category: Transport** 

Status: Key

WEST was given funding approval by the DfT on 27th June 2012. All projects are to be completed by 31st March 2015.

WEST is an integrated package of 10 projects built around the three themes of: low-carbon commuting (targeting business travel on key commuter corridors and at major employment locations); active and sustainable communities (working with local communities to develop 'bottom up' sustainable transport solutions); and transitions to a low-carbon lifestyle (focusing on the choices people make as they move school, university, home or job). The bid covers the West of England area (which includes B&NES) focusing on: 11 key commuter routes; the centres of Bath, Bristol and Weston-super-Mare; 25 urban and 42 rural communities; the key employment clusters of Portbury Docks/Severnside, Bristol airport and the North Fringe; 4 universities including Bath and Bath Spa; and 90 schools. DWI.30 will expand on the work being carried forward in the LSTF Key Component Bid outlined in BI.11 and MNRI.8.

Projects that are relevant to B&NES include:

- **Key Commuter Routes**: Includes Bath Spa to NCN4 cycle route (see BI.11 for more details); financial support for additional 379 Midsomer Norton to Bristol bus service; on-board display screen equipment on all First buses operating on the GBBN corridors; and real time travel information and traffic signal improvements.
- Business Travel: introduction of 19 electric charging points in public car parks and park and ride sites within B&NES.
- Vibrant Streets: promotion and implementation of small scale traffic management measures in urban communities to support sustainable transport modes.
- Facilitating Sustainable Travel in Key Centres: small scale cycling and pedestrian improvements in Bath city centre, including contraflow cycling schemes and bike hire; continued support for the Bristol and Bath Freight Transhipment Centre.
- The Move to Secondary School: infrastructure Improvements to aid walking/cycling/public transport use.
- Preparing for Adulthood: provision of bikes, scooters/mopeds and electric bikes to young adults helping them to access the jobs market.
- **Universities:** creation of a Green Transport Hub.

#### Cost:

Total bid (WoE): £24,035,000

B&NES share: £3,100,000

## **Potential Funding Sources:**

Department for Transport Local Sustainable Transport Fund:

Local contribution consisting of:

- Public sector (Council Integrated Transport Block funding, Council capital and scheme funding, University capital and scheme funding)
- Private sector (Section 106)
- Third sector funding sources

Risks: The proposed rural links and hubs part of the project was unsuccessful in receiving funding.

**Contingencies:** Bid has been approved by DfT and Cabinet.

#### **Evidence:**

Local Sustainable Transport Fund proposal:
 <a href="http://travelplus.org.uk/media/216986/final%20lstf%20web%20version.pdf">http://travelplus.org.uk/media/216986/final%20lstf%20web%20version.pdf</a>

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Cabinet Report (7 <sup>th</sup> December 2011):	Relevant policy areas:	Lead Agencies:
<ul> <li>http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=122&amp;Mld=3243&amp;Ver=4</li> <li>DfT funding confirmation (27<sup>th</sup> June 2012): <a href="http://assets.dft.gov.uk/publications/local-sustainable-transport-fund-guidance-on-the-application-process/large-projects-">http://assets.dft.gov.uk/publications/local-sustainable-transport-fund-guidance-on-the-application-process/large-projects-</a></li> </ul>	District-wide	West of England Partnership; B&NES
tranche2.pdf		Council
Cabinet Report (12 <sup>th</sup> September 2012): <a href="http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/g3250/Public%20reports%20pack%2012th-Sep-2012%2018.30%20Cabinet.pdf?T=10">http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/g3250/Public%20reports%20pack%2012th-Sep-2012%2018.30%20Cabinet.pdf?T=10</a> <a href="https://documents/g3250/Public%20reports%20pack%2012th-Sep-2012%2018.30%20Cabinet.pdf?T=10">https://documents/g3250/Public%20reports%20pack%2012th-Sep-2012%2018.30%20Cabinet.pdf?T=10</a>		

DWI.30b LSTF Extension to 2015/16		Category: Transpo	rt St	tatus: K	еу
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Cost: £643,000	Potential Funding Sources:				
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		Relevant policy are	eas:	Lead	I Agencies:
		District-wide			of England nership; B&NES ncil

## **DWI.31a Broadband Improvements**

Category: Community Facilities

Status: Desirable

The market will provide superfast broadband to around two thirds of the country. The Government believes it is essential the whole country share in the benefits of high-speed internet access and is investing £530 million over this Parliament (confirmed in the spending review in October) to bring superfast broadband to the third of UK homes and businesses that would otherwise miss out. A further £300 million will be available by 2017 as part of the TV licence fee settlement. 'Britain's Superfast Broadband Future' sets out an action plan to stimulate private investment and competition, and create an environment in which business can flourish by removing key barriers around hardware and cutting costs, bringing superfast broadband to 90% of the population. The proposals include:

- A 'digital hub' in every community with a high speed connection to the nearest exchange.
- A mixed-technology approach with fixed, wireless and satellite all having a role.
- Investing £50 million in a second wave of projects to test how the Government delivers this, overseen by Broadband Delivery UK within BIS
- Ensuring access to existing infrastructure, including BT's network of ducts and poles
- New guidance to builders and contractors on how to ensure new buildings are broadband-ready
- Working with local authorities to reduce the cost of broadband rollout by clarifying existing guidance on street works and micro-trenching

BROADBAND INVESTMENT HAS BEEN INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN AS A NATIONALLY SIGNIFICANT PRIORITY INFRASTRUCTURE SCHEME.

The **Connecting Devon and Somerset** programme (CDS), led by Devon County Council and Somerset County Council, aims to provide 100% broadband coverage of 2Mbps with a minimum of 85% superfast broadband at 24Mbps by 2015 and superfast broadband for all by 2020. B&NES is part of the joint programme which has secured a total of £53m of public sector investment. This programme is aimed at areas not covered by the private sector roll-out of superfast broadband which is also taking place throughout B&NES. Rollout of CDS will begin in early 2013.

#### Cost:

 B&NES area: £2.724m (total cost for Devon & Somerset area is c.£100m)

# **Potential Funding Sources:**

- Broadband Delivery UK/BIS & BT (£2,249,000)
- B&NES Council (£475,000)

**Risks:** Private sector delivery partner required

Contingencies: Government funding approved by BDUK/BIS

- Britain's Superfast Broadband Future (DCMS/BIS December 2010 http://www.bis.gov.uk/news/topstories/2010/Dec/superfast-broadband)
- BDUK funding allocation: <a href="http://www.culture.gov.uk/images/publications/BDUK-funding-Allocation-16-08-11.pdf">http://www.culture.gov.uk/images/publications/BDUK-funding-Allocation-16-08-11.pdf</a>
- Connecting Devon and Somerset:
   <a href="http://www.connectingdevonandsomerset.co.uk/">http://www.connectingdevonandsomerset.co.uk/</a>

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<ul> <li>District Wide</li> </ul>		•	Broadband					
			Delivery UK/BIS					
		•	Connecting					
			Devon & Somerset					
		•	BT					
		•	B&NFS					

### DWI.31b SMART City Infrastructure (Bath), and District Wide, including NGA (Next Category: Community Facilities Status: Key Generation Access) communications networks. Next-generation access (NGA) describes a significant upgrade to the Broadband available by making a step change in speed and quality of the service. This is typically symmetrical with a download speed of 24Mb plus and a fast upload speed. Super-fast broadband is generally taken to mean broadband products that provide a maximum download speed that is greater than 24 Mbit/s. This threshold is commonly considered to be the maximum speed that can be supported on current generation (copper-based) networks. The BCREA Masterplan identifies potential for ducting and infrastructure provision within Bath Enterprise Area. This is also required throughout B&NES, supplied in partnership with commercial providers. Cost: See BCREA Masterplan (c.£5,000,000) **Potential Funding Sources:** • Infrastructure and utility providers Developer contributions Risks: **Contingencies:** Phasing: **Evidence:** BCREA Masterplan 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26 **B&NES Digital Strategy** Relevant policy areas: **Lead Agencies:** District wide B&NES Providers such as BT Openreach

#### **DWI.32 Public Toilet Provision**

Category: Community Facilities

Status: Desirable

Toilets that are accessible by the general public are important to the well-being and development of an area. Traditional Council-provided facilities are often no longer the best way to provide these facilities for residents or visitors and tourists. Retail, leisure, entertainment developments and transport interchanges should be planned and designed to include adequate publicly accessible toilet facilities.

The provision strategy (timetabled for adoption in 2011/12) sets out quality, quantity and distribution standards as guidance for new facilities and remodelling or upgrading of existing ones. This is part of a set of objectives which seek to deliver the overarching aim of providing or facilitating the provision of clean, safe, accessible and sustainable toilets for residents and visitors at key locations across Bath & North East Somerset. This provision strategy establishes a framework for future provision in a range of ways and by a range of providers and with a range of funding sources, to achieve an overall improved standard.

Cost: Not quantified

**Potential Funding Sources:** 

Commercial/retail developers
Housing developers
Toilet industry providers
Joint initiatives including the Council

**Risks:** Reliance on existing Council provision which is now often poorly located and needs investment to upgrade to modern condition.

Contingencies: Existing council facilities and ad hoc provision by shops, pubs, cafes etc.

**Evidence:** 

Public Toilets consultation 2009/10

Provision Strategy for Public Toilets in Bath & North East Somerset – timetabled for adoption in 2011/12

Evidence gathering for IDP (Waste Services)

Phasing

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Relevant policy areas:

Lead Agencies:

District Wide

**B&NES Council** 

### **DWI.33 Retrofitting Existing Dwellings**

Category: Energy

Status: Desirable

Policy CP1 of the draft Core Strategy encourages retrofitting measures to existing buildings to improve their energy efficiency and adaptability to climate change. Much of our housing stock is "hard to treat" and the option should be retained to use developer contributions to retrofit such properties to improve their energy efficiency.

A SPD on sustainable construction and retrofitting is being prepared to provide guidance on sensitively retrofitting our historic building stock.

The Government will complete rollout of Smart Meters by 2020, so that electricity customers can participate actively in helping reduce carbon intensity. In 2012 the Government will put in place obligations on energy suppliers to complete the rollout. The communications and data infrastructure required to support smart meters is expected to be operational in 2014.

ROLLOUT OF SMART METERS HAS BEEN INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN AS A NATIONALLY SIGNIFICANT PRIORITY INFRASTRUCTURE SCHEME.

Cost: Not quantified

### **Potential Funding Sources:**

- Green Deal
- Energy Company Obligation
- Local Energy Assessment Fund
- Salix loans for public sector energy efficiency projects
- Potential for developer contributions

Risks:

## **Contingencies:**

Evidence:

Evidence gathering for IDP (Sustainability Team)

Local Energy Assessment Fund:

 $\underline{\text{http://www.decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/news/pn11\_107/pn11\_107.aspx}}$ 

Green Deal:

http://www.decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/tackling/green\_deal/green\_deal.aspx

Salix loans: http://www.salixfinance.co.uk./home.html

Phasing:							
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Relevant policy area	s:	Lead Agencies:					
District Wide		Sector volunt	Council/Private r; Parish Councils; ary organisations; lual householders				

DWI.34 Infrastructure for local	energy crop processing and distribution	Category: Energy		Status	: Desirable
	to achieve maximum carbon savings, and run cost effectively nd possibly investment in distribution and processing centres.	, a local biomass supply	/ will be needed	i. Establ	ishing a biomass
Cost: Not quantified	Potential Funding Sources: Potential for developer contributions				
Risks:					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	<b>′21</b>	2021/22-2025/26
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		Relevant policy area	s:	Lead A	Agencies:
		District Wide		B&NES Sector	S Council/Private r

### DWI.35 Infrastructure for local food growing, distribution and processing Category: Green Infrastructure Status: Desirable A higher population will mean increased food production, and climate change will affect growing conditions and force changes in the types of crops we grow. "Local food growing" goes beyond the existing infrastructure requirement for allotments, to allow for other types of local food production, such as smallholdings, community supported agriculture schemes, community gardening, urban farms and so forth. For a viable local food system, distribution and processing facilities will also be needed. The need for Local Food is contained throughout the Core Strategy, for example in Key Strategic Issues sections on Climate Change, Locality and Economy. It is likely that to support local food production irrigation will be needed over a wider area, using more water. It will become increasingly important for farmers to keep soils in good condition in order to retain water in the soil and to allow effective replenishment of the groundwater. The Environment Agency encourages businesses in the farming, horticulture and outdoor leisure sectors to build reservoirs to store water in the winter for summer use. Cost: Not quantified **Potential Funding Sources:** Potential for developer contributions Risks: **Contingencies:** Evidence: Phasing: 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26 Evidence gathering for IDP (Sustainability Team) Potential for > Potential for > Potential for CIL/S106 capital CIL/S106 capital CIL/S106 capital Relevant policy areas: **Lead Agencies:** District Wide **B&NES** Council/Private Sector

DWI.36 Kennet & Avon Cana	Infrastructure	Category: Green In	irastructure	Status: D	esirable esirable			
The Government recognises the multi-functional role of waterways and the need to maintain and improve the quality of the waterway resource and infrastructure if the public benefits delivered are to be maintained and grown. No large scale new infrastructure is required to meet increased population numbers. However, the canal is in constant need of maintenance to remain at a steady operational state.  Projects include on-going improvements to the tow-path, new signage and lighting, improved accessibility to canal from Bath city centre, improved moorings/pontoons/sanitary facilities, improvements to locks between Midland Road to Keynsham.								
Cost: Not quantified Potential Funding Sources:  Developer or funding bid  Commercial operator								
Risks:								
Contingencies:								
Evidence:		Phasing:						
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Evidence gathering for IDP (British Waterways)  Some funding secured in 5 year capital programme								
	Relevant policy areas: Lead Agencies:							
District Wide British Waterways/Canal and River Trust					•			

DWI.37 Signal improv	ements at Bath Spa & Bristol area	Category: Transpor	t	Status: Desirable				
Signalling renewals by Network Rail at Bristol TM, Bristol Signalling Centre area, and repositioning of signals at Bath Spa will improve reliability, provide additional capacity and reduced platform reoccupation times. This facilitates an enhanced cross-Bristol service benefiting Bath Spa, Oldfield Park and Keynsham								
Cost: Potential Funding Sources:								
Not quantified	<ul> <li>Network Rail Discretionary Fund</li> </ul>							
	<ul> <li>Network Rail Seven Day Railway Fund</li> </ul>							
Risks:								
Contingencies: The so control period	heme has authorisation to draw on the Network Rail Discretionary	Fund and Seven Day I	Railway Fund duri	ng Network Rail's CP4				
Evidence:		Phasing:						
	ne Route Utilisation Strategy (RUS)	2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	/21 2021/22-2025/26				
Network Rail Route P		✓						
Network Rail CP4 Delivery Plan 2011 <a href="http://www.networkrail.co.uk/aspx/12070.aspx">http://www.networkrail.co.uk/aspx/12070.aspx</a>								
		Relevant policy are	eas:	Lead Agencies:				
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		Bath Keynsham		Network Rail				

**Status: Key** 

The Greater Bristol Metro Rail Project will provide improvements to suburban services around Bristol, including improved frequency to provide half hourly services involving new rolling stock and some new infrastructure. This scheme is promoted within JLTP3 and is a priority for the West of England Joint Transport Executive Committee to be included in the new Great Western Franchise. Emerging work from Halcrow recommends the scheme to be delivered in two phases. Phase 1 (2013-18) includes:

- Portishead: following reopening new half hourly service to Bristol Temple Meads
- Bath Spa to Severn Beach: new hourly service stopping at Oldfield Park, Keynsham, Bristol Temple Meads and stations to Severn Beach
- Severn Beach line: half hourly service created by the above

This requires a **new turn-back facility at Bathampton Junction**.

The scheme has been assessed by the West of England Joint Transport Executive Committee as affordable and deliverable through devolved major schemes initial assessment criteria and forms part of the West of England short list.

### Cost:

- The combined capital costs of the entire phase 1 are estimated at £35.66m (WoE cost)
- Turnback facility at Bathamption: £2.76m
- Revenue support likely to be required for a minimum of three years

# **Potential Funding Sources:**

- Network Rail
- DfT/Devolved Major local transport Schemes Budget/ Major Transport Scheme Funding

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- Great Western franchise holder
- Developer and private sector contributions

**Risks:** Greater Bristol Metro Rail Project not funded in current Comprehensive Spending Review period to March 2015. All new station proposals must provide a business case and go through the Network Rail GRIP project management process. Relies on scheme being included in the new Great Western franchise. No scheme/service can be implemented without Network Rail's consent. New services will only be provided by the train operating company who wins the Great Western Franchise.

**Contingencies:** All works fall under Network Rail's permitted development rights. Discussions are on-going with Network Rail and the four bidders for the Great Western franchise. The new franchise contains phase 1 as a Priced Option.

- Great Western Mainline Route Utilisation Strategy (RUS)
- Network Rail Route Plan K 2011 Update
- Joint Local Transport Plan 3
- West of England Joint Transport Executive Committee
- Halcrow study (2012): http://www.travelwest.info/sites/default/files/West%20of%20England%20Rail%20Studies%20FINAL%20report%20April%2012.pdf

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Relevant policy areas:	Lead Agencies:
District wide	West of England
	Partnership; Network
	Rail; Train
	Operator(s): DfT

### DWI.38b MetroWest Rail Project New Stations Package: new station at Saltford

Category: Transport Status: Desirable

Saltford station was closed in 1970 at which time the platforms and station buildings were removed. The site has since been used for a variety of building and storage purposes but has not been redeveloped. New stations are identified as longer term schemes in JLTP3 and will form part of the Greater Bristol Metro. Three new stations are proposed on existing/new lines subject to individual business cases. These are:

- Saltford
- Ashton Gate
- Corsham

Trains stopping at a new Saltford station would have to fit in with services which stop at Keynsham and/or Oldfield Park which currently enjoy an hourly service. The new Great Western Franchise represents an opportunity to press for the re-opening of the station. The West of England, as part of its representations to DfT on the Great Western Franchise consultation has shown that one additional station could be provided between Bristol and Bath within the service pattern provided as part of the Greater Bristol Metro Rail Project. The Halcrow study suggests that the station might attract some 200 new passengers to rail services (400 trips/day).

In order to develop the business case for this project funds are required in the order of £250,000 over the next three years. Cabinet has agreed a budget of £100,000 to undertake an initial High Level Option Assessment. The scheme has been assessed by the West of England Joint Transport Executive Committee as affordable and deliverable through devolved major schemes initial assessment criteria and forms part of the West of England short list. The scheme has currently reached GRIP Stage 1 under Network Rail's project management process.

#### Cost:

• £5.5m for new station (Halcrow estimate based on industry experience).

## **Potential Funding Sources:**

- Network Rail
- DfT/Devolved major scheme funding
- Great Western franchise holder
- Developer and private sector contributions
- Major Transport Scheme Funding

**Risks:** Greater Bristol Metro Rail Project not funded in current Comprehensive Spending Review period to March 2015. All new station proposals must provide a business case and go through the Network Rail GRIP project management process. This will be dependent upon the support and engagement of Network Rail. Relies on scheme being included in the new Great Western franchise. Planning consent required for new station.

**Contingencies:** Once the High Level Option Assessment has been completed further approvals will be sought including estimates of cost of design and capital costs. In the longer term the project would be required to pass through the Council's capital approval process. Under the Franchise Agreement the train operator will be required to work in good faith with the local authorities to bring proposals forward.

- Great Western Mainline Route Utilisation Strategy (RUS)
- Network Rail Route Plan K 2011 Update
- Joint Local Transport Plan 3
- West of England Joint Transport Executive Committee
- Halcrow study (2012):
  - http://www.travelwest.info/sites/default/files/West%20of%20England%20Rail%20Studies%20FINAL%20report%20April%2012.pdf
- B&NES Cabinet Report E2426 13<sup>th</sup> June 2012 http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s20845/E2426%20Saltford%20Station.pdf

Phasing:					
2011/12-	)11/12- <b>2016/17-</b>		2021/22-		
2015/16	2020/21		2025/26		
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Relevant poli	cy areas:	Lead Agencies:			
	, , ,		West of England		
District wide		Partnership;			
		Network Rail; Train			
		On	erator(s): DfT		

## **DWI.39 Flood Risk and Drainage**

Category: Water & Drainage

District wide

Status: Key

B&NES is a lead local flood authority and is developing a Local Flood Risk Management Strategy as required under the Flood and Water Management Act 2010.

B&NES will become a SUDS Approval Body under this legislation which is expected in April 2013.

Under the Act, NPPF, Local Plan and emerging Core Strategy all developments will need to incorporate SUDs to minimise flood risk, manage surface water and encourage natural drainage and ground water recharge.

The preferred and most cost-effective approach to managing surface water on development sites is to use a variety of SUDs incorporated into the landscape and pavements masterplans. This approach sets a priority on 'source control' (reducing the runoff at the source – where the rain falls). This can be achieved by incorporating permeable surfaces into the design such as green roofs or permeable paving. Secondly any excess flow during intense storms may be controlled and attenuated in a secondary system such as a retention pond or cellular storage.

Cost: Scheme specific

## **Potential Funding Sources:**

• Developer contributions/development requirement

#### Risks:

## **Contingencies:**

### **Evidence:**

- Flood and Water Management Act 2010
   <a href="http://www.defra.gov.uk/environment/flooding/legislation/">http://www.defra.gov.uk/environment/flooding/legislation/</a>
- Weston Village Development Water Infrastructure and Geotechnical Prioritisation Report (Arup, 2013)

Phasing:						
2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020	/21	2021/22-2025/26			
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Relevant policy areas:		Lead A	Agencies:			
		•	Developers			

**B&NES Council** 

## DWI.40 Community Libraries and 'Library Links'

Category: Water & Drainage

Status: Desirable

Under the Library 3 Year Service Plan community libraries will be supported, i.e. library collections in local community centres/village halls, managed by local groups/organisations which would receive support from the library service in the form of materials and targeted activities. 3 community libraries will be set up by March 2013 and further ones planned with local communities in the following years. 'Library links' will also be set up in places such as post offices, village shops etc where reservations can be collected and returned.

Community libraries could be created in locations such as Larkhall (pilot), Combe Hay/Wellow, Western Riverside, Peasedown St John and Bishop Sutton.

The contribution that libraries can make to improving the social environment and achieving corporate objectives is significant, particularly by creating proud neighbourhoods with a focal point for community activity and informal social interaction. Relatively small funding can make a significant improvement to communities.

#### Cost:

## **Potential Funding Sources:**

- Library budget
- Parish Councils (potential)
- Community development grants could be put in place with potential to link to CIL.

#### Risks:

No funding is yet available to support community development grants; there is currently a gap in funding.

# **Contingencies:**

#### **Evidence:**

Library 3 Year Service Plan: <a href="http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s16349/E2380%20Library%20Plan%202012-15.pdf">http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s16349/E2380%20Library%20Plan%202012-15.pdf</a>

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2011/12-2015/16		2016/17-2020/21		2021/22-2025/26			
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	Relevant policy area	s:	Lead A	Agencies:			
	District wide			<b>B&amp;NES</b> Council			

DWI.41 Smart Meter Rollout		Category: Energy	Status:	Key			
The rollout of smart meters is a Nationally Significant Scheme as identified in the National Infrastructure Plan. The rollout is due to complete by 2020 so that electricity consumers can participate actively in helping reduce carbon intensity (by consuming less energy) and maintain security of supply (by smoothing their consumption over time). Development of the communications and data infrastructure required to support smart meters is expected to commence by 2015. D							
Cost:	Cost:  Potential Funding Sources:  DECC Private Sector						
Risks:							
Contingencies:							
Evidence:		Phasing:					
• National Infrastructure Plan: <a href="http://cdn.hm">http://cdn.hm</a> 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26							
<u>ireasury.gov.uk/natio</u>	nal_infrastructure_plan291111.pdf	>	<b>√</b>				
Relevant policy areas:  • District wide  Lead Agencies:  • DECC							

# Bath

### **BI.1 Bath Transport Package**

**Category: Transport** 

Status: Key

The Bath Transportation Package (BTP) is a £26.9 million scheme designed to tackle congestion in Bath and the surrounding area by improving public transport and enhancing pedestrian access for the benefit of residents, commuters and visitors. The BTP received final approval from the DfT on 11th July 2012.

The BTP includes the following elements:

- Upgrades to bus stop infrastructure on 9 service routes, including real time passenger information (100 bus stops now upgraded);
- Expansion of Odd Down Park and Ride by 250 spaces (now complete), Lansdown Park and Ride by 390 spaces (now complete), and Newbridge Park and Ride by 250 spaces;
- Variable message signs on the main approaches to Bath, and within the city centre;
- City centre works including High Street improvements (under construction) and timed access restrictions;
- Works to support Bath Western Riverside including a Bus Rapid Transit system serving the site.
- Bus upgrades (36 now equipped with real time information equipment)

Infrastructure construction activities are programmed to commence in August 2012 and complete 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2014 with the system in operation from this date. Installation of the final elements of equipment (final bus shelter locations) will continue until 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2015.

LOCAL AUTHORITY MAJOR TRANSPORT SCHEMES (DEVELOPMENT POOL PROJECTS) HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED IN THE NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN AS ONE OF THE TOP 40 PRIORITY NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS.

Cost: £26.898 million

**Potential Funding Sources:** 

Department for Transport (£10.958m)

B&NES Council (£15.5m – consisting of £14m prudential borrowing, and £1.5m capital receipts)

Third Party Contributions: £0.4m

**Risks:** Risk Management Strategy in place. TRO process may take longer to deliver due to stakeholder consultation necessary. Contractor insolvency is a risk in the current economic climate. Performance of statutory undertakers could impact on programme of delivery.

**Contingencies:** The BTP received final approval from the DfT on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2012. All relevant planning permissions have been secured and remain valid. No further statutory permissions are needed.

#### **Evidence:**

- DfT Funding announcement: <a href="http://www.dft.gov.uk/news/press-releases/dft-press-20120711a/">http://www.dft.gov.uk/news/press-releases/dft-press-20120711a/</a>
- Application for full approval:
   <a href="http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/transportandstreets/transportpolicy/plansandstrateg">http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/transportandstreets/transportpolicy/plansandstrateg</a>
   ies/bathpackage/Pages/default.aspx
- Bath Transportation Package Major Scheme Bid:
   <a href="http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/transportandstreets/transportpolicy/plansandstrateg">http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/transportandstreets/transportpolicy/plansandstrateg</a>
   ies/bathpackage/Pages/default.aspx

Relevant policy areas: Lead Agencies:

Bath
District Wide benefits also as Bath
is the primary centre

B&NES Council

DfT

# BI.2 Improvements to Flood Defences of Bath City Centre and Riverside Corridor

Category: Water & Drainage

Status: Key

Developers cannot normally call on public resources to provide defences and other measures for their proposed development where they are not already programmed for the protection of existing development. The delivery of new or improved defences required to make new development safe would therefore normally be expected to be funded by the development. The potential for this infrastructure to contribute to strategic green infrastructure (DWI.18) will also need to be considered.

Some of the potential development sites within Bath lie within flood zones 2 and 3. The SFRA level 1 and 2 recommended on-site defences combined with upstream compensatory storage, subject to hydraulic modelling. Since the Inspector produced ID/28, a hydrological study by Black and Veatch has been completed and confirms that the impact of raising the development sites is a loss of conveyance, rather than a loss of flood storage. The report recommends that all key development sites (including housing and employment mixed use sites) to be raised to make new development safe and provide conveyance mitigation measures to compensate lost conveyance capacity.

The scheme can be delivered in a number of phases as development sites come forward. It is proposed to submit a planning application for the first phase scheme in the current year with a view to completing the works in 2014/15. This work, which will enable key employment sites in the Enterprise Area to come forward, will be funded by part of the RIF infrastructure funding awarded to B&NES by the LEP. Onsite defences combined with the conveyance mitigation scheme ensures that new development will be safe without increasing risk elsewhere, passing the Exception Test.

Working with the Environment Agency, the Council has agreed a technical solution capable of delivery:

## North Quays

Provision of a conveyance strip at the level of the tow path to offset the increase in flood risk, varying in width between 8m and 15m, extending c.300m along the River Avon. Will require the excavation of the existing grassed slope which would be reinstated landward of the conveyance strip. Downstream, proposal to locally excavate into the raised mound in Green Park to introduce a flood conveyance strip at a level of c.18mAOD. This will not require any modification of the existing river bank.

# South Quays

River frontage along South Quays will need to be replaced to facilitate construction of the development site, presenting an opportunity to provide a more consistent profile bank and new conveyance strip, similar to that provided at BWR downstream. Strip to be c.4m wide at a level of c.18mAOD, c.2m below the proposed ground level in South Quays.

# Lower Bristol Road

Proposal to raise the existing flood defence along this section to reduce the flood risk to Lower Bristol Road.

#### Cost:

• £5.1m (phase 1)

# **Potential Funding Sources:**

West of England LEP Revolving Infrastructure Fund (£3m); repaid through a combination of:

- Developer contributions (\$106 £4.3m) + other grant funding (Environment Agency £800k), OR
- City Deal business rate retention, OR
- CIL/repayment by Council

#### Risks:

- Unless flood mitigation is in place the development of river corridor sites will be compromised impacting on the objectives in the Council's Economic Strategy, Core Strategy, RDP's and Council's Capital Strategy.
- Theoretical risk that the repayable grant may not be repaid in full by the project, either as a result of market failure or potential default.
- Before any RIF funding can be drawn down from the Accountable Body each approved scheme must have a Scheme Investment Schedule prepared by the Sponsoring Authority and agreed with the LEP.
- Failure to meet the repayment time table could result in the Authority being asked to fund the repayment from other sources, exclusion from the RIF programme and further programmed funding being withdrawn.

### **Contingencies:**

- On site flood defences will still be required to complement the conveyance scheme. Developers will need to be aware of the flood risk management infrastructure along the river corridor in Bath.
- To ensure schemes are state aid compliant, all infrastructure funded through the RIF will be publically procured in line with the Councils Contract Standing Orders either directly or jointly between the Council and the private sector.
- RIF funds are interest free.

- Single Conversation: West of England Delivery & Infrastructure Investment Plan (2010)p7
- B&NES (2008) Strategic Flood Risk Assessment 1&2
- B&NES (2009) Strategic Flood Risk Management Strategy
- B&NES Green Infrastructure Strategy
- Evidence gathering for IDP (Development & Major Projects & Environment Agency)
- Bath Compensatory Storage Study Phase 1 Report (WYG November 2011)
- Draft PAFF (2012)
- Full Council Meeting (13th Sept 2012)
- B&NES Council Report (Feb 2013)
  - http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s24562/Core%20Strategy%20Annex%201.pdf
- Black and Veatch Bath Flood Risk Management Project: Technical Note (Feb 2013)
- Cabinet Meeting (April 2013): <a href="http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s25101/E2538%20Revolving%20Infrastructure%20Funding.pdf">http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s25101/E2538%20Revolving%20Infrastructure%20Funding.pdf</a>

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Relevant po areas: Bath	licy	Somerse Environr	encies: North East et Council; LEP; ment Agency; rners/Developers

## BI.3 Public Investment at Bath Western Riverside / Enterprise Area

Category: Site Specific Infrastructure

**Status: Key** 

Public investment is needed into a number of key regeneration delivery items to bring these sites forward. Investment items include - among others-infrastructure delivery, affordable housing, remediation and land assembly.

The Bath Western Riverside (BWR) SPD covers a 35ha area and outlines this area for a mixed use development.

Outline planning permission was granted in 2010 (06/01733/EOUT) for the site, mainly for residential development. Applications for reserved matters are now being implemented on a phased basis.

The Enterprise Area is a wider area (including BWR) totalling 98ha along the river corridor. Feilden Clegg Bradley Studios have been appointed by the Council to lead the preparation of a Masterplan for the whole area. They will advise on the delivery of key sites within the area and development opportunities.

#### Cost:

The BWR SPD outlines that gap funding for various delivery items will be needed (Part 3 Implementation Plan).

The approximate private sector investment as outlined by Crest Nicholson is £400M. Approximate private sector investment in the secured land area (approx. 800 units) £200M. Council investment in infrastructure within the secured land of £5.7m. HCA investment in affordable housing - £6.03m for Phase 1 providing 100 affordable homes

A total of £28m has been included in the West of England Delivery & Infrastructure Plan for the Enterprise Area to finance schemes including flood alleviation, land assembly and remediation, and affordable housing. This funding is to be accessed through specific bids and would be subject to the availability of finance at the time.

# **Potential Funding Sources:**

Council Capital Funding
Further public sector funding from HCA
Applied for through RGF revolving
infrastructure fund
Developer funding

SHLAA Reference: WES 1

Risks: Delivery Risk (contamination, flooding etc), Market Risk

HCA funding is to be accessed through specific bids and would be subject to the availability of finance at the time

**Contingencies:** Council has entered into a Corporate Agreement with Crest Nicholson for part of the site to support comprehensive delivery of the site parts which will be developed by Crest Nicholson.

#### **Evidence:**

Supplementary Planning Document Bath Western Riverside
Outline Planning Application No 06/01733/EOUT and associated documents
Detailed Planning Application No 06/04013/EFUL and associated documents
Evidence gathering for IDP (Development & Major Projects)
West of England Delivery & Infrastructure Plan

Phasing:					
2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	/21	2021/22-2025/26		
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Relevant policy area	s:	Lead Agencies:			
	B&NES				
Bath		Developer			
	HCA				

# BI.3a New early years facility and Primary School at Bath Western Riverside (Crest Category: Education Status: Kev Nicholson) Outline planning application for whole site, 06/01733/EOUT was permitted in December 2010 which included the requirement to provide a new single form entry primary school (Class D1). Outline planning application 06/01733/EOUT contains the following condition: "Not more than 1150 residential units within the development shall be occupied until a scheme for the provision of the primary school has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme to be submitted for approval shall include for the provision of access and services to the school site. Not more than 1250 residential units within the development shall be occupied unless the primary school has been completed and is ready for use by the local education authority in accordance with the approved scheme". SHLAA Reference: WES 1 Cost: c.£4,000,000 Potential Funding Sources: Crest to provide the land and building for a new 210 place primary school on their part of the BWR site. Risks: 06/01733/EOUT was granted outline planning permission in December 2010 Contingencies: There is a statutory obligation to provide sufficient primary school places. There could be some phasing options around the delivery of facilities. Phasing: Evidence: Evidence gathering for IDP (Local Education Authority) 2011/12-2015/16 2021/22-2025/26 2016/17-2020/21 SHLAA May 2011 Outline planning permission: 06/01733/EOUT Relevant policy areas: **Lead Agencies:**

Bath

Local Education Authority; Developers/Landowners

BI.3b New GP surgery at Bath Western Riverside		Category: Health	Status: Key				
Outline planning application for whole site, 06/01733/EOUT was permitted in December 2010 which included the requirement to provide a new GP surgery.  Outline planning application 06/01733/EOUT contains the following condition: "Not more than 500 residential units within the development shall be occupied on the green land or the red land on Plan 2 within the Section 106 legal agreement associated with this permission, until a scheme for the provision of accommodation for a Health Care Facility has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Not more than 750 residential units within the development shall be occupied on the green land or the red land until the accommodation for a Health Care Facility has been provided in accordance with the approved scheme".							
Cost: £1,500,000  Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions  SHLAA Reference: WES							
Risks: 06/01733/EOUT was granted outline planning permiss	sion in December 2010						
Contingencies:							
Evidence:		Phasing:					
• SHLAA May 2011 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26							
Outline planning permission: 06/01733/EOUT		✓					
		Relevant policy areas:	Lead Agencies:				
		Bath	B&NES PCT; Developer				

# BI.3c Floodplain storage compensation works at Bath Western Riverside Category: Water & Drainage **Status: Key** Outline planning application for whole site, 06/01733/EOUT was permitted in December 2010. Decision notice for 06/01733/EOUT contains the following conditions for on-site floodplain compensation storage works: "No development shall commence on Stage one until such time as a scheme for the provision of floodplain storage compensation works on land to the east of Midland Road, including details of any proposed phasing programme (and any proposed temporary stockpiling of materials), for fluvial events up to and including the 1 in 100 year (+20%) has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. No development approved by this permission shall be commenced on Stage three until such time as a scheme for the provision of floodplain storage compensation works on land to the west of Midland Road, including details of any proposed phasing programme (and any proposed temporary stockpiling of materials), for fluvial events up to and including the 1 in 100 year (+20%) has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority". The scheme for stage 1 has now been implemented. SHLAA Reference: WFS 1 Cost: Not quantified **Potential Funding Sources:** Developer contributions Risks: 06/01733/EOUT was granted outline planning permission in December 2010 **Contingencies:** Evidence: Phasing: Outline planning permission: 06/01733/EOUT 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26 Relevant policy areas: **Lead Agencies:** Bath Developers/Landowners: **B&NES** Council;

## BI.3d New vehicular bridge across the River Avon (Destructor Bridge replacement)

**Category: Transport** 

**Status: Key** 

Outline planning application for whole site, 06/01733/EOUT was permitted in December 2010 which included the requirement to provide a new vehicular bridge across the River Avon, in place of the Destructor Bridge (Midland Road)

Outline planning application 06/01733/EOUT contains the following condition: "Details of the design and construction of the replacement Destructor Bridge, including the soffit levels, and associated enabling works shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority prior to the removal of the existing bridge and construction of the replacement bridge. The replacement bridge shall be constructed in accordance with the approved details. Prior to the removal and replacement of the existing Destructor Bridge, a Method Statement shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority detailing the methodology and timescale for removal and replacement of the existing bridge and thereafter the works comprised in the Method Statement shall be carried out in accordance with the approved Method Statement".

"No more than 600 residential units within the development shall be occupied until a scheme for the replacement Destructor Bridge has been submitted to the Local Planning Authority for approval. Not more than 650 residential units within the development shall be occupied until the replacement Destructor Bridge has been completed and available for use so as to provide an open connection (excluding works to the footway west of Midland Road within the land coloured purple on Plan 2 within the Section 106 legal agreement associated with this permission) for vehicular traffic from the Upper Bristol Road across the Destructor Bridge and through the development in accordance with the approved scheme".

A Corporate Agreement between Crest Nicholson and B&NES stipulates that the Destructor Bridge, supporting a two lane road with pedestrian movements, needs to be completed prior to the occupation of the 650th unit. This is forecast for 2018 but with funding, the bridge construction can be brought forward to 2013 allowing the rate of development to be accelerated and the early delivery of homes. The Agreement also contracts the Council to contribute £1.8m towards the bridge.

Cost: £3.2million total cost	Potential Funding Sources:	SHLAA
	West of England LEP Revolving Infrastructure Fund, repaid	Reference:
	through Developer contributions (£1.8m)	WES 1

#### Risks:

- 06/01733/EOUT was granted outline planning permission in December 2010
- Theoretical risk that the repayable grant may not be repaid in full by the project, either as a result of market failure or potential default.
- Before any RIF funding can be drawn down from the Accountable Body each approved scheme must have a Scheme Investment Schedule prepared by the Sponsoring Authority and agreed with the LEP.
- Failure to meet the repayment time table could result in the Authority being asked to fund the repayment from other sources, exclusion from the RIF programme and further programmed funding being withdrawn.

## **Contingencies:**

- To ensure schemes are state aid compliant, all infrastructure funded through the RIF will be publically procured in line with the Councils Contract Standing Orders either directly or jointly between the Council and the private sector.
- RIF funding is interest free.

Evidence:	Phasing:

<ul><li>SHLAA May 2011</li><li>Outline planning permission: 06/01733/EOUT</li></ul>	2011/12- 2015/16	2016/17- 2020/21	2021/22- 2025/26
Cabinet Meeting (April 2013):		✓	
http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s25101/E2538%20Revolving%20Infrastructure%20Funding.pdf	Relevant polic	cy areas:	Lead Agencies:
	Bath		Developer; B&NES Council; LEP

# Bl.3e New pedestrian bridge across the River Avon **Category: Transport** Status: Desirable Outline planning application for whole site, 06/01733/EOUT was permitted in December 2010 which included the requirement to provide a new pedestrian bridge across the River Avon. Outline planning application 06/01733/EOUT contains the following condition: Prior to commencement of development on the land coloured red on Plan 2 within the Section 106 legal agreement associated with this permission, a Pedestrian Access Strategy shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Details of any new pedestrian bridge required under the pedestrian access strategy shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Plannina Authority prior to construction of the new bridge and removal of the existing ags pipe bridge. "If required by the approved Pedestrian Access Strategy as required by condition 34, no more than 1200 residential units within the development shall be occupied until a scheme for the pedestrian bridge has been submitted to the local planning authority for approval. Not more than 1300 residential units within the development shall be occupied until the Pedestrian Pipe Bridge has been completed and available for use in accordance with the approved scheme". Cost: £1,500,000 **Potential Funding Sources:** SHLAA Reference: WES 1 Developer contributions Risks: 06/01733/EOUT was granted outline planning permission in December 2010 Contingencies: **Evidence:** Phasing: SHLAA May 2011 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26 Outline planning permission: 06/01733/EOUT

Relevant policy areas:

Bath

**Lead Agencies:** 

Developer

BI.3f Enhanced pedestrian facilities, new paths and	cycleways at Bath Western Riverside	Category: Public Rea	lm	Status:	Key		
Outline planning application for whole site, 06/01733/EOUT was permitted in December 2010 which included the requirement to provide enhanced pedestrian facilities, new paths and cycleways at Bath Western Riverside							
Cost: Not quantified	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions			SHLA	AA Reference: WES 1		
Risks: 06/01733/EOUT was granted outline planni	ng permission in December 2010						
Contingencies:							
Evidence:		Phasing:					
SHLAA May 2011		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	21	2021/22-2025/26		
<ul> <li>Outline planning permission: 06/01733/EG</li> </ul>	DUT	>	>		>		
		<b>Relevant policy area</b> Bath	ıs:	<b>Lead A</b> Develo	Agencies: oper		

BI.3g New riverside park at Bath Western Riverside		Category: Green Infro	istructure	Status	: Кеу		
Outline planning application for whole site, 06/01733/EOUT was permitted in December 2010 which included the requirement to provide enhanced a new riverside park at Bath Western Riverside							
Cost: Not quantified	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions			SHL	AA Reference: WES 1		
Risks: 06/01733/EOUT was granted outline planning permiss	sion in December 2010						
Contingencies:							
Evidence:		Phasing:					
SHLAA May 2011		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	21	2021/22-2025/26		
Outline planning permission: 06/01733/EOUT		>	>		>		
		Relevant policy area	s:	Lead A	Agencies:		
		Bath		Developer			

# BI.3h Relocation of Midland Road civic waste facility Category: Waste **Status: Key** Outline planning application for whole site, 06/01733/EOUT was permitted in December 2010. Part of the wider Bath Western Riverside site lies on the north bank of the river, which is currently occupied by the Midland Road Depot which contains various Council operated refuse, cleansing and recycling uses, including waste compaction and transfer. This site needs to be relocated elsewhere in Bath to enable development. This will be triggered by progress of the BWR development and/or in particular a redevelopment offer/agreement for the Midland Road land. The new site in Bath will need to accommodate recycling facilities only. Waste compaction and transfer will transfer to Keynsham (KI.19). The Council are currently considering potential sites. Cost: Land purchase and relocation: £4.6m **Potential Funding Sources:** SHLAA Reference: WES 1 **B&NES Council** Risks: 06/01733/EOUT was granted outline planning permission in December 2010. Suitable alternative site has to be found. Contingencies: Site needs to be allocated in the Placemaking Plan **Evidence:** Phasing: • SHLAA May 2011 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26 Outline planning permission: 06/01733/EOUT Relevant policy areas: **Lead Agencies:** Bath **B&NES** Council;

# BI.3i New on-site primary sub station at Bath Western Riverside Category: Energy Status: Key Outline planning application for whole site, 06/01733/EOUT was permitted in December 2010. Later phases of the Bath Western Riverside development will require a new on-site primary sub station to ensure continuity of supply. Wales and West Utilities state that this should take the form of a new 33/11kv primary substation, which will require an access road adequate for a low loader with a rigid body length of 26.5m. Cost: Not quantified **Potential Funding Sources:** SHLAA Reference: WES 1 Developer contributions Western Power Distribution Risks: 06/01733/EOUT was granted outline planning permission in December 2010 **Contingencies: Evidence:** Phasing: • SHLAA May 2011 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26 Outline planning permission: 06/01733/EOUT • Evidence gathering for IDP (Western Power Distribution) Relevant policy areas: **Lead Agencies:** Bath **B&NES** Council; Developer; Western Power Distribution

The Windsor House Gas Holder Station was built in the early 19th century for gas to be manufactured on site from coal using a coal gasification process. The gas generated was then stored in the gas holders. Site manufacture of gas from coal ceased in the mid-20th century and the gas used now is natural gas piped in using the nationwide distribution network. Only one of the original three gas holders now remains which stores natural gas at a very low pressure. It is of the 'cup and grip' water seal type and has a capacity of 79te. It consists of a series of co-axial cylinders which are able to rise and fall depending on the quantity of gas to be stored at any given time.

Outline planning application for whole site (06/01733/EOUT) was permitted in December 2010. The decommissioning and removal of the Windsor House Gas Holder Station is an essential prerequisite to the redevelopment of much of Bath Western Riverside and its environs. The gasholder is still used to supply local homes and businesses. Wales & West Utilities (the owner and operator of the gas works) state it can be removed / decommissioned once an alternative is available. The Health and Safety Executive has defined a 300m Safety Zone around the site in which development is severely restricted.

The outline permission (06/01733/EOUT) decision notice contains a condition to the effect: "The development of residential accommodation, commercial premises, or any other permanent building designed for occupation shall not be occupied within the Inner or Middle Consultation Zones shown on the attached Health and Safety Executive plan until Windsor Gas Holder Station has been permanently decommissioned to the satisfaction of the Local Planning Authority in consultation with the Health and Safety Executive and the hazardous substances consent applicable to the three gas holders has been removed."

Wales & West Utilities would need to reinforce the network before decommissioning the gas holder by undertaking substantial off site reinforcement.

Crest Nicholson, on behalf of the Bath Riverside development, has exclusivity arrangements in place with Wales & West Utilities so that comprehensive arrangements can be put in place to decommission and demolish the remaining gas holder to facilitate continuity of development. Crest and Wales & West have now agreed Heads of Terms. The works are scheduled to commence in summer 2013 and be completed in 2014/15. In parallel the LEP has earmarked funding for the associated works and the Council and Crest Nicholson are currently undertaking due diligence as a pre-condition to draw down. As the LEP funds are from the Revolving Infrastructure Fund, it is implicit that they will need to be repaid at some stage.

The costs involved have reduced significantly from the first Wales & West Utilities estimate which was produced in conjunction with the Bath Press application (12/01999/FUL) from Tesco. This involved installing a new High Pressure (HP) gas main to the south of Bath, but subsequent investigations by Wales & West show that it is possible to store the gas in existing pipelines, thus significantly reducing the costs involved. The new scheme comprises the disconnection and purging of the tank, off site infrastructure modifications to the WWU asset network, decontamination and demolition of the sub and superstructure.

(	Cost:	Potential Funding Sources:	SHLAA
	• £4.1m	West of England LEP Revolving Infrastructure Fund; repaid through a combination of:	Reference:
		<ul> <li>£650,000 from secured land + £3.45m from contracted obligation on developer or upon sale of acquired</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>WES 1</li> </ul>
		land within BWR by Council, OR	
		City Deal business rate retention, OR	
		Potential for CIL funding; OR	

Repayment by Council

#### Risks:

- Risks associated with engineering, planning and easement/land ownership for the reinforcement are considered manageable.
- Theoretical risk that the repayable grant may not be repaid in full by the project, either as a result of market failure or potential default.
- Before any RIF funding can be drawn down from the Accountable Body each approved scheme must have a Scheme Investment Schedule prepared by the Sponsoring Authority and agreed with the LEP.
- Failure to meet the repayment time table could result in the Authority being asked to fund the repayment from other sources, exclusion from the RIF programme and further programmed funding being withdrawn.

### **Contingencies:**

- 06/01733/EOUT was granted outline planning permission in December 2010. Work undertaken by WWU confirms that a physical solution is deliverable. Scheme to decommission the Gas holder has been agreed by Crest Nicholson and Wales & West Utilities.
- To ensure schemes are state aid compliant, all infrastructure funded through the RIF will be publically procured in line with the Councils Contract Standing Orders either directly or jointly between the Council and the private sector.
- RIF funding is interest free

- Outline planning permission: 06/01733/EOUT
- Core Strategy Topic Paper 8 (September 2011)
- Bath Press planning application (12/01999/EFUL)
- B&NES Core Strategy Hearing Statement BNES/7
- Crest Nicholson status report (January 2013)
- B&NES Council Report (Feb 2013)
  - http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s24562/Core%20Strategy%20Annex%201.pdf
- Cabinet Meeting (April 2013): <a href="http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s25101/E2538%20Revolving%20Infrastructure%20Funding.pdf">http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s25101/E2538%20Revolving%20Infrastructure%20Funding.pdf</a>

	Phasing:						
	2011/12-	2016/	17-	2021/22-			
	2015/16	2020/	21	2025/26			
	✓						
	Relevant polic	У	Lead Agencies:				
	areas:						
	Bath			Crest Nicholson;			
				NES Council;			
			LEP	; HCA; Wales &			
			We	st Utilities; HSE			

BI.3k Windsor Bridge Road Improvements		Category: Transport Status: Desirable			
Enhanced junctions with Upper and Lower Bristol Roads wit	th public realm improvements				
Cost: £170,000	Potential Funding Sources:	2	SHLAA Reference:	WES 1	
Risks:					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
Major Projects	2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020	/21	2021/22-2025/26	
		✓			
		Relevant policy are	eas:	Lead	Agencies:
		Bath			

BI.3I Re-routing Pinesway Gyratory		Category: Transport		Status	: Desirable
Cost:	Potential Funding Sources:	SH	ILAA Reference:	WES 1	
Risks:					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
Major Projects		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020	/21	2021/22-2025/26
		>	>		>
		Relevant policy area	ıs:	Lead /	Agencies:
		Bath			

### BI.3m Victoria Bridge reopening

**Category: Transport** 

Status: Desirable

Victoria Bridge was built in 1836 and has a Grade 2\* listing. The bridge has historic value, provides an important route for pedestrians (including a route to school) and is a key gateway to the Western Riverside development. The introduction of a sizeable new population at Western Riverside will increase the importance of the crossing point provided by the bridge.

The bridge is in a poor condition and following structural assessments in 2010 it was found necessary to close the bridge to pedestrians and cyclists.

Monitoring in 2011 highlighted significant and rapid deterioration with structural failure being a significant risk. Temporary works to secure the bridge were completed in December 2011.

Dismantling the existing superstructure and reconstructing in its original form and function, using steel components to achieve the necessary strength and performance criteria for the bridge to be used as a Public Highway asset, whilst retaining original ironwork where otherwise possible is the preferred option. English Heritage has accepted in principle that this option is an appropriate solution to take forward.

A solution to improve the linkage between Victoria Bridge Road and the River Avon towpath is now part of the project scope. This has potential to improve local access for pedestrians, cyclists and wheelchair users.

In June 2012 the Council Cabinet gave funding approval for the permanent Bridge solution to be designed and installed. \$106 contributions from the Western Riverside development are confined to non-structural works to the Bridge. An application for listed building consent for the refurbishment proposals will be submitted to the Council in summer 2013, with work to be completed by 2014.

Cost: £3,400,000	Potent	tial Funding Sources:	SHLAA Reference: WES 1	Funding Gap?	(Requires Council
	•	B&NES Council			borrowing)
	•	BWR s106 contribution (£500,000)			
	•	English Heritage – minor funding towards project		Potential for CIL?	
		development and research			

#### Risks:

- English Heritage are unable to fully endorse this option as an acceptable scheme without the benefit of more detailed design proposals which will be produced during the next stage of design.
- Failure to replace the bridge will disadvantage young people and the elderly who do not have access to a motor vehicle and will be denied a desirable pedestrian route across the River.

### Contingencies:

#### Evidence:

B&NES Cabinet Report E2428 (June 2012)
 <a href="http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s20846/E2428%20Victoria%20Bridge.pdf">http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s20846/E2428%20Victoria%20Bridge.pdf</a>

	Phasing:							
	2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/21		2021/22-2025/26				
<u>.</u>	✓							
	Relevant policy area	s:	Lead Agencies:					
	• Bath		•	B&NES Council				

BI.4 Improvements to B	ath Spa Train Station	Category: Transport		Status: Complete						
<ul> <li>Capital improvements to the station commenced in Autumn 2011 and are to be delivered in 2 parts:</li> <li>Initial works: Lift &amp; Toilets</li> <li>Remaining works: Excavation of ramp &amp; completion of station environment including refurbishment of vaults works due to commence October 2011 including Front plaza and 2 storey retail units.</li> </ul>										
Cost: £10,000,000  Potential Funding Sources:  Network Rail National Stations Improvement Programme (NSIP) First Great Western Southgate \$106										
Risks: Complete										
Contingencies: Complete										
Evidence: Phasing:										
Evidence gathering for II Bath Western Riverside SI	Evidence gathering for IDP (Transport)		2016/17-2020/2	21 2021/22-2025/26						
	Route Utilisation Strategy (RUS)	✓								
Network Rail Route Plan	Relevant policy areas:		Lead Agencies:							
etwork Rail CP4 Delivery plan 2012 http://www.networkrail.co.uk/aspx/12070.aspx		Bath Keynsham		Network Rail; Developers & Landowners; First Great Western						

BI.5: Bath Parking Strategy has been superseded by the Bath Transport Strategy; this item has now been deleted from the IDP.

BI.6: Bath Central Library will now remain at the Podium; this item has now been deleted from the IDP.

BI.6a Riverside enhancemen	ts as part of GDS.1/B16 Hilton Hotel / Podium / Cattlemarket	Category: Green Infr	astructure	Status	: Key
	ite as being suitable for approximately 48 dwellings. The site is heme including the enhancement of the riverside area, inclu				
Cost: not known	Potential Funding Sources:  Development requirement for the Podium/Cattlemarket site	SHLAA Reference:	ABB 6		
Risks: Podium/Cattlemarket s	ite may fail to come forward in the plan period.				
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
<ul> <li>SHLAA (May 2011)</li> </ul>		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020	/21	2021/22-2025/26
		>	>		>
		Relevant policy area	s:	Lead A	Agencies:
		Bath		lando	m/Cattlemarket site wner/developer S Council

### BI.7: Bath Centre District Heating Network

**Category: Energy** 

Status: Key

The implementation of a district heating scheme in Bath has been investigated and shown to have the potential to deliver significant CO<sub>2</sub> reductions (3097 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> pa) and long-term financial (3.96% IRR) returns. As such it has been identified as one of three key district heating areas, so the draft Core Strategy's Core Policy 4 expects developers in this priority area to install district heating systems.

Cost: £5.010.224

**Potential Funding Sources:** 

Private financing from third-party ESCOs Developer contribution

Renewable Heat Incentive/Feed In Tariff

**Risks:** Attracting large enough customer base on long term heat contracts to realise carbon savings and financial returns.

Developer contributions can only be received where network connections are agreed prior to construction. Capturing large development sites improves project returns.

**Contingencies:** Many approaches have been used throughout the UK to take advantage of economic opportunities of installing district heating on key sites such as these which have been demonstrated to be financially viable. For example developers can engage external Energy Services Company to satisfy the planning requirement for district heating and generate revenues from the sale of heat and/or electricity. As noted above Government continues to develop incentives for renewable heat that can be utilised to improve viability.

#### **Evidence:**

B&NES District Heating Study (AECOM, 2010)
B&NES Renewable Energy Capacity Study (CAMCO, 2010)
B&NES Sustainability Team

Phasing:

Relevant policy areas:

Lead Agencies:

Bath & North East

Bath

Somerset Council; Landowners/Developers;

Energy Services Company

### BI.8: Bath Enterprise Area District Heating Network

**Category: Energy** 

Status: Key

The implementation of a district heating scheme in the Bath Riverside development corridor has been investigated and shown to have the potential to deliver significant CO<sub>2</sub> reductions (3401 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> pa) and long-term financial (6.85% IRR) returns. As such it has been identified as one of three key district heating areas, so the draft Core Strategy's Core Policy 4 expects developers in this priority area to install district heating systems. Since an existing district heating system exists on the Bath Western Riverside development, developers in the Bath Riverside area are expected to connect to this system.

### Cost:

£5,448,996

### **Potential Funding Sources:**

Private financing from third-party ESCOs Developer contributions Renewable Heat Incentive/Feed In Tariff

Risks: Attracting large enough customer base on long term heat contracts to realise carbon savings and financial returns.

The network requires large development sites to connect to the network. If planning consent is given prior to an agreement to connect the customer base may be locked out. Capturing large development sites is vital to project feasibility, for heat demand and for developer contributions.

**Contingencies:** Many approaches have been used throughout the UK to take advantage of economic opportunities of installing district heating on key sites such as these which have been demonstrated to be financially viable. The Bath Western Riverside development has engaged an external Energy Services Company to satisfy a planning requirement for district heating which was laid out in the SPD for that site. As noted above Government continues to develop incentives for renewable heat that can be utilised to improve viability.

#### Evidence:

B&NES District Heating Study (AECOM, 2010)
B&NES Renewable Energy Capacity Study (CAMCO, 2010)
B&NES Sustainability Team

## Phasing:

2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/21	2021/22-2025/26
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Relevant policy areas:	Lead Agencies:
Bath Riverside	Bath & North East Somerset Council; Landowners/Developers

# **Category: Education** BI.9a New early years facility and primary school at MOD Foxhill site Status: Key The re-development of MOD Foxhill, Bath is likely to trigger the need for a new early years facility and primary school on site, this is likely to be required in the early stages of development in order to accommodate the children from the new development as they appear. Cost: c.£4,000,000 **Potential Funding Sources: SHLAA Reference:** CDN3 Developer contributions/CIL Risks: Changes in government policy could change the way in which education is delivered. Contingencies: There is a statutory obligation to ensure sufficiency of early years and primary school provision. **Evidence:** Phasing: Evidence gathering for IDP (Local Education Authority) 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26 SHLAA (May 2011) ➤ Potential for CIL ➤ Potential for CIL capital capital Relevant policy areas: **Lead Agencies:** Bath Local Education Authority; Developers/Landowners

### BI.9b Highways infrastructure associated with MOD Foxhill site

**Category: Transport** 

**Status: Key** 

The MOD Foxhill site is designated as a General Development Site in the Local Plan, with requirements for a main vehicular access onto Bradford Road, with at least one secondary access onto Foxhill incorporating traffic calming measures.

The SHLAA expands on this requirement, stating that visibility splays will need to be provided in line with the guidance of 'Manual for Streets'; existing multiple access points onto Bradford Road will need to be rationalised and footways reinstated; the access and on-site roads of adoptable standard are required; any increased of the use of the Bradford Road junction may require upgraded access (i.e. right-turn lane, roundabout) due to the need to avoid obstruction on this road. Cycle parking is required.

A Transport Assessment accompanying a planning application should consider impact on Bradford Road, and further afield as necessary. Particularly sensitive junctions might include Ralph Allen Drive, Brassknocker Hill and the Glasshouse double-mini roundabout. The site is likely to have a significant strategic impact. The cumulative effect of this and other SHLAA sites nearby is likely to affect the performance of the following junctions: A3062 / Foxhill / Cleevedale Rd, A3062 North Rd/ Ralph Allen Drive & A3062 / Entry Hill.

Cost: Not yet quantified.

Potential Funding Sources:
Developer contributions

SHLAA Reference: CDN3

#### Risks:

### **Contingencies:**

#### **Evidence:**

- SHLAA (May 2011)
- B&NES Local Plan (Adopted October 2007)

# Phasing:

2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/21	2021/22-2025/26
		➤ \$106: Potential for CIL capital

Relevant policy areas:

Bath

Local Highway Authority;
Developers/Landowners

BI.9c Green Infrastructure ass	ociated with MOD Foxhill site	Category: Green Infr	astructure	Status	: Key
	ated as a General Development Site in the Local Plan, with re g and reinforcement and maintenance of northern boundar	quirements for the ret	ention and enh	ancem	ent of existing
Cost: Not yet quantified.	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions	SHLAA Reference:	: CDN3		
Risks:					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
<ul> <li>SHLAA (May 2011)</li> </ul>		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	/21	2021/22-2025/26
B&NES Local Plan (Ad	opted October 2007)		>		>
		Relevant policy area	is:	Lead	Agencies:
Bath Dev		Devel	lopers/Landowners		

BI.9d Gas infrastructure at MO	D Foxhill site	Category: Energy		Status	: Key
	Foxhill Bath is likely to require the laying of Medium Pressure nonnection points are available closer to the site but would re				
Cost: Not quantified	Potential Funding Sources: Wales & West Utilities/Developer contributions	SHLAA Reference:	CDN3		
Risks:					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
<ul> <li>Wales &amp; West Utilities</li> </ul>		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	/21	2021/22-2025/26
			>		>
		Relevant policy area	s:	Lead	Agencies:
		Bath		Wales Devel	s & West Utilities; loper

BI.9e Water infrastructure at MOD Foxhill site  Category: Water and drainage Status: Key				Key	
Foul drainage - site to be serv	ved by separate systems of on-site drainage provided by the	developer.			
Cost: Not quantified	Potential Funding Sources: Wessex Water / Developer contributions	SHLAA Reference	: CDN3		
Risks:					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
<ul> <li>Wessex Water</li> </ul>		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020	/21	2021/22-2025/26
			>		>
		Relevant policy areas: Lead Agencies:		gencies:	
		Bath		Wessex	k Water; Developer

BI.9f New Primary Care Facilit	y at MOD Foxhill site	Category: Health		Status	: Кеу
See Concept Statement					
Cost: £1,500,000 (estimate based on BWR GP facility)	Potential Funding Sources:  • PCT • Developer Contributions	SHLAA Reference:	: CDN3		
Risks:					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
• PCT		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	/ <mark>21</mark>	2021/22-2025/26
			>		>
		Relevant policy area	is:	Lead	Agencies:
		Bath		Wesse	ex Water; Developer

## BI.10a Re-provision of the Manvers Street Royal Mail Bath Delivery Office **Category: Community Facilities** Status: Kev The draft core Strategy seeks to "regenerate and repair a number of areas within the Central Area to create new areas of attractive and productive townscape and a much improved relationship between the city and its river." The Royal Mail delivery office falls within one such area and therefore needs to be relocated. The site could form part of a phased or comprehensive redevelopment of the area alongside the neighbouring police station and public car park. The SHLAA states that Royal Mail may contemplate relocation if offered a large consideration for land holding – thus making relocation financially worthwhile. However, alternative (half acre) city centre site unlikely to be available. Central location considered important as postal services in Bath are centred on postmen 'walking' to their rounds. An out-of-centre or edge of city location might increase operating costs. It is unlikely that an alternative city centre site will become available although there may be options out-of-centre. Site not likely to be available in the short to medium term (5-10 yrs). Longer term availability (10 years+) dependent on future technologies /operational requirements and potential opportunities for relocation. Cost: £4,700,000 **Potential Funding Sources:** SHLAA Reference: ABB 3 - Developer - Royal Mail Risks: A sufficiently adequate site needs to be found **Contingencies:** Evidence: Phasing: Evidence gathering for IDP (Royal Mail) 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26 SHLAA (May 2011) **Lead Agencies:** Relevant policy areas: Developer

Bath

**B&NES Council** 

Royal Mail

BI.10b Provision of a significa	BI.10b Provision of a significant new public space at Manvers Street Category: Public Realm Status: Desirable					
	y centre redevelopment opportunity. Development in this area ty contemporary development which respects the historic cor		•			
Cost: Not yet quantified.	Potential Funding Sources: - Developer	SHLAA Reference:	ABB 4&5			
Risks:						
Contingencies:						
Evidence:		Phasing:				
SHLAA (May 2011)		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	<b>′21</b>	2021/22-2025/26	
			>			
		Relevant policy area	s:	Lead .	Agencies:	
		Bath Developer B&NES Council		•		

BI.10c Relocation of Manvers Street car park  Category: Transport  Status: Key					Key	
ABB 4&5 offer a mixed use city centre redevelopment opportunity. This site includes the existing Council owned car park which needs to be relocated elsewhere in the city on alternative Council owned land.						
Cost: Not yet quantified.	Cost: Not yet quantified.  Potential Funding Sources: - B&NES Council  SHLAA Reference: ABB 4&5					
Risks: Site to be decided						
Contingencies:						
Evidence:		Phasing:				
		2021/22-2025/26				
		Relevant policy are	as:	Lead A	Agencies:	
		Bath		Develo B&NES	oper Council	

BI.10d Relocation of Manvers Street Police Station Category: Community Facilities Status: Desirable					: Desirable
ABB 4&5 offer a mixed use city centre redevelopment opportunity. This site includes the existing Police Station which needs to be relocated elsewhere in the city. A smaller station is required than the present one due to cells being transferred to the new custody centre being developed in Keynsham (see DWI.23).					
Cost: £3,000,000	Potential Funding Sources:	SHLAA Reference:	ABB 4&5		
Risks: Site to be decided					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
Draft PAFF (2012)		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020	/21	2021/22-2025/26
			✓		
		Relevant policy area	s:	Lead .	Agencies:
		Bath		Devel B&NES	oper S Council

## BI.11 West of England Key Commuter Routes: Local Sustainable Transport Fund Key Component Bid

Category: Transport

**Status: Complete** 

'Key Commuter Routes' is an integrated package promoting low carbon alternatives to single occupancy car-use on six key commuter corridors capturing 40% of journeys to work across the West of England. This bid covers the West of England travel to work area. A combination of walking, cycling and public transport infrastructure will be supported by a package of marketing, promotion and other interventions to support modal change. Significant work has already taken place along these corridors under the auspices of the Greater Bristol Bus Network and Cycling City projects. The actions will enable the West of England Authorities to capitalise on this work.

On the Batheaston/Bath Spa University to Bath corridor, actions will be focused on building the missing links of cycle and pedestrian routes that will link the main commuter corridors. A new route will be created between Bath Spa University and the Bristol/Bath Cycle Route (NCN4) linking to the Keynsham Greenways project, Bristol, South Gloucestershire and the Two Tunnels project. This will include the construction of a new bridge across the River Avon.

The bid was successful on 5th July 2011. The £750,000 awarded for the Key component bid consists of capital and revenue to spend by July 2013. The Department of Transport have been clear that money allocated for 2011/2012 must be used within that period.

Cost: £750.000

#### **Potential Funding Sources:**

Department for Transport Local Sustainable Transport Fund Public sector funding including the 4 Unitary Authorities, Primary Care Trust, Connect2, Private sector Third sector

Risks:

Contingencies: DfT funding has been confirmed

#### **Evidence:**

Local Sustainable Transport Fund Application:

http://www.travelplus.org.uk/media/215878/woe%20lstf%20key%20component%20bid%20april%202011.pdf Funding approval press release:

http://travelplus.org.uk/media/219400/05%2006%2011%20lstf%20key%20component%20success%20.pdf Local Sustainable Transport Fund Application approved bids: <a href="http://assets.dft.gov.uk/publications/local-sustainable-transport-fund-guidance-on-the-application-process/successful-bid-recipients.pdf">http://assets.dft.gov.uk/publications/local-sustainable-transport-fund-guidance-on-the-application-process/successful-bid-recipients.pdf</a>
Bath Chronicle article: <a href="http://www.thisisbath.co.uk/New-cycle-route-path-planned-city-centre/story-13112787-detail/story.html">http://www.thisisbath.co.uk/New-cycle-route-path-planned-city-centre/story-13112787-detail/story.html</a>

Phasing:		
2011/12-	2016/17-	2021/22-
2015/16	2020/21	2025/26
✓		

Relevant policy areas:

Bath
Bathampton
Batheaston

Batheaston

Lead Agencies:

B&NES Council;
West of England
Partnership

### BI.12a Redevelopment of Bath Recreation ground

**Category: Leisure** 

Status: Desirable

In June 2011, the Trust consulted on a proposal which allowed the Rugby Club to remain at the Recreation Ground. It would be granted a new lease that would enable it to redevelop its stadium. This would include a temporary east stand and the rugby pitch would be available to the Trust during the summer months. The Club would pass its Lambridge training ground to the Trust as replacement land for the area that it occupied at the Recreation Ground. The consultation exercise showed there was strong support for this proposal.

The Charity Commission has now published a draft Scheme which confers certain powers on the Trust. The Scheme permits the Trust to grant a new lease to the Rugby Club and receive the Lambridge site as replacement land. It also brings indoor recreation on the Leisure Centre land within the objects of the trust.

It will be for a new trustee body to take the decisions involved in implementing the proposal. These will include determining the terms of the property transactions with the Rugby Club and agreeing to the details of any new stadium. Any new development will be subject to the planning process, entirely separately from the Trust.

The Council can give in-principal planning policy support to the improvement and expansion of the existing stadium, in manner that reflects the draft Scheme. The situation of a sporting arena close to a city centre and in good reach of public transport facilities accords with the NPPF. In the Bath situation – there are other issues in respect of companion land uses and unique design challenges to be addressed.

The Core Strategy contains a policy (B1(8)) which states:

Adjoining the Central Area, at the Recreation Ground, and subject to the resolution of any unique legal issues and constraints, enable the development of a sporting, cultural and leisure arena. Associated uses may be acceptable but will be considered on their merits.

Cost: Not identified	Potential Funding Sources: Bath Rugby Club				
Risks:					
Contingencies: Site continues to opera	te				
Evidence:		Phasing:			
Core Strategy Examination statement	BNES/7	2011/12-2015/16	6 2016/17-2020/21 2021		2021/22-2025/26
B&NES Council Report (Feb 2013):	1 / 0 / 5 / 0 / 0 / 0 / 0 / 0 / 0 / 0 / 0	✓			
http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/ac	ocuments/s24563/Core%20Strategy%20Annex%202.pdf	Relevant policy areas: Leac		Agencies:	
		Bath		Bath	Rugby Club

BI.12b Bath Recreation groun	d river bridge	Category: Transport	Sto	ıtus: De	sirable
<b>Cost</b> : £1,500,000	Potential Funding Sources:				
Risks:					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
<ul> <li>Draft PAFF</li> </ul>		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	/21	2021/22-2025/26
		>	✓		
		Relevant policy area	s:	Lead A	Agencies:
		Bath			

BI.12c Bath Sports and Leisure	e Centre	Category: Leisure Status: Desirable				
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<b>Cost</b> : £8,000,000	Potential Funding Sources:					
Risks:						
Contingencies:						
Evidence:		Phasing:				
		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/21 2021/2		2021/22-2025/26	
		>	>		>	
		Relevant policy area	s:	Lead A	Agencies:	
		Bath B&NES C		Council; Aquaterra		

BI.12d Improve the Pavilion		Category: Commun Facilities	ity Sto	atus: Des	irable	
Currently within the contract	with Aquaterra for sports centres management. This contrac	ct ends June 2013 and	another contra	actor ma	y be appointed.	
The venue has a long history of in need of general updating of the second secon	as a live music venue but has poor facilities (toilets, bar), inacand decoration.	dequate back-stage s	pace, poor foye	er/circulo	ation space, and is	
Cost: Not quantified	Potential Funding Sources: New contractor, if appointed, may be able to invest					
Risks: No funding is allocated	by the Council to support this initiative					
Contingencies:						
Evidence:		Phasing:				
	IES Council by The Arts Business Ltd (ABL), 2007, identified	2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020	)/21	2021/22-2025/26	
•	even modest improvements to this venue would make a	>	>		>	
significant difference to the quality of customer experience		Relevant policy areas:		Lead Agencies:		
		Bath B&NES Co Operator		Council; venue tor		

## BI.13 Former Fuller's Earth Works Residual Waste Treatment Site Category: Waste Status: Key The West of England Joint Waste Core Strategy identifies the former Fuller's Earth works site as a site considered appropriate for residual waste treatment development. Infrastructure required in order to bring forward the site includes: Any transport infrastructure identified in a transport assessment Bat mitigation measures Landscaping See also DWI.2a Cost: Not quantified **Potential Funding Sources:** Private sector/waste industry led Partnership developments Green Investment Bank Risks: Contingencies: Phasing: Evidence: Joint Waste Core Strategy: 2011/12-2016/17-2021/22http://www.westofengland.org/media/211552/4.%20jwcs%20adoption%20document%20mar%202011.pdf 2015/16 2025/26 2020/21 Relevant policy areas: Lead Agencies: Bath **B&NES Council** Developer Land owner

BI.14 Weston All Saints Primary School: Nev	w buildings		Category: Education		tatus: Complete
		srooms for Key Stage 2 pupils as well as a new assembly hall ught. The project includes demolishing the entire old KS2 blo			
<b>Cost:</b> £3.6m		Potential Funding Sources: Government Primary Capital Programme			
Risks:	,				
Contingencies:					
Evidence:			Phasing:		
B&NES education website: http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/environmentandplant	ning/majordevelopments/	/primarycapitalprogramme/Pages/MidsomerNortonPrimarySchool.aspx	2011/12- 2015/16 ✓	2016/17 2020/21	- 2021/22- 2025/26
			Relevant pareas:	·	ead Agencies: Bath & North
			Bath	E S	ast omerset Council

### **BI.15 Rossiter Road Transport Scheme**

Category: Transport

Status: Desirable

The Rossiter Road Transport Scheme has been provisionally included in the Capital Programme for a number of years as a proposed scheme which removed through traffic from Widcombe Parade without adding to congestion on the A36 and Churchill Bridge Gyratory by reversing the direction of Widcombe Parade traffic and introducing 2-way traffic onto Rossiter Road.

The objectives of the scheme are to: maintain or improve a strategic route for through traffic passing through Bath to/from Bristol and the A36 South, the A4 East and the A46 North; minimise secondary redistribution of traffic to other sensitive areas beyond the Rossiter Road/Widcombe Parade scheme; improve the safety for road users and those wishing to cross the road; reduce "through" traffic including HGV's in Widcombe Parade; improve the Widcombe Parade environment.

The Council consulted on the proposal in February 2011. Following this an independent report from Halcrow endorsed the original design and recommended some changes which retained some mature trees, provided an improved drop off for Bath Spa Railway Station on Rossiter Road, and improved access to Lyncombe Hill. Cabinet agreed the scheme should proceed in June 2012.

**Cost:** £1,800,000

### **Potential Funding Sources:**

Annual transport capital programme block allocation for integrated transport

**Risks:** The final cost of the scheme will be established once the detailed design has been carried out, but it is anticipated that costs will be contained within the £1.8m above.

**Contingencies:** The scheme budget is included in the Capital Programme.

#### Evidence:

- Council Executive meeting 2006: http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/Executive/Exec060906/17E1408JLTPBath.htm
- Evidence gathering for IDP: (Major Projects)
- B&NES Cabinet Report E2427 13<sup>th</sup> June 2012: <a href="http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s20839/E2427%20Rossiter%20Rd%20Scheme%20Design.pdf">http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s20839/E2427%20Rossiter%20Rd%20Scheme%20Design.pdf</a>

Phasing:				
2011/12- 2015/16	2016/17- 2020/21		2021/22- 2025/26	
✓				
Relevant polic	y areas:	Lead Agencies:		
Bath		Bath & North East Somerset Council		

BI.16 A36 bus lane		Category: Transport		Status: Desirable
	kage included the deletion of the A36 bus lane which is part of a long s protect through planning policy, and can be implemented in the future			
Cost: • £3,000,000	Potential Funding Sources:  Annual transport capital programme block allocation for inte  CIL	grated transp	oort	
Risks: This scheme has been deleted from the BTF	and is therefore a desirable longer term project			
Contingencies: Continue as at present with no be	us lane.			
Evidence: Bath Transportation Package Major Sc	heme Bid:	Phasing:		
http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/transportandstreets/	transportpolicy/plansandstrategies/bathpackage/Pages/default.aspx	2011/12- 2015/16	2016/17- 2020/21	2021/22- 2025/26
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		Relevant pareas:		Lead Agencies:
		Bath		Bath & North East Somerset Council

BI.17 Replacement of allotments at Southbourne Gardens,	Fairfield Park	Category: Green Infra	structure	Status	: Desirable
Planning Permission for construction of 10 dwellings and acce APP/F0114/A/09/2109482. The site comprises a rectangular a to the north of London Road. The SHLAA (May 2011) states th	rea of former allotment land loc	ated approximately 1.5	kilometres north	n-east o	f the city centre and
Cost: Not quantified	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions			SHL	AA Reference: WAL 1
Risks:					
Contingencies: Sites could be allocated in the Placemakin	g Plan				
Evidence:		Phasing:			
SHLAA May 2011		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	/21	2021/22-2025/26
• 07/01598/FUL		>	>		>
• APP/F0114/A/09/2109482		Relevant policy area	s:	Lead A	Agencies:
		Bath		B&NES	S Council

BI.18 Highway works associated with Somerset Place		Category: Transport		Status	: Key
Planning application [07/03640/FUL] pending consideration f places, alterations to junction of Somerset Lane with Winifred and cobble reinstatements).					
Cost: Not quantified	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions			<b>SHL</b> 3	AA Reference: LANS
Risks: \$106 needs to be agreed					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
SHLAA May 2011		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	<b>'21</b>	2021/22-2025/26
• 07/03640/FUL		✓			
		Relevant policy area	s:	Lead A	Agencies:
		Bath		Devel	oper

BI.19 Highway works associated with Bath Press site		Category: Transport		Status	: Key
Any redevelopment to require improved pedestrian and cyc Road. Impact of site cannot be considered in isolation to BW to encourage walking, cycling and use of public transport.  Transport Assessment required with recommended junction of management as river crossings nearing capacity.	R (WES 1). Good sustainable tran	sport linkages required	to neighbouring	g areas,	/developments, e.g.
Cost: Not quantified	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions			SHL	AA Reference: WES 2
Risks: Planning application under consideration.					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
SHLAA May 2011		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	21	2021/22-2025/26
		✓	L		
		Relevant policy area	s:	Lead A	Agencies:
		Bath		Devel	oper

BI.20 Riverside walkway enhancements associated with Avredevelopment	on Street Car and Coach Park	Category: Green Infra	ıstructure	Status	: Кеу
The SHLAA includes the Avon Street Car and Coach Park as riverside walkway and a significant new public space adjace		city centre redevelopm	ent site. The opp	portuniti	ies include a new
Cost: Not quantified	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions			SHL	AA Reference: ABB 1
Risks: Site not achievable within the next 5 years but could b	e realised in the medium term				
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
SHLAA May 2011		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	21	2021/22-2025/26
					>
		Relevant policy area	s:	Lead /	Agencies:
		Bath		Devel	oper

BI.21 New primary school and early years facility at Bath Western Riverside (BWR Other)
(previously part of BI.9)

**Category: Education** 

**Status: Key** 

## Required for the additional housing making up the BWR development, in addition to the places required for the Crest BWR housing

There may be a need to add additional capacity to Secondary Schools within Bath to keep step with development, there is potential for this additional capacity to be accommodated on site (e.g. by distributing the extra teaching space needed across several existing schools). The need for this will be monitored. It is not anticipated that a new secondary school site will be required.

Cost: dependent on delivery strategy and phasing

Potential Funding Sources:

Approximate cost of a 210 place primary school is c.£4,000,000

Developer contributions/CIL/Basic Need

Average cost of a secondary school built under BSF was c.£25m

Risks: Changes in government policy could change the way in which education is delivered.

**Contingencies:** There is a statutory obligation to provide sufficient school places (primary & secondary) and to ensure sufficiency of early years provision. There could be some phasing options around the delivery of facilities.

#### **Evidence:**

- Evidence gathering for IDP(Local Education Authority)
- B&NES Secondary Schools Reorganisation 2006-2010
- B&NES Primary School Review (Overview & Scrutiny Panel) 25 Jan 2010
- B&NES Childcare Sufficiency Report (Children's Services) for early years
- B&NES Primary and Secondary School Organisation Plan 2013-2017

Phasing:			
2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/2	21	2021/22-2025/26
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Relevant policy areas:	Lead Agencies:
Bath	Local Education Authority;
	Developers/Landowners

BI.22 Relocation of Bath Ambulance Station Category: Community Facilities Status: Desirable						
The existing ambulance station in Bath is in need of replacement as it is nearing the end of its economic life and is constrained in terms of meeting the requirements of modern ambulance vehicles. The current location is also not ideal as the area suffers from traffic congestion. Therefore the GWAS wish to consider a more peripheral location. The GWAS is currently undertaking a modelling exercise which will have implications for B&NES. The work will provide more detailed information relating to required future provisions such as ambulance "stand by points". The findings of the work are expected to be available in December 2011.						
Cost: not quantified	Potential Funding Sources:					
Great Western Ambulance Service – the value of the existing site could contribute to re-provision elsewhere. There will be a funding gap.						
Risks: Appropriate alternative sites have not yet been identified and funding not currently available.						
Contingencies: Site continues to operate						
Evidence: Phasing:						
Evidence gathering for the IDP (GWAS) 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21				/21	2021/22-2025/26	
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		Relevant policy areas: Lead Agencies:				
		District wide Great Western Am Service		t Western Ambulance		

BI.23 New on-site primary sub station at Bath University		Category: Energy	Category: Energy Status: Key				
To maintain the continuity of supply in line with expected g	rowth it is likely that a new Primary	/ Substation will be requ	uired at Bath Univ	versity.			
Cost: Not quantified  Risks:	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions Western Power Distribution						
Contingencies:							
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Evidence:     Evidence gathering for IDP (Western Power Distribution)		Phasing: 2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020 >	/21	2021/22-2025/26 >		
		Relevant policy are	as:	Lead	Lead Agencies:		
			Bath		Bath University; Developer; Western Power Distribution		

BI.24 Highway works associated with Alexander House, No	rfolk Place site	Category: Transport		Status: Key	
There appears to be no vehicular access to the site currently, although it seems possible to create an access from the access road to the north-east. This road is however not public highway, and will have to be brought up to an adoptable standard. Due to on-street parking, and the proximity of the James St West junction, it seems unlikely that an access from Norfolk Buildings is possible.  A Travel Statement will be required to assess local alternative travel infrastructure - bus services, pedestrian/cycle routes etc, and consider the potential for improvements to this infrastructure.  This site is unlikely to have a strategic impact on the transport system.					
Cost: Not quantified	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions			<b>SHLA</b> 7	AA Reference: KING
Risks:					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
• SHLAA (May 2011)		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/2	21	2021/22-2025/26
			✓		
		Relevant policy area	s:	Lead A	Agencies:
		Bath		Develo	oper

# BI.25 Highway works associated with Lower Bristol Road, Eastern Part site **Category: Transport** Status: Key Possible upgrading of Roseberry Court junction required - must incorporate connection to proposed Two Tunnels Cyclepath. The development must respect GBBN road alignment/widening (bus lane), the Lower Bristol Road Improvement Line, and the line of the proposed BRT, including its proposed signalised junction on Windsor Bridge Road. Must be considered by a Transport Assessment. Must link to existing and proposed cyclepaths, e.g. alongside BRT route and Two Tunnels, and make provision for associated crossing demand of Lower Bristol Road and Windsor Bridge Road, as necessary. Will contribute to cumulative effect of the Western Riverside re-development. Must also consider and mitigate effect on Lower Bristol Road AQMA. Close to a number of significant sites. Recommended junction assessment of A36 / A3064 (Windsor Bridge junction) and further afield, as necessary. Possible contribution to mitigation measures such as junction improvement and introduction of controlled parking scheme in neighbouring area. Must provide linkage, including crossing facilities, to proposed Two Tunnels Cyclepath and provided pedestrian/cycle linkage between proposed BRT route and riverside path to west of site as part of aim to provide a continuous route from Fieldings Lane, across intervening sites, to the proposed cycleway alongside BRT route. **Potential Funding Sources: SHLAA Reference:** WES 5 **Cost:** Not quantified Developer contributions Risks: Contingencies: **Evidence: Phasing:** SHLAA (May 2011) 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26 **Lead Agencies:** Relevant policy areas: Bath Developer

BI.26 Highway works associated with Lower Bristol Road, Un	igate Dairy site	Category: Transport			Status: Key		
Preferred vehicular access is from Roseberry Road to the east. The existing junction with Lower Bristol Road may require upgrading. The development must respect GBBN road realignment/widening (bus lane). The access and on-site roads of adoptable standard are required.							
A Transport Assessment is required to consider the impact on local roads and further afield. Any increased of the use of the Roseberry Road junction may require upgraded access (i.e. right-turn lane, roundabout) due to the need to avoid obstruction on the Lower Br. Rd and the subsequent impact on the Windsor Br. Rd signals. The T.A. should include an assessment of local travel infrastructure - bus services, pedestrian/cycle routes including links to riverside pedestrian/cycleway, 'Two-Tunnels' scheme etc GBBN bus route runs along entire frontage - any land required for the carriageway widening will be need to be dedicated as public highway.							
T.A. will consider impact on Windsor Bridge junction, and further	er afield as necessary. Considerat	ion to be given to cum	ulative impact of	all dev	elopment in this area.		
Cycle parking required.							
\$106: Works/contributions resulting from conclusions of Travel Statement.							
Cost: Not quantified	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions			SHLA	AA Reference: WES 6		
Risks:							
Contingencies:							
Evidence:		Phasing:					
• SHLAA (May 2011)		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	21	2021/22-2025/26 ✓		
		Relevant policy areas	s:	Lead A	Agencies:		
		Bath		Develo	pper		

# BI.27a Highway works associated with MOD Ensleigh site **Category: Transport Status: Key** Vehicular access is possible from Lansdown Road and/or Granville Road. The access and on-site roads of adoptable standard are required. Local Impact: A Transport Assessment is required to consider the impact on local roads and junctions. Any increased of the use of the Granville Road junction may require upgraded access (i.e. right-turn lane, signals) due to the need to avoid obstruction on Lansdown Road. Similarly, a direct access from Lansdown Road may require a more complex arrangement than the existing simple t-junction. The T.A. should include an assessment of local travel infrastructure - bus services, pedestrian/cycle routes etc Wider Impact: Recommended junction assessment at Granville Road / Lansdown Road; Lansdown Rd / Richmond Rd / St Steven's Rd and A4 / Lansdown Rd. No significant development sites nearby. Parking: Reduction to Local Plan parking maximum standards may not be considered appropriate given its location. Cycle parking required. \$106: Residential travel plan should be provided. Potential for contributions for mitigation measures such as improved public transport or junction improvement. Works/contributions resulting from conclusions of T.A. - significant travel infrastructure improvements are likely to be required. Cost: Not auantified **Potential Funding Sources: SHLAA Reference:** LANS Developer contributions Risks: **Contingencies: Evidence:** Phasing: SHLAA (May 2011) 2021/22-2025/26 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 Relevant policy areas: Lead Agencies: Bath Developer

## **Category: Education** BI.27b New primary school at MOD Ensleigh site (and other educational requirements) Status: Key The re-development of MOD Ensleigh will trigger the need for a new 210 place primary school on site; this is likely to be required in the early stages of development in order to accommodate the children from the new development as they appear. Cost: c.£4,000,000 **Potential Funding Sources: SHLAA Reference:** LANS 5 Developer contributions/CIL Risks: Changes in government policy could change the way in which education is delivered. Contingencies: There is a statutory obligation to provide sufficient primary school places **Evidence:** Phasing: • Evidence gathering for IDP(Local Education Authority) 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26 2011/12-2015/16 SHLAA (May 2011) ➤ Section 106 ➤ Potential for CIL ➤ Potential for CIL • West of England IDP (Roger Tym/URS May 2010) capital until 2014 capital capital Relevant policy areas: **Lead Agencies:** Bath Local Education Authority; Developers/Landowners

BI.27c Gas infrastructure at M	OD Ensleigh site	Category: Energy		Status:	Key
The re-development of MOD new development.	Ensleigh Bath is likely to require the reinforcement of the Low	Pressure gas network i	n order to suppo	ort the l	oad generated by
Cost: Not quantified	Potential Funding Sources: Wales & West Utilities/Developer contributions	SHLAA Reference:	LANS 5		
Risks:					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
Wales & West Utilities		2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/		2021/22-2025/26	
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		Relevant policy areas: Lead Agencies		Agencies:	
		Bath		Wales Develo	& West Utilities;

# BI.27d Green infrastructure at MOD Ensleigh site (including ecology) Category: Green Infrastructure **Status: Key** Must comply with the Green Infrastructure Strategy Appropriate site assessment and ecological surveys are to be undertaken to inform site master planning with particular attention to the SNCI, and potential impacts to Bradford-upon-Avon bats SAC, (this to include planning for public open space and recreation facilities to minimise adverse recreational pressures). Ecological mitigation to be in place ahead of development. Provision of improved habitat connectivity, through the retention and enhancement of the existing high valued habitat, and well-integrated provision of green space (informal, formal and natural). Should incorporate Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems Cost: Not quantified **Potential Funding Sources: SHLAA Reference:** LANS 5 Developer contributions Risks: **Contingencies: Evidence:** Phasing: • B&NES Council Report (Feb 2013) 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26 http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s24562/Core%20Strategy%20Annex%201. pdf **Lead Agencies:** Relevant policy areas: Bath Developer

BI.27e Replacement of sports pitches at MOD Ensleigh site		Category: Green In	frastructure	Statu	s: Key
Development must ensure that displaced playing pitches are re-provide	ed at an appropriate and suitab	ole location			
Cost: Not quantified	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions		SH	HLAA R	eference: LANS 5
Risks:					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
B&NES Council Report (Feb 2013)	~~~	2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-202	20/21	2021/22-2025/26
http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s24562/Core	e%20Strategy%20Annex%201.		>		✓
<u>pdf</u>		Relevant policy are	eas:	Lead	Agencies:
		Bath		Deve	eloper

BI.28a Highway works associated with MOD Warminster Roo	ad site	Category: Transport		Status: Ke	∋y
Transport Assessment would be needed to consider impact on Assessment should highlight the net gain / loss of vehicles as a Warminster Rd / Sydney Rd / North Rd and A36 Beckford Rd sig \$106: Contributions towards sustainable transport measures. Potravel.	result of the development. There ignalised junction, depending on n	s no significant develop et gain of vehicles.	ment nearby. Po	ssible jund	ction assessment of
Cost: Not quantified	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions			SHLAA 1	Reference: BWIK
Risks:					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
• SHLAA (May 2011)		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/2	21 20	021/22-2025/26
	Į.		✓		
		Relevant policy areas	:	Lead Age	encies:
		Bath		Develope	er

BI.28b Gas infrastructure at M	OD Warminster Road site	Category: Energy		Status	: Key
	Warminster Road Bath is likely to require the reinforcement of ent. Medium Pressure is available locally and may be able to		network in orde	r to sup	port the load
Cost: Not quantified	Potential Funding Sources: Wales & West Utilities/Developer contributions	SHLAA Reference:	BWIK 1		
Risks:					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
<ul> <li>Wales &amp; West Utilities</li> </ul>		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	/21	2021/22-2025/26
			✓		
		Relevant policy area	s:	Lead	Agencies:
		Bath		Wales Devel	s & West Utilities; oper

BI.29 Highway works associated with The Harvester, Glouce	ester Road site	Category: Transport		Status	: Key		
Access: Improved/high standard of access required. Development to be served by an estate street of adoptable standard. Likely to require independent emergency access. No direct access from Gloucester Road to individual properties.							
Local Impact: Local network capacity and air quality issues to	be examined as part of TA and ir	mpact mitigated.					
Wider Impact: Transport Statement should be produced highlighting the net increase in traffic. Potential junction assessment at A4 / Gloucester Road. Site is in close proximity to other sites. The cumulative impact of the developments is likely to impact on the performance of the A46 / A4 grade-separated roundabout and the A4 / A36 junction. Effect on AQMA must be addressed.							
Parking: Good accessibility - reduced parking standards to ap	ply. Mitigation required to prever	t overspill of parking on	nto surrounding st	reets.			
\$106: Possible contribution for mitigation measures such as junc infrastructure, e.g. walking and cycling.	ction improvement or public trans	port provision. Possible	contribution towo	ards sus	stainable travel		
Cost: Not quantified	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions			SHL	AA Reference: LAM 4		
Risks:							
Contingencies:							
Evidence:		Phasing:					
• SHLAA (May 2011)		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	21	2021/22-2025/26		
		✓					
		Relevant policy area	s:	Lead A	Agencies:		
		Bath		Devel	oper		

BI.30a New pedestrian bridge across the River Avon at Bath Quays		Category: Transport	St	atus: Key		
Footbridge to be delivered as part of Bath Quays development						
Cost: £2,500,000  Potential Funding Sources: West of England LEP Revolving Infrastructure Fund, repaid through a combination of:  Developer contributions Potential CIL contributions City Deal business rate retention						
Risks: Theoretical risk that the repayable grant may not be repaid in full by the Contingencies: To ensure schemes are state aid compliant, all infrastructure	funded through the RIF will be p					
Councils Contract Standing Orders either directly or jointly between the Cou <b>Evidence:</b>	uncil and the private sector.	Phasing:				
<ul> <li>Evidence gathering for IDP (Development &amp; Major Projects)</li> <li>West of England LEP RIF funding allocations</li> <li>Cabinet Meeting (April 2013):</li> </ul>			5/17- 0/21	2021/22- 2025/26		
http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s25101/E2538%20Revolvi .pdf	ng%20Infrastructure%20Funding	Relevant policy are	as: Le	ead Agencies		
		Bath	Ва	&NES Council		

	Category: Transport		Status	Key
ned site within Bath.				
Potential Funding Sources:	evolving Infrastructure	Fund		
			Lead /	2021/22-2025/26 Agencies:
	Potential Funding Sources:  • B&NES Council	Potential Funding Sources:  B&NES Council West of England LEP Revolving Infrastructure  Phasing: 2011/12-2015/16	Potential Funding Sources:  B&NES Council West of England LEP Revolving Infrastructure Fund  Phasing: 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/ Relevant policy areas:	Potential Funding Sources:  B&NES Council West of England LEP Revolving Infrastructure Fund  Phasing: 2011/12-2015/16 Relevant policy areas: Lead A

BI.30c Re-routing Green Park Road		Category: Transport		Status:	Key
Cost: £3,800,000	Potential Funding Sources:				
	<ul><li>Developer contribution</li><li>B&amp;NES Council (£2,200,</li></ul>				
	West of England LEP R	evolving Infrastructure	Fund		
D. I					
Risks:					
Contingencies:					
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<ul><li>Evidence:</li><li>Evidence gathering for IDP (Development &amp; Major</li></ul>	r Proiects)	Phasing: 2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	/21	2021/22-2025/26
	-11	>	✓		2021/22 2020/20
		Relevant policy area	s:	Lead A	gencies:
		Bath		B&VIEC	Council
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BI.30d Avon Street Multi-Storey Car Park replacement		Category: Transport		Status	: Key
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<b>Cost:</b> £8.75m	Potential Funding Sources:				
Risks:					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
<ul> <li>Evidence gathering for IDP (Development &amp; Major</li> </ul>	Projects)	2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020	/21	2021/22-2025/26
		>	✓		
		Relevant policy areas: Lead Agencies:		Agencies:	
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		Bath		R&ME?	S Council

BI.31 Highway works associated with the Nursery Building, F	Powlett Court site	Category: Transport		Status	: Key
Wider Impact: Transport Statement required to identify walking \$106: A connection to the private footpath through Henrietta to Bathwick Street to access public transport links and local se	Court, as a right of way, should be				
Cost: Not quantified	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions			SHL	AA Reference: WAL 3
Risks:					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
• SHLAA (May 2011)		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/2	21	2021/22-2025/26
			✓		
		Relevant policy area	s:	Lead A	Agencies:
		Bath		Devel	oper

BI.32 Community Facility associated with the Former St. Ma	rys School site	Category: Community	y Facilities	Status	: Desirable
This site is allocated in the Local Plan under reference GDS.1/B	114 for around 15 dwellings and re	equires the provision of c	a community fac	ility.	
Cost: Not quantified	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions			SHL 1	AA Reference: LANS
Risks:					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
• SHLAA (May 2011)		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	21	2021/22-2025/26
B&NES Local Plan adopted 2007			✓		
		Relevant policy area	s:	Lead .	Agencies:
		Bath		Devel	oper

BI.33 Walcot Riverside Path		Category: Green Infra	ıstructure	Status	: Desirable
		-			
Cost: Not quantified	Potential Funding Sources:				
Risks:					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
•		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	<b>′21</b>	2021/22-2025/26
		>	>		>
		Relevant policy area	s:	Lead A	Agencies:
		Bath			
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BI.34 Sixth Form accommodation at St Gregory's Catholic College		Category: Educa	ation	Status:	Complete
The age range at St Gregory's Catholic College was expanded to add a sixtl accommodation.	n form on 1st September 2013. Thi	s required the con:	struction of ac	dditional :	school
<b>Cost</b> : £2.776m	Funding Sources: B&NES Council Schools Modernisation Grant Diocese of Clifton and Diocese of Bath and Wells				
Risks:					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
<ul> <li>Cabinet Report 14<sup>th</sup> September 2011: <a href="http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s7552/E2267%208">http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s7552/E2267%208</a></li> </ul>	t%20Gregorys%20Sixth%20Form	2011/12- 2015/16	2016/17- 2020/21		
<u>.pdf</u>		✓			
		Relevant policy	areas:	Lead A	gencies:
		Bath			

BI.35 Bus/Cycle/Pedestrian link Locks	sbrook Road to Windsor Bridge Road	Category: Tran	sport	Statu	ıs: Desirable
Cost: £200,000	Potential Funding Sources:  • CIL				
Risks:					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
		2011/12- 2015/16	2016/17- 2020/21		2021/22- 2025/26
			✓		
		Relevant polic	y areas:	Leac	d Agencies:
		Bath			

#### BI.36a East of Bath Park and Ride

Category: Transport

Status: Key

A new park and ride site to the east of Bath is required to improve public transport access to Bath City Centre for travellers from the east of the city. This scheme was originally included as part of the Bath Transport Package. It would be complimentary to any rail based programmes and offers an alternative means of getting into Bath where rail links do not exist. In addition, the parking strategy for Bath recognises the need to allow the redevelopment of existing city centre car parks for employment uses in the Bath City Riverside Enterprise Area. Previous studies showed that 1,300 car parking spaces would be needed.

The scheme has been assessed by the West of England Joint Transport Executive Committee as affordable and deliverable through devolved major schemes initial assessment criteria and forms part of the West of England short list.

The scheme fits with the JLTP3 Vision in terms of Quality of Life, Safety, Health and Security, Economic Growth, Accessibility and Carbon Emissions. The scheme would support the creation of 9,000 new jobs in Bath, and in particular the Enterprise Area, by creating an alternative way of reaching Bath that has less environmental impact and is more efficient, and releasing city centre sites for redevelopment. The Bath Package results in a carbon reduction of 7,860 tonnes over 60 years; an eastern Park and Ride may add to this saving by as many as one and a half times.

Cost: £10,00,000 (2016 price)

# **Potential Funding Sources:**

- DfT/Devolved major scheme funding
- Developer Contributions

**Risks:** An alternative site to that promoted as a part of the Bath Package needs to be identified. No technical, design or developmental work has been undertaken to date to identify an alternative eastern park and ride site. A high level sieve of potential sites is in early stages of development. Full EIA and planning consent would be required. It is not known at this stage if land acquisition powers, Network Rail, Highways Agency or any other third party consent would be needed.

Contingencies: GBSTS and pre de-scoped Bath Package both included support for an Eastern Park and Ride.

#### **Evidence:**

- IDP evidence gathering (B&NES Transport)
- WoE LEP
- West of England Joint Transport Executive Committee
- Greater Bristol Strategic Transport Study
- Pre de-scoped Bath Package

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Phasing:			
2011/12-	2016/17-		2021/22-
2015/16	2020/21		2025/26
	✓		
Relevant policy areas:		Lead	Agencies:
Bath		B&N	ES Council

BI.36b Bathampton Station & perman	ent P&R site	Category: Tran	sport	Statu	ıs: Key
Cost: £46,000,000	Potential Funding Sources:  •				
Risks:					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
•		2011/12- 2015/16	2016/17- 2020/21		2021/22- 2025/26
			>		✓
		Relevant policy	/ areas:	Lead	Agencies:
		Bath		B&NI	ES Council

BI.37 Orange Grove Public Realm Im	provements	Category: Pub	olic Realm Sta	tus: Desirable			
Strategic public transport, pedestrian and cycling public realm improvements to improve attractiveness of public transport, and safety and attractiveness of area as part of walking and cycling routes in the city centre.							
Cost: £2,000,000 Potential Funding Sources:							
Risks:							
Contingencies:							
Evidence:		Phasing:					
<ul><li>IDP evidence gathering (B&amp;N</li><li>WoE LEP</li></ul>	IES Transport)	2011/12- 2015/16	2016/17- 2020/21	2021/22- 2025/26			
		>	>	>			
		Relevant police	cy areas: Led	ad Agencies:			

BI.38 A36/A46 Link	A36/A46 Link Category: Transport Status: Desir			Status: Desirable
<b>Cost</b> : £65,000,000	Potential Funding Sources:			
Risks: Scheme currently considered t	o be a longer term aspiration.			
Contingencies:				
Evidence:		Phasing:		
WoE LEP		2011/12- 2015/16	2016/17- 2020/21	2021/22- 2025/26
		>	>	>
		Relevant polic	y areas:	Lead Agencies:
		Bath		

# BI.39 Post Bath Package expansion of Newbridge, Odd Down and Lansdown Park & Ride sites **Category: Transport** Status: Desirable Further expansion of the three existing Park & Ride sites allowing further removal of city centre car parking to allow the release of sites to meet Core Strategy development objectives and JLTP3 objectives of improving the quality of life, reducing carbon emissions and supporting economic growth. An increase in Park and Ride capacity will be complimentary to the Bath Package and other wider programmes. Scheme will support 9,000 new jobs in Bath, and in particular the Enterprise Area, by creating an alternative way of reaching Bath that has less environmental impact and is more efficient, and releasing city centre sites for redevelopment. The Bath Package results in a carbon reduction of 7,860 tonnes over 60 years; this could be doubled depending on the increase in spaces. **Cost**: £6,500,000 (2016 price) **Potential Funding Sources:** • DfT/Devolved major scheme funding Developer Contributions Risks: There are no scheme details at this stage. Feasibility work would be required. Will require planning permission as a minimum; further requirements are unknown at this stage. Contingencies: Previous work for the Bath Transport Package established the need for Park and Ride and how it could work. **Evidence:** Phasing: WoE LEP 2011/12-2016/17-2021/22-2020/21 2025/26 2015/16 **Lead Agencies:** Relevant policy areas:

Bath

**B&NES Council** 

#### **BI.40 Weston Catchment Flood Alleviation Scheme**

Category: Water & Drainage Status: Key

There have been a number of flooding occurrences in the Westbrook Catchment, especially during the 2008/9 flood. There are a mix of public sewers, watercourses and the main river. BANES as LLFA are able to promote a holistic approach to flood management in the Westbrook catchment. There are ownership challenges between Wessex Water and ownership of sewers that are on the public register of public sewers.

Potential future development opportunities in catchment may offer further contributions in the future. Management opportunities may offer ecological benefits via river restoration.

As part of the planning application process any developer will need to undertake a site specific flood risk assessment, which will need to include information on historic, existing and future flood risk issues. In addition the flood risk assessment will need to include a surface water management strategy and proposed flood mitigation measures as required. Overall the flood risk assessment will need to demonstrate that any proposed development will not be at risk of flooding or increase the risk of flooding to other areas. The flood risk assessment will need to be approved by the Local Planning Authority and the Environment Agency before any construction works can be carried out.

Cost: £1.9m for FDGiA scheme

Potential Funding Sources: FDGiA Funding and Wessex Water Funding

Risks: Project approved by Regional Flood and Coastal Committee and DEFRA grant in aid funding allocated by the Environment Agency Board.

**Contingencies:** 

#### Evidence:

• Environment Agency

Phasing:			
2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2	2020/21	2021/22-2025/26
>	✓		
Relevant policy are	eas:	Lead Ag	encies:

Bath **B&NES Council**  BI.40b-f (Requirements for Weston Urban Extension) – Removed June 2014 due to deletion from Core Strategy

#### BI.41a Educational Infrastructure for Odd Down Urban Extension

**Category: Education** 

**Status: Key** 

The Core Strategy allocation of 300 dwellings for the area will require a new 210 place primary school on the development site unless an alternative solution can be found.

Contributions will be required from the development to provide for the other educational places.

300 dwellings would generate c.12 0-2 year olds and 33 3-4 year olds. The **B&NES Childcare Sufficiency Report** identifies this area of Bath as an area of childcare insufficiency and therefore a developer contribution would be required for Early Years age children generated who would need to be accommodated in an Early Years facility that could either be an expansion of an existing facility nearby, a new stand-alone facility on the development site, or form part of a new primary school.

300 dwellings would generate c.93 primary school pupils. The development site would form part of the South West Bath Primary Planning Area, in which births are increasing, and there is a growing pressure on primary school places. Current projections (to accommodate children already resident in this area of Bath) indicate a need to create additional primary school places in this area for Reception admissions in September 2015 onwards when existing capacity is forecast to be exceeded. It is projected that there will be very limited or nil capacity available in existing primary schools to accommodate the additional demand created by the Odd Down Urban Extension. Therefore the Core Strategy requires a new 210 place primary school on the development site unless an alternative solution can be found.

300 dwellings would generate c.45 secondary school pupils and 12 sixth form pupils. There may be sufficient provision to cater for these pupils.

300 dwellings would generate c.30 young people aged 13-19, and a developer contribution would be sought for youth service provision. The service is likely to be provided via the expansion of existing local facilities and services.

Cost: c.£2,500,000

**Potential Funding Sources:** Developer contributions

#### Risks:

**Contingencies:** There is a statutory obligation to provide sufficient school places (primary & secondary) and to ensure sufficiency of early years provision. There could be some phasing options around the delivery of facilities.

Evidence:	Phasing:			
Evidence gathering for IDP (Local Education Authority)	2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020	/21	2021/22-2025/26
	➤ Section 106 capital until 2014	➤Potential for CIL capital		➤ Potential for CIL capital
	Relevant policy area	s: Lead A		Agencies:
		Local E		Education Authority;
	Bath		Devel	opers/Landowners

BI.41b Transport infrastructure associated with Odd Down Urban Extension	Category: Transpo	rt	Status: K	ey		
Site to be developed to a comprehensive masterplan, ensuring it is well integrated with neighbouring areas, with excellent pedestrian and cycle access, and connectivity to local centres, local facilities and services.						
Junction improvement at the B3110 Midford Rd/Southstoke Rd (Cross Keys) and A367 junctions to provide the principle vehicular accesses to the location						
Ensure good public transport provision at the location						
Ensure good pedestrian and cycle access particularly towards Bath city centre, as well as to Odd Down and Combe Down local centres.						
Cost: Not quantified Potential F	unding Sources:					
Developer	· contributions					
Risks:						
Contingencies:						
Evidence:	Phasing:					
B&NES Council Report (Feb 2013)  http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s24562/Core%20Strategy%20Annex%201.pdf	2011/12-2015/16 >	2016/17-202 >	0/21 20	021/22-2025/26		
	Relevant policy ar	,	Lead Agencies:			
	Bath		Developers/Landowners			

BI.41c Green infrastructure at Odd Down Urban Extension (including	ecology)	Category: Green Infr	astructure	Status: Key			
Must comply with the Green Infrastructure Strategy							
Appropriate site assessment and ecological surveys should be undertaken to inform site master planning with particular attention to potential impacts to Bradford-upon-Avon bats and Mells SACs, (this to include planning for public open space and recreational facilities to minimise adverse recreational pressures). Consideration should be given to any ecological mitigation that needs to be in place ahead of development.							
An Ecological Mitigation Strategy and Management scheme to ensure satisfactory compensation, mitigation and protection of European protected bat species and their habitats (to include protection of dark skies to the south of the location, retention and cultivation of linear planting features and off-site habitat protection and compensation on land south of this location), and protection of Priority species.							
Provide improved habitat connectivity, through the retention and enhancement of the existing high valued habitat, and well integrated provision of green space (informal, formal and natural green space)							
Provision for Public Rights of Way							
Should incorporate Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems							
Cost: Not quantified	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions		SHI	LAA Reference:			
Risks:							
Contingencies:							
Evidence:		Phasing:					
			2016/17-2020		26		
http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s24562/Corepdf	<u>9%205frategy%20Annex%201.</u>		<b>&gt;</b>	✓			
<u> </u>		Relevant policy area	15:	Lead Agencies:			
		Bath		Developer			

Bl.41d Renewable energy infrastructure at Odd Down Urban Extensi	ion	Category: Energy		Statu	s: Key
Development should scope potential for and incorporate renewals Down District Heating Opportunity Area)	ole energy, including investigati	ion of District Heating	g opportunit	ies (linki	ng to the Odd
Cost: Not quantified	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions		S	SHLAA R	eference:
Risks:					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
B&NES Council Report (Feb 2013)		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-20	020/21	2021/22-2025/26
http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s24562/Cor	e%20Strategy%20Annex%201.		>		✓
<u>pdf</u>		Relevant policy ar	eas:	Lead	Agencies:
		Bath		Deve	eloper

# BI.41e Sewage infrastructure requirements at Odd Down Urban Extension Category: Water & Drainage **Status: Key** New water mains and sewer site connections required, including separate systems of drainage and downstream sewer improvements to critical sewers. The most significant impact upon water and sewerage services will be focussed upon the existing networks of distribution mains and public sewers. Wessex Water have confirmed that providing the rate of development is controlled over a number of years they will be able to prepare: Detailed appraisals as the site is brought forward through the planning process; Plan the necessary improvements and establish the thresholds at which capacity is needed; Improvement schemes necessary with phasing arrangements where possible. Wessex Water will seek planning conditions to secure an agreed drainage strategy for each site with any relevant contributions. Cost: Not quantified **Potential Funding Sources: SHLAA Reference:** Developer contributions Risks: **Contingencies: Phasing: Evidence:** B&NES Council Report (Feb 2013) 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26 http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s24562/Core%20Strategy%20Annex%201.

Wessex Water Core Strategy representation (May 2013)

**Lead Agencies:** 

Water

Developer; Wessex

Relevant policy areas:

Bath

# BI.42 Educational Infrastructure for Central and River Corridor and MoD Warminster Road

Category: Education

**Status: Key** 

There will be an additional need for primary school places generated by the further planned development within the central and river corridor area of Bath and the development at MoD Warminster Road, resulting in the need to provide approximately 210 places. It is proposed to expand Bathwick St.Mary's C of Primary school to provide these places.

There may be a need to add additional capacity to Secondary Schools within Bath to keep step with development, there is potential for this additional capacity to be accommodated on site (e.g. by distributing the extra teaching space needed across several existing schools). The need for this will be monitored. It is not anticipated that a new secondary school site will be required.

Cost: dependent on delivery strategy and phasing

**Potential Funding Sources:** 

Approx cost of a 210 place expansion £2,500,000

Developer contributions/CIL/Basic Need

Average cost of a secondary school built under BSF was c.£25m

Risks: Changes in government policy could change the way in which education is delivered.

**Contingencies:** There is a statutory obligation to provide sufficient school places (primary & secondary) and to ensure sufficiency of early years provision. There could be some phasing options around the delivery of facilities.

#### Evidence:

Evidence gathering for IDP (Local Education Authority)

B&NES Secondary Schools Reorganisation 2006-2010

B&NES Primary School Review (Overview & Scrutiny Panel) 25 Jan 2010

B&NES Childcare Sufficiency Report (Children's Services) for early years

B&NES Primary and Secondary School Organisation Plan 2013-2017

Phasing:		
2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/21	2021/22-2025/26
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Relevant policy areas:

Bath

Local Education

Authority;

Developers/Landowners

BI.43 Weston All Saints C of E Primary Expansion		Category: Education Status: Key					
210 places being added to Weston All Saints C of E Primary school	for underlying population growt	h					
Cost: Approx cost of a 210 place expansion £1,800,000  Potential Funding Sources: Basic Need							
Risks:							
Contingencies:							
Evidence:		Phasing:					
Evidence gathering for IDP (Local Education Authority)		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-202	20/21	2021/22-2025/26		
B&NES Primary and Secondary School Organisation Plan 2013-2017		✓					
		Relevant policy ar	eas:	Lead	Agencies:		
		Bath		Local Education Authority			

BI.44 St. Saviour's C of E Junior school		Category: Education	on	Statu	s: Key			
30 places (bulge class) being added and improvements to existing poor condition buildings								
Cost: Approx cost £1,800,000	Potential Funding Sources: Bas	sic Need/Maintaina	nce					
Risks:								
Contingencies: Expected delivery date 2014/15								
Evidence:		Phasing:						
Evidence gathering for IDP(Local Education Authority)		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-202	0/21	2021/22-2025/26			
B&NES Primary and Secondary School Organisation Plan 2013-2017		✓						
		Relevant policy are	eas:	Lead	Agencies:			
		Bath		Loca Auth	al Education ority			

BI.45 Oldfield Park Junior school		Category: Education	on	Statu	s: Key			
30 places (bulge class) proposed to be added for underlying population growth								
Cost: Approx cost £300,000	Potential Funding Sources: Bas	sic Need						
Risks:								
Contingencies: Expected delivery date 2015								
Evidence:		Phasing:						
Evidence gathering for IDP (Local Education Authority)		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-202	0/21	2021/22-2025/26			
B&NES Primary and Secondary School Organisation Plan 2013-2017		✓						
		Relevant policy are	eas:	Lead	Agencies:			
		Bath	ath Loc Aut					

BI.46 Moorland Infant and Junior schools		Category: Education	on	Statu	s: Key
210 places proposed to be added for underlying population growth	1				
Cost: Approx cost of a 210 place expansion £2,500,000	Potential Funding Sources: Bas	sic Need			
Risks:					
Contingencies: Expected delivery date 2016 onwards					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
Evidence gathering for IDP (Local Education Authority)		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-202	0/21	2021/22-2025/26
B&NES Primary and Secondary School Organisation Plan 2013-2017		✓			
		Relevant policy are	eas:	Lead	Agencies:
		Bath		Loca Auth	ll Education ority

BI.47 Construction Skills Academy		Category:	Education	Statu	ıs: Desirable	
Approximately 4000 sq m of academy floorspace is required to deliver a construction skills academy within Bath. The CSA will provide training and skills within the construction sector required to support the development of future sites within B&NES, including skills relating to heritage construction.  The Economic Strategy, refreshed in 2014 identifies need for skills and training within certain sectors, including construction.						
Cost: £10,000,000	Potential Funding Sc	urces: LEP Capital Skil	ls			
Risks:						
Contingencies: Alignment of training with existing colleges, and/or on-site training opportunities.						
Evidence:		Phasing:				
Economic Strategy 2014		2011/12-20	15/16 2016	5/17-2020/21	2021/22-2025/26	
		>	>		>	
		Relevant p	olicy areas:	Lead	Agencies:	
		Bath		B&NI	ES Council, LEP	

# BI.48 Pulteney Weir/ Decommissioning of Radial Gate

Category: Water & Drainage

**Status: Key** 

Removal of Radial Gate and enhancements at Pulteney Weir in joint working with the Environment Agency.

In October the Environment Agency approached B&NES Council requesting a conversation about the Pulteney Radial Gate, which has come to the end of its design life. The Environment Agency will need to replace it in the coming years and have a small capital budget allocated for the purpose.

This is a starting point, but shows the sort of solutions that may be possible:

- Remove gate and fill in channel
- Remove the gate and replace with lock gates
- Remove the gate and replace with hydro-electric power plant
- Remove the gate and extend horse shoe weir

Further work is needed to understand the cost implications, deliverability and additional potential options for this site and this would be undertaken as a jointly commissioned piece of work between the parties. There would be no commitment at this stage to take forward an option, simply to look at the opportunity in more detail.

Cost: £5,700,000 **Potential Funding Sources:** Environment Agency Risks: **Contingencies: Evidence:** Phasing: BCREA Masterplan 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26 **Environment Agency (SMT reports)** Relevant policy areas: **Lead Agencies:** Bath Environment Agency; **B&NES Council:** 

	Category: Transpor	rt	Status	: Desirable
Potential Fun	nding Sources:			
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<b>)</b>		2016/17-202	0/21	2021/22-2025/26
	<u> </u>			
	Relevant policy are	eas:	Lead	Agencies:
	Rath			
	Potential Fur	Potential Funding Sources:  Phasing: 2011/12-2015/16	Phasing: 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-202  ✓  Relevant policy areas:	Phasing:  2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21  Relevant policy areas: Lead

BI.50 Relocation of Weston Island Bus Depot		Category: Transpo	rt	Status	: Desirable
Weston Island is currently occupied by a bus depot, fulfilling a useful purpose for the for more appropriate island and community uses at Weston Island	e city. It is, t	nowever, a use whic	h could be lo	cated 6	elsewhere, in order
Cost: Not quantified	Potential Fu	ınding Sources:			
Risks:					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
BCREA Masterplan		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-202	0/21	2021/22-2025/26
Bath Transport Strategy		>	$\checkmark$		
		Relevant policy are	eas:	Lead .	Agencies:

# Midsomer Norton & Radstock

MNRI.1: See MNRI.3

#### MNRI.2 Part of Greater Bristol Bus Network: A37 Bristol to Midsomer Norton & Radstock **Category: Transport** Status: Complete and Bath to Midsomer Norton & Radstock Major improvements to bus corridors and the purchase of new buses. Physical measures include bus priority measures and improved bus stops with new shelters, raised curbs and at most popular stops real time passenger information. Cost: £70m for overall **Potential Funding Sources:** - £42.3M DfT project £20m First £6m Developer Contributions Risks: Developer contributions may not be forthcoming in current economic climate. Contingencies: Carry out all works possible within budget and explore other options for transport improvements. **Evidence:** Phasing: • Evidence gathering for the IDP (Transport) 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26 Also included in Bristol Development Framework Infrastructure Delivery Plan (2010) • See DW1.1A Relevant policy areas: **Lead Agencies:** West of England Partnership; First Group; Bath Midsomer Norton & Radstock DfT

MNRI.3 Infrastructure Requirer	nents for Old Mills	Category: Site Specifi	ic Package	Status:	Key	
Preliminary infrastructure improvements to bring forward an extension to the existing Industrial estate of Old Mills, near Paulton.  Development or assistance towards creating an Enterprise Centre geared around blue collar / start-up operations; small units / lock ups (details awaited re a report on the demand drivers / needs for the area)						
Cost: £3m	<ul> <li>Potential Funding Sources:</li> <li>Revolving Infrastructure Fund/Growing Places Fund</li> </ul>					
Risks:						
Contingencies:						
Evidence:		Phasing:				
		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	<b>′21</b>	2021/22-2025/26	
		✓				
		Relevant policy areas	s:	Lead A	Agencies:	

MNRI.4 Transport network in	mprovements Midsomer Norton	Category: Transport	Sto	atus: Desira	ible
<del>-</del>	ighway network in Midsomer Norton town centre, in associodestrians, cyclists and public transport.	ation with redevelopi	ment, could imp	orove the p	oublic realm and
Cost: Not yet quantified	Potential Funding Sources:  Developer Contributions External Funding DfT block allocation for minor schemes				
<b>Risks:</b> Some improvements	may be reliant on developer contributions to come forward.				
<b>Contingencies:</b> Minor improsites.	ovements could be implemented by the Council, but the f	ull benefits would only	y be realised wi	th redevel	opment of key
Evidence:		Phasing:			
	(B&NES 2010) has indicated that alterations to the highway	2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020	/21 20	021/22-2025/26
network are feasible.		>	>	>	
		Relevant policy areas: Lead Agencies:			
		Midsomer Norton & Radstock Highways Department			s Department

Highway scheme designed to address both congestion within the town plus the additional traffic forecast to be generated by the NRR redevelopment. The scheme represents a combination of improvements to the existing road network in Radstock and the provision of a new section of highway connecting the A367 in the west to the A362 in the east. It is also proposed to amend and enhance provision for cyclists, pedestrians and public transport via a comprehensive scheme of highway enhancements.

The Radstock Paramics model has identified that the new highway layout for NRR will drastically reduce queuing and improve journey times on the A367 and A362.

DfT will contribute £1m from the Local Pinch Point Fund to enable the scheme to progress.

The current programme is for works to commence in September 2013 and be completed by July 2014.

Cost:	Potential Funding Sources:	
£1.556m	B&NES Council	
	DfT Local Pinch Point funding (£1.089m)	
	<ul> <li>Developer \$106 (£160,000)</li> </ul>	
	HCA project funding	

Risks: DfT funding confirmed

**Contingencies:** Minor improvements could be implemented by the Council, but the full benefits would only be realised with redevelopment of key sites.

#### **Evidence:**

- Major Developments and Special Projects website: <a href="http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/environmentandplanning/majordevelopments/Pages/regenradstock.asp">http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/environmentandplanning/majordevelopments/Pages/regenradstock.asp</a>
   <a href="http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/environmentandplanning/majordevelopments/Pages/regenradstock.asp">http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/environmentandplanning/majordevelopments/Pages/regenradstock.asp</a>
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   <a href="https://www.bathnes.gov.uk/environmentandplannin
- IDP Evidence Gathering (Development & Major Projects)
- Housing and Major Projects Policy Development and Scrutiny Panel (November 15th): http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s8444/HousingMajorProjectsUpdate.pdf
- DfT Local Pinch Point Fund successful schemes:
   <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment-data/file/204265/tranche-2-successful-schemes.pdf">https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment-data/file/204265/tranche-2-successful-schemes.pdf</a>

Phasing:						
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Relevant policy areas:			Lead Agencies:			
Midsomer Norton & Radstock			NES Council; ; Linden mes			

MNRI.6 Midsomer Norton	Category: Green Infr	astructure	Status:	Desirable			
Aspiration to create a new publicly accessible Town Park in Midsomer Norton. The Green Space Strategy suggests that to fully address the current deficiency the park would need to be a minimum of 11ha in size. The Local Plan allocates land along the Somer Valley between Midsomer Norton town centre and Radstock Road for this purpose.							
Cost:       Potential Funding Sources:         Not known       Potential to be cross funded by development         Potential funding for community green spaces:       http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/communities/greenspacefunding							
Risks: Delivery mechanism	not yet secured.						
Contingencies:							
Evidence:		Phasing:					
Emerging B&NES Green Ir		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020	/21	2021/22-2025/26		
Regeneration Delivery Pla	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	>	>		>		
Evidence Gathering for th Green Space Strategy	e IDP (Core strategy)	Relevant policy areas: Lead Agencies:			Agencies:		
		Midsomer Norton & Radstock  B&NES  Develo					

MNRI.7 Five Arches Greenway Scheme Category: Transport Status: Complete					
area which currently makes v town centre, shops, leisure ar The Five Arches Greenway lin	theme significantly re-connects the towns of Radstock and Novalking and cycling difficult. A new traffic-free route, passing and school facilities including the new skate park at Gullock Tylks to the Norton Radstock Greenway, which links in to Nation december Norton took place on Saturday 24th September 2011	i along a dis-used railw ning nearby, avoiding al Cycle Network Rout	ay path links the	ese two y roads	communities to the in the local area.
Cost: Part of the £50m "Connect2" project, funded by the National Lottery.	Potential Funding Sources: Sustrans B&NES Council: £346,000				
Risks:					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing			
Sustrans Connect2 scheme		2011/12-2015/16 ✓	2016/17-2020/	/21	2021/22-2025/26
		Relevant policy area	s:	Lead	Agencies:
		Midsomer Norton & R	?adstock	Sustra B&NES Norto Group	S n Radstock Action

# MNRI.8 West of England Key Commuter Routes: Local Sustainable Transport Fund Application

Category: Transport

Status: Complete

'Key Commuter Routes' is an integrated package promoting low carbon alternatives to single occupancy car-use on six key commuter corridors capturing 40% of journeys to work across the West of England. This bid covers the West of England travel to work area. A combination of walking, cycling and public transport infrastructure will be supported by a package of marketing, promotion and other interventions to support modal change. Significant work has already taken place along these corridors under the auspices of the Greater Bristol Bus Network and Cycling City projects. The actions will enable the West of England Authorities to capitalise on this work.

On the Midsomer Norton and Radstock to Bath Corridor, actions will be focused on building the missing links of cycle and pedestrian routes that will link the main commuter corridors. This will take the form of Wellow to Bloomfield Road (Bath) cycle and pedestrian improvements.

Key component bid was successful on 5th July 2011

Cost: £750,000

#### **Potential Funding Sources:**

Department for Transport Local Sustainable Transport Fund

Public sector funding including the 4 Unitary Authorities, Primary Care Trust, Connect2,

Private sector Third sector

**Risks:** Bid may not be approved

#### **Contingencies:**

#### **Evidence:**

- Local Sustainable Transport Fund Application:
   <a href="http://www.travelplus.org.uk/media/215878/woe%20lstf%20key%20component%20bid%20april%202011">http://www.travelplus.org.uk/media/215878/woe%20lstf%20key%20component%20bid%20april%202011</a>
   <a href="mailto:pdf">.pdf</a>
- JLTP3 Delivery Plan 2012/13 2014/15: http://travelplus.org.uk/media/245864/iltp3%20delivery%20plan%20final%20march%202012.pdf

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2011/12-	2016/17-		2021/22-			
2015/16	2020/21		2025/26			
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Relevant policy areas:			Lead Agencies:			
Bath			st of England			

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MNRI.9 Improvement to off-si	ite sewerage & to Radstock Sewage treatment works	Category: Water & Dr	ainage Sta	ıtus: Desiro	able	
Off-site sewerage improvements needed before any significant housing development. Planned improvements to Radstock sewage treatment works required beyond 2015. Engineering appraisal required to confirm network capacity for site specific requirements.						
Cost: Approx £1m	Potential Funding Sources:  Wessex Water Developer contributions;					
Risks:						
Contingencies:						
Evidence:		Phasing:				
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		Relevant policy area	s:	Lead Ag	gencies:	
		Somer Valley				

MNRI.10 Midsomer Norton Primary So	chool: New buildings	Category: Education		Status: Complete
The £2.3 million project has replaced relocated administration facilities.	poor condition temporary buildings and provided a new assembly hall, reception classr	rooms, and r	nursery, as	well as
<b>Cost</b> : £2.3m	Potential Funding Sources: Government Primary Capital Programme			
Risks:				
Contingencies:				
Evidence:		Phasing:		
3&NES education website: http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/environmental	ndplanning/majordevelopments/primarycapitalprogramme/Pages/MidsomerNortonPrimarySchool.aspx	2011/12- 2015/16	2016/17 2020/21	
		✓		
		Relevant pareas:	oolicy	Lead Agencies:
		Somer Vall	ley	Bath & North East Somerset Council

# MNRI.11 Highways infrastructure associated with Hazel Terrace site **Category: Transport Status: Key** Access: There are two extant planning applications one of which has a \$106 agreement in place for provision and dedication of footway along the frontage which will go with the land. Approach roads are narrow with sub-standard footways and subject to on street parking. Local Impact: Access is along Hazel Terrace (from A367 Frome Road) or Lynton Road from Charlton park. The site is at the narrowest part of Hazel Terrace near a 90 degree corner. The two junctions above are both sub-standard in terms of visibility. Wider Impact: This site is unlikely to have significant strategic impact alone but could potentially be accommodated within MSN.10, thereby increasing the effect of that development. \$106 as existing in respect of footway on site frontage. Cost: Not yet quantified. **Potential Funding Sources:** SHLAA Reference: MSN 10i Developer contributions Risks: **Contingencies:** Phasing: **Evidence:** • SHLAA (May 2011) 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26 **Lead Agencies:** Relevant policy areas: Somer Valley Local Highway Authority; Developers/Landowners

MNRI.12 Highways infrastructure associated with Radstock County Infants School site **Category: Transport Status: Key** Access: The previous application for residential development on this site has shown that an acceptable access can be created onto Bath Old Road. The access and on-site roads must be of an adoptable standard. Local Impact: A Travel Statement is required to include an assessment of local travel infrastructure – bus services, ped/cycle routes including links to town centre. Wider Impact: Consideration is required of the cumulative impact of development on the Bath Old Road area and its junction with Bath New Road, and the centre of Radstock, as it is close to a number of other significant sites being considered for the Local Plan. The site is unlikely to have a significant strategic impact on the highway network. Cycle parking required. Section 106: Works/contributions resulting from the conclusions of the Travel Statement. Contributions to capacity/road safety issues arising from consideration of cumulative impact (see above) and GBBN public transport measures likely to be sought. Cost: Not yet quantified. **Potential Funding Sources:** SHLAA Reference: RAD 20 Developer contributions Risks: Contingencies: **Evidence:** Phasing: SHLAA (May 2011) 2021/22-2025/26 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 Relevant policy areas: **Lead Agencies:** Somer Valley Local Highway Authority; Developers/Landowners

MNRI.13 Highways infrastruct	ure associated with Old Pit Yard, Clandown site	Category: Transpor	t :	Status: Key			
Local Impact: alterations to the local junction have been investigated, as have some of the nearby junctions. Existing footway links will be retained and improved to the south of the site							
A Transport Statement should be provided for this site. The TS will need to look at the difference in trip generation between the site's previous and potential usage and obtaining suitable access. There are no other major developments in close proximity.							
Section 106: Potential junction improvement, traffic management on the access road, possible improvement to footways to make the site work with recently introduced SPG will inform others. Possible contributions towards alternative transport.							
Cost: Not yet quantified.	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions	SHLAA Reference: RAD 15					
Risks:							
Contingencies:							
Evidence:		Phasing:					
• SHLAA (May 2011)		2011/12-2015/16	2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26				
		Relevant policy areas: Lead Agencies:					
				Local Highway Authority; Developers/Landowners			

# MNRI.14 Highways infrastructure associated with St Peters Factory, Jewsons site **Category: Transport Status: Key** Access: The signal-controlled junction on the A367, Wells Road has sufficient capacity to allow access to this development. Pedestrian and cycling links should be created to the Waterford Park area and Wells Road (north of the main vehicular access). Local Impact: A Transport Assessment is required to consider the impact on local roads and further afield. A Travel Statement is also required to include a detailed assessment of local travel infrastructure – bus services, ped/cycle routes including links to town centre. Wider Impact: The T.A. must also consider the impact of traffic generated on the centre of Radstock,, in the context of the cumulative effect with the number of other local significant sites. Site granted planning permission in February 2008 for 107 dwellings (ref 05/01926/FUL). Further potential for additional 60 dwellings which would require a TA. Potential cumulative impact with MSN.10 (150 dwellings) at Wells Rd / Old Jewsons site signalised junction, which would need to be considered. Cycle parking required. Section 106: Works/contributions resulting from conclusions of T.A. and Travel Statement. Contributions to GBBN public transport measures likely to be sought. Potential for contributions to mitigation measures. **Cost:** Not yet quantified. Potential Funding Sources: **SHLAA Reference:** MSN 15 Developer contributions Risks: Contingencies: **Evidence:** Phasing: SHLAA (May 2011) 2016/17-2020/21 2011/12-2015/16 2021/22-2025/26 Relevant policy areas: **Lead Agencies:** Somer Valley Local Highway Authority; Developers/Landowners

#### MNRI.15 Highways infrastructure associated with Welton Bibby Baron site

**Category: Transport** 

**Status: Key** 

The site is allocated in the Local Plan (Policy GDS.1/NR14) as a mixed use residential and business uses, to include about 100 dwellings and provision for the public rights of way within the site.

Access: Access to this site will need to be taken from Station Road as the frontage onto North Road is not sufficient to create an access of the appropriate standard. Given the level of traffic likely to be generated by a mixed-use scheme, it is likely that a mini-roundabout, or even signal-controlled junction may be necessary. Given the potential scale of development, a secondary access may be required. The access and on-site roads must be of an adoptable standard.

Local Impact: A Transport Assessment is required to consider the impact on local roads and further ailed. In particular, the impact on the Stones Cross junction should be assessed, as well as capacity and safety issues along West Road. The T.A. should include a Travel Statement which will include an assessment of local travel infrastructure – ped/cycle links to the town centre, other key facilities and public transport.

Wider Impact: The T.A. should also consider the impact on the wider network toward Bristol and Radstock, as there will be a cumulative effect with the number of other significant sites locally. Potential junction assessments at Station Rd / Radstock Road (A362) and A362 / B3355 roundabouts. If access is retained at the northern extent of this site, the access should be assessed as a staggered crossroads along with Valley Walk, a likely access point for MSN.25, a significant strategic development, which together with MSN.14 will cause a cumulative impact at all junctions listed above and A362 / A367.

Cycle parking required.

S106: There is potential for contributions to junction geometry or sustainable travel improvements. Works/contributions resulting from conclusions of T.A. and Travel Statement. Contributions to GBBN public transport measures likely to be sought.

Cost: Not yet quantified.	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions		SHLAA Reference:	MSN 9		
Risks:						
Contingencies:						
Evidence:		Pho	asing:			
<ul> <li>SHLAA (May 2011)</li> </ul>		201	11/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020	/21	2021/22-2025/26
				✓		
		Rel	evant policy area	s:	Lead	Agencies:
		Sor	mer Valley			Highway Authority; lopers/Landowners

# MNRI.16 Highways infrastructure associated with Martins Block site Category: Transport **Status: Key** Wider Impact: Residential element likely to have limited strategic impact, although scheme unlikely to proceed with residential alone. A Transport Assessment should be provided. Site is likely to have an impact on High Street / Silver Street and is likely to have a significant cumulative impact when combined with MSN.6 at junctions of Church Square / High Street, Church Lane / High Street, Church Lane / North Rd and Station Rd / Radstock Rd. The development will also result in possible loss of public parking spaces and the TA should address this. Parking: Car parking for residential units to be accommodated within the site, but could be of a reduced standard, having regard to location of the site to local facilities and public transport. Cycle parking should also be accommodated. \$106: Possible need for contributions towards traffic management improvements. Potential for contributions towards mitigation measures in the form of junction geometry or public transport improvements. **Potential Funding Sources:** Cost: Not yet quantified. **SHLAA Reference:** MSN 3 Developer contributions Risks: **Contingencies: Evidence:** Phasing: • SHLAA (May 2011) 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26 Relevant policy areas: **Lead Agencies:** Somer Valley Local Highway Authority;

Developers/Landowners

# MNRI.17 Highways infrastructure associated with South Road Car Park site Category: Transport **Status: Key** Wider Impact: Residential element likely to have limited strategic impact, although scheme unlikely to proceed with residential alone. A Transport Assessment should be provided. Site is likely to have an impact on High Street / Silver Street and is likely to have a significant cumulative impact when combined with MSN.6 at junctions of Church Square / High Street, Church Lane / High Street, Church Lane / North Rd and Station Rd / Radstock Rd. The development will also result in possible loss of public parking spaces and the TA should address this. Parking: The loss of car parking would need to be linked to any parking strategy for the town, but the redevelopment of this area could include the re-provision of parking. Cycle parking should also be accommodated. \$106: Good pedestrian and cycle links will be required to the High Street. Possible need for contributions towards traffic management improvements. Potential for contributions towards mitigation measures in the form of junction geometry or public transport improvements. **Potential Funding Sources:** Cost: Not yet quantified. SHLAA Reference: MSN 4a Developer contributions Risks: **Contingencies:** Evidence: Phasing: • SHLAA (May 2011) 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26 Relevant policy areas: **Lead Agencies:**

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MNRI.18 Highways infrastructu	ure associated with Alcan site	Category: Transport	Status: Key
with Frome Road, Silver Street A367, Charlton Road / B3355 of development (60 dwellings MS	ntial number of traffic movements the developer will need to cand on Silver Street itselfA Transport Assessment should be provand the signalised junction at Wells Road / Old Jewsons site. CoSN.15 St Peters Factory) at the signalised junction at Wells Rd / Only tributions to junction geometry or sustainable travel improvements.	ided for this site. Potential junction ould have a cumulative impact with DId Jewsons site.	assessments at Charlton Road /
Cost: Not yet quantified.	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions	SHLAA Reference: MSN 10	
Risks:			
Contingencies:			
Evidence:		Phasing:	
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		Relevant policy areas:	Lead Agencies:
		Somer Valley	Local Highway Authority; Developers/Landowners

# MNRI.19 Highways infrastructure associated with Charltons, Frome Road site **Category: Transport Status: Key** Access: The site sits on the junction of Frome Road and the High Street, to be diverted as part of the consented Radstock Regeneration scheme. Preferred vehicular access is from the western boundary as access from the south may conflict with the operation of the new signals, although this will depend on the level of development. The access and on-site roads must be of an adoptable standard. Local Impact: A Transport Assessment is required to consider the impact on local roads and further afield. A Travel Statement is also required to include a detailed assessment of local travel infrastructure - bus services, ped/cycle routes including links to town centre Wider Impact: A Transport Assessment must be produced for this site highlighting the net gain in vehicular traffic. There are a number of substantially sized sites surrounding it and as such there would be a cumulative impact on A362/A367. While a small impact expected individually, it will contribute to cumulative effect on the Centre of Radstock, as it is close to a number of other significant sites. Cycle parking required Section 106: Works/contributions resulting from conclusions of Travel Statement. Contributions to GBBN public transport measures likely to be sought. Cost: Not yet quantified. **Potential Funding Sources: SHLAA Reference:** RAD 3 Developer contributions Risks: Contingencies: **Evidence:** Phasing: SHLAA (May 2011) 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26 **Lead Agencies:** Relevant policy areas:

Somer Valley

Local Highway Authority; Developers/Landowners

# MNRI.20 Highways infrastructure associated with Old bakery, Waterloo Road site **Category: Transport Status: Key** Access: Vehicular access is achievable from the car park egress onto Waterloo Road. Access roads of an adoptable standard will be required. Local Impact: A full Transport Assessment will be required to consider the impact on local roads and those further afield. The impact on the Waterloo Road junction with Bath New Road will require detailed consideration. The T.A. will include a detailed Travel Assessment to consider local travel infrastructure, specifically walking, cycling and public transport links to key facilities. Wider Impact: The Transport Assessment will indicate an impact on the centre of Radstock, which will be exacerbated by the proximity of other significant potential development sites. Consideration to be given to the effect of cumulative impact of all adjacent development in the area and the effect on A367 / A362. Cycle parking required Section 106: Works/contributions resulting from conclusions of Travel Statement. Contributions to GBBN public transport measures likely to be sought. **Potential Funding Sources: Cost:** Not yet quantified. SHLAA Reference: RAD 4 Developer contributions Risks: **Contingencies:** Evidence: Phasing: SHLAA (May 2011) 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26 Relevant policy areas: **Lead Agencies:** Somer Valley Local Highway Authority; Developers/Landowners

# MNRI.21 Highways infrastructure associated with Library / Youth Club / Church Street **Category: Transport** Status: Kev Youth Club site Access: Vehicular access is achievable from the existing Church Street car park access, with pedestrian links via the (current) library. Access roads of an adoptable standard will be required. Local Impact: A full Transport Assessment will be required to consider the impact on local roads and those further afield. The T.A. will include a detailed Travel Assessment to consider local travel infrastructure, specifically walking, cycling and public transport links to key facilities. Wider Impact: The Transport Assessment will indicate an impact on the centre of Radstock, which will be exacerbated by the proximity of other significant potential development sites. Unlikely to have a significant impact on transport network in isolation. A Transport Statement should be provided highlighting the net gain in vehicular traffic. Likely to offer some contribution to a cumulative impact at A367 / A362 with sites in Radstock. Section 106: Works/contributions resulting from conclusions of Travel Statement. Contributions to GBBN public transport measures likely to be sought. Cost: Not yet quantified. **Potential Funding Sources:** SHLAA Reference: RAD 6 Developer contributions Risks: Contingencies: **Evidence:** Phasing: • SHLAA (May 2011) 2011/12-2015/16 2021/22-2025/26 2016/17-2020/21

Relevant policy areas:

Somer Valley

**Lead Agencies:** 

Local Highway Authority; Developers/Landowners

# MNRI.22 Highways infrastructure associated with Coomb End North site

**Category: Transport** 

**Status: Key** 

Access: Coomb End for virtually all its length is sub-standard in width, pedestrian provision and lighting, and is subject to commercial vehicle use including HGVs associated with industrial operations.

Local Impact: Junctions at either end of Combe End joining the A367 are sub-standard and are difficult to manoeuvre.

Wider Impact: As above access to A367 is problematic and it will be necessary for the developers to demonstrate that a safe and appropriate means of access can be achieved to the wider highway network without any detrimental effect. A Transport Statement should be provided for this site. Individually it is unlikely to have a major effect on highway network, but close to RAD 9 (40 dwellings) and RAD 12 (30 dwellings). The cumulative effect of these developments may effect the junctions of Coombend/ A367 and A362/ A367. There are also other SHLAA sites which would access the primary road network via the Old Bath Road/ A376 junction, directly opposite the Coombend/ A367 junction, potentially causing a large cumulative impact at this location.

Section 106: As part of the pre-application advice provision of a footway along site b frontage was identified and this would also apply to site a. Works/Contributions resulting from conclusions of TA.

Cost: Not yet quantified.	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions	SHLAA Reference: RAD 13 a & b				
Risks:						
Contingencies:						
Evidence:		Pho	asing:			
<ul> <li>SHLAA (May 2011)</li> </ul>		201	1/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	/21	2021/22-2025/26
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		Rele	evant policy area	s:	Lead	Agencies:
		Somer Valley  Local Highway Authority  Developers/Landowners				

MNRI.23 Highways infrastruct	ure associated with Clandown Scrap Yard site	Category: Transport		Status:	Key
Access: The site is at the end c	of an existing sub-standard length of public highway (Chapel	Road) without adequate	e turning facilities	<b>5.</b>	
Local Impact: Full standard ac within the site.	doptable turning head to be provided at termination of Chap	el Road. Car parking for	residential units t	to be ac	ccommodated
Cost: Not yet quantified.	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions	SHLAA Reference	:RAD 14		
Risks:					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
• SHLAA (May 2011)		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	/21	2021/22-2025/26
		Relevant policy area	1S:	Lead A	gencies:
		Somer Valley			Highway Authority opers/Landowners

MNRI.24 Highways infrastruct	ure associated with Paulton Builders Merchants site	Category: Transport		Status	s: Key		
Access: Development requires the widening of the footway across the frontage of the development to secure adequate visibility.							
Local impact: Pedestrian impr	ovements required across site frontage to give increased footv	ay width and to secure	e visibility.				
\$106: Financial contribution sought towards pedestrian improvements/traffic management measures within the village, together with the Developer carrying out footway widening across the site frontage.							
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Cost: Not yet quantified.	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions	SHLAA Reference:	PAU 3				
Risks:							
Contingencies:							
Evidence:		Phasing:					
• SHLAA (May 2011)		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020	/21	2021/22-2025/26		
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		Relevant policy area	s:	Lead	Agencies:		
		Somer Valley			Highway Authority; lopers/Landowners		

MNRI.25 Highways infrastructu	re associated with Paulton Printing Factory site	Category: Transport Status: Key					
As per highways comments on 07/02424/EOUT, scheme requires new roundabout access to serve the site, and improvements to other existing accesses. Highway works and contributions towards traffic management, junction improvements, pedestrian facilities, public transport, public rights of way to be secured through Section 106 Agreement.							
Cost: Not yet quantified.	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions	SHLAA Reference:	PAU 2				
Risks:							
Contingencies:							
Evidence:		Phasing:					
<ul> <li>SHLAA (May 2011)</li> </ul>		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	/21	2021/22-2025/26		
		>	✓				
		Relevant policy area	s:	Lead	Agencies:		
		Somer Valley			Highway Authority; lopers/Landowners		

MNRI.26 Highways infrastructu	ure associated with Wellow Lane site	Category: Transport		Status	:: Кеу			
Allocated in Local Plan under	Allocated in Local Plan under GDS.1/V10 for about 100 dwellings. Planning permission granted in October 20101 for 95 dwellings (08/03263/FUL)							
\$106: to provide contributions for junction charge, bus shelters, cycleway signage and possible charges at Braysdown Lane.								
Cost: Not yet quantified.	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions	SHLAA Reference	: PEA 1					
Risks:								
Contingencies:								
Evidence:		Phasing:						
• SHLAA (May 2011)		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020	/21	2021/22-2025/26			
		Relevant policy area	15:	Lead	Agencies:			
		Somer Valley			Highway Authority; lopers/Landowners			

# MNRI.27 Additional Early Years, Primary & Secondary Education capacity in Midsomer Norton

**Category: Education** 

**Status: Key** 

The need for provision for early years is informed by the B&NES Childcare Sufficiency Report. In Midsomer Norton there are capacity gaps that could be filled if existing early years facilities could accommodate growth utilising developer contributions to add extra capacity. This is due to the greater potential for extension or expansion of existing facilities.

At Midsomer Norton there is considered to be scope for existing primary schools facilities to accommodate growth utilising developer contributions to add extra capacity at existing facilities. However, this is dependent on where development is located; a new site(s) for a primary school(s) may be needed if it is not possible to expand existing schools sufficiently to create the places needed.

The proposal within the B&NES Primary and Secondary School Organisation Plan 2013-2017 is to expand one school by 210 places (by 2016) and another school by 105 places in Midsomer Norton.

If additional secondary and sixth form provision is required this is likely to be provided via the expansion of existing schools and facilities. Developer Contributions will be sought to provide additional secondary school and sixth form accommodation if there is insufficient available capacity in the school or schools that serve the development.

Cost: dependent on delivery strategy and phasing

Potential Funding Sources:

Approx cost of the 210 place expansion £2,215,000

Developer contributions / CIL / Basic Need

Total cost c.£4,000,000

Risks: Changes in government policy could change the way in which education is delivered.

**Contingencies:** There is a statutory obligation to provide sufficient school places (primary & secondary) and to ensure sufficiency of early years provision. There could be some phasing options around the delivery of facilities.

#### **Evidence:**

Evidence gathering for IDP (Local Education Authority)

B&NES Secondary Schools Reorganisation 2006-2010

B&NES Primary School Review (Overview & Scrutiny Panel) 25 Jan 2010

B&NES Childcare Sufficiency Report (Children's Services) for early years

B&NES Primary and Secondary School Organisation Plan 2013-2017

Phasing:		
2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/21	2021/22-2025/26
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Relevant policy areas: Lead Agencies:

Somer Valley

Local Education Authority;

Developers/Landowners

MNRI.28 Midsomer Norton High	gh Street Public Realm Improvements	Category: Public Re	Category: Public Realm Status: Desirable				
Public realm improvement to Midsomer Norton core High Street with particular attention for the area between Excelsior Terrace and The Island, and incorporating improved way-finding signage and route improvements from South Road through to the retail core.							
Cost: £2m  Potential Funding Sources:  Developer Contributions Revolving Infrastructure Fund/Growing Places Fund							
Risks: Funding not forthcomir	ng from LEP West of England						
Contingencies:							
Evidence:		Phasing:					
<ul> <li>Evidence gathering</li> </ul>	for IDP (Development & Major Projects)	2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020	/21 2021/22-2025/26			
		>	>	>			
		Relevant policy areas: Lead Agencies:		Lead Agencies:			
		Somer Valley  B&NES Landowner/		B&NES Landowner/Developers;			

#### MNRI.29 Community Facility at Victoria Hall, Radstock

Category: Community Facilities

Somer Valley

Status: Desirable

Victoria Hall was built in the latter part of the 19<sup>th</sup> century. For the last 25 years the Hall had been used as a community facility and administrative base for the Town Council. The building has gradually fallen into disrepair and the hall is now vacant.

The building is known to be in need of substantial works to bring it into repair and comply with the Public Sector Equality Duty. This includes the provision of a lift access to the first floor.

On the week commencing 5<sup>th</sup> May 2012 the Council consulted on the potential future use of the building. Based on the results of this consultation, more detailed assessments on the feasibility of adapting the building to make it suitable for a mixed community, meeting and exhibition space, which will also offer snooker facilities will be undertaken by the Council by September 2012.

The Council announced on 18/10/12 that they intend to invest £160,000 towards the redesign and updating of Victoria Hall.

Cost: £250,000

#### **Potential Funding Sources:**

- Radstock Regeneration Fund
- Section 106 from the Alcan development
- Council's Capital Contingency Fund

Risks:

# Contingencies:

#### **Evidence:**

- Cabinet Decision: <a href="http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ld=463">http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ld=463</a>
- Cabinet Paper: future use of the hall: <a href="http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s21709/E2452%20Victoria%20Hall%20Options.pdf">http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s21709/E2452%20Victoria%20Hall%20Options.pdf</a>

Phasing:			
2011/12-	2016/17-		2021/22-
2015/16	2020/21		2025/26
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Relevant policy areas:			d Agencies:

**B&NES**:

MNRI.30 Coombend Culvert and Stream Improvements			Drainage	Status: [	Desirable			
To protect from river flooding in Clandown – improvements to the culvert that collapsed during heavy rain in 2012.								
Cost: £2.1m  Potential Funding Sources:  • Environment Agency Flood and Coastal Risk Programme								
Risks: Project approved by Regional	I Flood and Coastal Committee and DEFRA grant in aid fundi	ng allocated by the	Environmer	nt Agenc	y Board.			
Contingencies:								
Evidence:		Phasing:						
•		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2	2020/21	2021/22-2025/26			
	Relevant policy areas: Lead Agencies:							
		Somer Valley Environment Agenc B&NES Council			• ,			

# MNRI.31 Additional Early Years, Primary & Secondary Education capacity in Radstock

**Category: Education** 

Status: Key

The need for provision for early years is informed by the B&NES Childcare Sufficiency Report. In Radstock there are capacity gaps that could be filled if existing early years facilities could accommodate growth utilising developer contributions to add extra capacity. This is due to the greater potential for extension or expansion of existing facilities.

At Radstock there is considered to be scope for existing primary schools facilities to accommodate growth utilising developer contributions to add extra capacity at existing facilities. However, this is dependent on where development is located; a new site(s) for a primary school(s) may be needed if it is not possible to expand existing schools sufficiently to create the places needed.

The proposal within the B&NES Primary and Secondary School Organisation Plan 2013-2017 is to expand one school by 150 places and another school by 90 places in Radstock.

Some expansion has also taken place at Peasedown St John Primary school for the Wellow Lane/Braysdown Lane development in Peasedown St John, bringing this school site up to capacity.

If additional secondary and sixth form provision is required this is likely to be provided via the expansion of existing schools and facilities. Developer Contributions will be sought to provide additional secondary school and sixth form accommodation if there is insufficient available capacity in the school or schools that serve the development.

**Cost:** dependent on delivery strategy and phasing

Potential Funding Sources:

Approximate cost £2,500,000

Developer contributions/CIL/Basic Need

Risks: Changes in government policy could change the way in which education is delivered.

**Contingencies:** There is a statutory obligation to provide sufficient school places (primary & secondary) and to ensure sufficiency of early years provision. There could be some phasing options around the delivery of facilities.

#### **Evidence:**

Evidence gathering for IDP (Local Education Authority)

B&NES Secondary Schools Reorganisation 2006-2010

B&NES Primary School Review (Overview & Scrutiny Panel) 25 Jan 2010

B&NES Childcare Sufficiency Report (Children's Services) for early years

B&NES Primary and Secondary School Organisation Plan 2013-2017

Phasing: 2011/12-2015

**2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21** 

2021/22-2025/26

Relevant policy areas:

**Lead Agencies:** 

Somer Valley

Local Education

Authority;

Developers/Landowners

#### MNRI.32 Additional Early Years, Primary & Secondary Education capacity in Paulton **Category: Education** Status: Key Any further development in Paulton (greater than that planned for in the Core Strategy) would create a need for additional land for a new school. If additional secondary and sixth form provision is required this is likely to be provided via the expansion of existing schools and facilities. Developer Contributions will be sought to provide additional secondary school and sixth form accommodation if there is insufficient available capacity in the school or schools that serve the development. Cost: dependent on delivery strategy and phasing **Potential Funding Sources:** Approximate cost £2,215,000 Developer contributions/CIL/Basic Need Risks: Changes in government policy could change the way in which education is delivered. Contingencies: There is a statutory obligation to provide sufficient school places (primary & secondary) and to ensure sufficiency of early years provision. There could be some phasing options around the delivery of facilities. **Evidence:** Phasing: Evidence gathering for IDP (Local Education Authority) 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26 B&NES Secondary Schools Reorganisation 2006-2010 B&NES Primary School Review (Overview & Scrutiny Panel) 25 Jan 2010 Relevant policy areas: **Lead Agencies:** B&NES Childcare Sufficiency Report (Children's Services) for early years B&NES Primary and Secondary School Organisation Plan 2013-2017 Somer Valley Local Education Authority; Developers/Landowners

# Keynsham

KI.1: Superseded by 'Revolving Infrastructure Fund

#### KI.2: Flood Protection Measures for Cadbury's Somerdale site

Category: Water & Drainage

**Status: Key** 

SHLAA Reference: K1

- Any development in this area will need to undertake a Flood Risk Assessment
- Flood protection measures need to be implemented as part of the Masterplan for the redevelopment of the site. The northern part of the site is in the flood plain (zone 2).
- Risk can be mitigated through works on site or upstream, paid for by developers. Potential measures could include raised defences and floodplain storage, with SUDS techniques to be incorporated into drainage design.

The sequential and exception tests for flood risk would have to be met to justify any dwellings in higher risk parts of the site.

Development within the Policy area must be safe throughout its lifetime and informed by the B&NES SFRA and Flood Risk Management Strategy

**Cost:** Dependent on scheme design

#### **Potential Funding Sources:**

- Developer contributions
- On site works required to address and respond to the implications of flood risk and necessary to obtain planning permission.

Risks:

#### Contingencies:

The Masterplanning process should ensure in the first instance that a sequential approach is taken to direct development to areas at least risk of flooding, therefore reducing the need as far as possible for flood protection measures.

#### **Evidence:**

Single Conversation: West of England Delivery & Infrastructure Investment Plan (2010)p15

Draft Keynsham Regeneration Delivery Plan (2010)

B&NES Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (2008)

B&NES Strategic Flood Mitigation Strategy (2009)

B&NES Flood Risk Management Strategy (2010)

Cadbury Somerdale Vision for the Future (LDA Design, Feb 2009)

Evidence Gathering for IDP – Environment Agency

Phasing:						
2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/21		2021/22-2025/26			
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Relevant policy areas:			Lead Agencies:			
		Bath & North East				
Keynsham			set Council;			
		Lando	wner/Developer;			
			nment Agency			

#### **KI.3: Improvements to Sewerage Capacity**

Category: Water & Drainage

**Status: Key** 

The Core Strategy includes a number of development sites within and surrounding Keynsham. Foul water disposal from these sites will require network and treatment capacity to service the additional flows generated from new residential and employment land.

Keynsham Sewage Treatment Works serves the local sewer catchment of Keynsham and surrounding areas. There is also some overlap with catchment boundaries serving Avonmouth STW to the north and Saltford STW to the east.

Previous assessments by Wessex Water identified that growth will exceed capacity at Keynsham STW during 2015-2020. There are a range of short and long term options available to provide the additional treatment capacity. The preferred option by Wessex Water has yet to be confirmed; however recent improvements by Wessex Water have enhanced available capacity.

Wessex Water undertakes a strategic review every 5 years as part of the Business Planning process. This includes a capacity review of assets and identifies a rolling programme of investment. A new business plan will be submitted to OFWAT in 2013/14 for the period 2015-2019.

A new off-site connecting sewer and pumping station is being delivered as part of the K2 scheme.

Somerdale is a major site and will require engineering appraisal to determine a satisfactory drainage strategy. The redundant factory generated significant volumes of trade effluent and there is spare capacity available subject to agreement upon the point of connection to the public sewer system.

Additional sites identified in the Green Belt around Keynsham for housing and employment would require separate systems of drainage, downstream upsizing works to critical sewers, pumping station upgrades and enhancements to capacity at Keynsham STW. A more detailed engineering appraisal is required to confirm the scope and extent of capacity improvements required which is appropriate at the site allocation and planning application stage.

# **Cost:**Dependent on scheme design

# **Potential Funding Sources:**

- Wessex Water improvements to critical sewer capacity
- On-site mains and sewers to be provided by the developer.
- Off-site connecting works delivered through requisition arrangements.

**Risks:** Improvements to critical sewer capacity will require approved funding and agreed schemes for capital investment. Wessex Water prepares and submits business plans to industry regulator OFWAT for approval on a 5 year cycle. Preparation for the next review period (2015 – 2019) is well underway and defined schemes for capital investment programmes have been appraised and costed. OFWAT require business plans for submission by the end of the year. Where additional investment is needed to support the above sites Wessex Water advise that planned schemes will be prioritised over this period and that the works required for the Green Belt sites are likely to advance planned capacity works at Keynsham STW.

Contingencies: Wessex Water recognises the need for growth and has confirmed that they will include appropriate measures where they are able.

# Evidence:

- Single Conversation: West of England Delivery & Infrastructure Investment Plan (2010)p15
- K2 planning application Committee Report (09/04351/FUL)p13-14
- Wessex Water Statement at Core Strategy Hearing (January 2012)
- Wessex Water correspondence January 2013.

Phasing:					
2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	<b>/21</b>	2021/22-2025/26		
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Relevant policy areas:			Lead Agencies:		
, ,			x Water;		
Keynsham			Landowners/Developers		

#### KI.4 Enhance Keynsham Hams as a Wetland Habitat Category: Green **Status: Key** Infrastructure • Somerdale redevelopment site requirement to improve the value of the Hams in environmental, ecological and recreational terms. This will allow the Hams to provide open space, wildlife habitat, recreation, flood alleviation, visual amenity, and a landscape setting for the town. To include improved access for public through improved connections and a concentration of community uses at the heart of the site. Cost: **Potential Funding Sources:** SHLAA Reference: K1 • Development requirement for Somerdale site Not quantified Potential funding for community green spaces: http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/communities/greenspacefunding Risks: Continuing engagement will be required to realise this through future Masterplanning etc. Contingencies: **Evidence:** Phasing: Cadbury Somerdale Vision for the Future (LDA Design, Feb 2009) 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2021/22-2025/26 Somerdale Landscape Framework (LDA Design, June 2009) 2020/21 Cadbury Somerdale Public Exhibition (Atisreal, Feb 2009) Keynsham draft RDP (New Masterplanning, March 2010) **Lead Agencies:** Relevant policy areas: Keynsham Developer; Environment Agency: Natural England SW Biodiversity **Partnership** Avon Wildlife Trust

### KI.5 Highways Infrastructure associated with Somerdale site

**Category: Transport** 

Status: Key

Access: Two points of access required to serve development site with internal loop road. Primary access = new traffic signal controlled junction on Station Road, combined with Avon Mill Lane junction. Road realignment of Station Road on new junction approach required. Improvements to Chandos Road/Station Road junction. Use of Somerdale Road likely to be restricted to pedestrians and cyclists.

Wider Impact: Transport Assessment required which must examine cumulative effect of allocated development sites on town centre. Mainly accessed via A4 Hick's Gate and Broadmead Roundabouts. Hick's Gate Rbt; Broadmead Rbt; A4175 Station Road / B3116 High St; B3116 from Station Rd to A4; Emery Road / A4 Bath Rd; A4714 Ring Road; A4 / A39; A4 / A36

Local Impact: Improved pedestrian/cycling infrastructure require with direct linkages to town centre. Improved access required from site to railway station, including disabled access.

\$106: Possible requirement for contribution towards bus service re-routing, signalised access junction, network signalisation throughout Keynsham. Mitigation of traffic impact required. Travel Plan required for all employment uses and new residents welcome packs for all new households, including free travel tickets for given period for all members of new households. Contribution towards accessibility improvements at railway station and bus infrastructure provision.

Cost:	Potential Funding Sources:	SHLAA Reference: K1
Not quantified	Developer Contributions.	

#### Risks:

**Contingencies:** If this enabling work is not undertaken the development capacity of the site will remain constrained as per the previous Local Plan allocation.

#### Evidence:

- Cadbury Somerdale Vision for the Future (LDA Design, Feb 2009)
- Keynsham draft Regeneration Delivery Plan (New Masterplanning, March 2010)
- SHLAA (May 2011)

Phasing:	asing:					
2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/21		2021/22-2025/26			
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Relevant policy areas:		Lead Agencies:				
Keynsham		Landowner/Developer				

#### KI.6a Improvements to Keynsham Railway Station

**Category: Transport** 

Status: Desirable

Improvements to the railway station to be secured as a Development Requirement for the Somerdale site, including pedestrian and cycle facilities and improved links between the station, Somerdale and town centre.

The 2009 Stations Review highlighted a desire for additional car parking and cycle spaces across the National Rail network. Bidders for the Great Western franchise are being encouraged to develop proposals to enhance provision across the franchise area. The Government fully recognises the benefits cycling can bring as a low carbon and active form of transport, providing environmental and health benefits as well as helping to relieve road congestion. Provision for cyclists is important for integrated journeys and for the environmental performance of the franchise. Bidders will be encouraged to provide adequate capacity and facility for cycles parking at stations and where possible on trains. It will be for bidders, in consultation with stakeholders, to decide upon the locations of any additional secure spaces.

Cost: Potential Funding Sources:

- Network Rail
- Great Western franchisee
- Developer contributions

Risks:

#### **Contingencies:**

#### Evidence:

- Great Western Mainline Route Utilisation Strategy (RUS)
- Single Conversation: West of England Delivery & Infrastructure Investment Plan (2010)
- Cadbury Somerdale Vision for the Future (LDA Design, Feb 2009)
- Cadbury Somerdale Public Exhibition (Atisreal, Feb 2009)
- Keynsham draft RDP (New Masterplanning, March 2010)
- Future for Keynsham (B&NES 2006)
- Keynsham Town Plan (2004)
- Network Rail Route Plan K 2011 Update
- 2009 Stations Review: <a href="http://assets.dft.gov.uk/publications/better-rail-stations/report.pdf">http://assets.dft.gov.uk/publications/better-rail-stations/report.pdf</a>

	Phasing:						
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	Relevant policy areas:		Lead Agencies:				
	Keynsham		West of England Partnership; Network Rail; Train Operator(s)				

KI.6b New ramp at Keynsh	(I.6b New ramp at Keynsham Railway Station Category: Transport Status: Desirable						
The outcome of a bid for funding from DfT for a ramp at the station has been successful.							
Cost:	Potential Funding Sources:						
£415,000	DfT Access for all mid-tier funding						
Risks:							
Contingencies:							
Evidence:		Phasing:					
<ul> <li>Access for All funding <a href="http://assets.dft.gov.uk/publications/access-for-all-mid-tier-funding/successful-bids-2011.pdf">http://assets.dft.gov.uk/publications/access-for-all-mid-tier-funding/successful-bids-2011.pdf</a></li> </ul>		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020,	/21	2021/22-2025/26		
				Lead A	Agencies:		
		Keynsham		DfT; Network Rail; Train Operator(s)			

# KI.7 New early years facility and primary school at Somerdale

**Category: Education** 

Status: Key

Although the housing mix is not yet known, based on assumptions informed by the Local Education Authority the re-development of Somerdale is likely to trigger the need for a new early years facility on site.

Although the housing mix is not yet known, based on assumptions informed by the Local Education Authority the re-development of Somerdale is likely to trigger the need for a new primary school on site.

Cost: c.£5,000,000

**Potential Funding Sources:** 

Developer contributions/CIL

SHLAA Reference: K.1

Risks: Changes in government policy could change the way in which education is delivered.

**Contingencies:** There is a statutory obligation to ensure sufficiency of early years and primary school provision.

#### **Evidence:**

Evidence gathering for IDP (Local Education Authority)
B&NES Childcare Sufficiency Report (Children's Services) for early years
B&NES Primary School Review (Overview & Scrutiny Panel) 25 Jan 2010
SHLAA (May 2011)

### Phasing:

2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/21	2021/22-2025/26
➤ Section 106	➤ Potential for CIL	➤ Potential for CIL
capital until 2014	capital	capital

Relevant policy areas:

**Lead Agencies:** 

Keynsham

Local Education Authority; Landowners/Developers KI.8 Green Infrastructure Status: Desirable

#### Aims:

- Provision of a legible continuous green link along the River Chew corridor connecting the riverside south of Temple Street with the town centre/Memorial Park, the marina, Somerdale, the Hams and the River Avon corridor
- Somerdale redevelopment to include the river corridor as part of the green link through the site, with development sensitive to the landscape setting and ecological features with an integrated approach to the design
- Ensure the Hams opens up to the wider network of recreational routes in the area, including the Avon Valley, with the Somerdale site development encouraging movement through it

Improvements to the Memorial Park

Cost: depends on
implementation

#### **Potential Funding Sources:**

Potential funding sources include:

- Revised management regimes for Council owned land
- Partnership working with key land owners and managers
- Work with voluntary and community sector
- External funding e.g. HLF and other funders for specific access, biodiversity or heritage/landscape projects.
- Developer contributions and Masterplan principles e.g. green corridors
- Potential funding for community green spaces: http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/communities/greenspacefunding
- To be further explored and identified in the Green Infrastructure Study

### Risks: Project not defined or costed

**Contingencies:** Somerdale Masterplan should address GI needs and these will in part be achievable through developer contributions. However gap funding will also be required from other sources.

#### **Evidence:**

- Cadbury Somerdale Vision for the Future (LDA Design, Feb 2009)
- Somerdale Landscape Framework (LDA Design, June 2009)
- Representations to B&NES Keynsham Town Centre Masterplan (BNP Paribas, September 2010)
- Cadbury Somerdale Public Exhibition (Atisreal, Feb 2009)
- Keynsham draft RDP (New Masterplanning, March 2010)
- Emerging B&NES Green Infrastructure Strategy

Phasing:						
2011/12-2015/16	6 2016/17-2020/		2021/22-2025/26			
Relevant policy area	s:	Lead Agencies:				
Keynsham		Some	& North East rset Council; ham Town Council			

KI.9: Keynsham Dist	rict Heating Network		Category: Energy		Status:	: Key
(681 tonnes CO <sub>2</sub> po	n of a district heating scheme in Keynsham has been inve a) and long-term financial (18.69% IRR) returns. As such it have acy 4 expects developers in this priority area to install distric	as been identi	fied as one of three ke			
Cost: £970,181	Potential Funding Sources:  Private financing from third-party ESCO Developer contributions Renewable Heat Incentive/Feed In Ta					
<b>Risks:</b> Relocation of the leisure centre would reduce the heat demand and would reduce/remove the technical and commercial case for a network. Needs to be considered in conjunction with design proposals for Keynsham Town Hall. Developer contributions can only be received where network connections are agreed prior to construction. Capturing large development sites improves project returns.						
Contingencies: Ma	ny approaches have been used throughout the UK to tak which have been demonstrated to be financially viable.			nities of installin	g distric	t heating on key
Evidence: Phasing:						
B&NES District Heating Study (AECOM, 2010) B&NES Renewable Energy Capacity Study (CAMCO, 2010) B&NES Sustainability Team		Ī	2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	<b>/21</b>	2021/22-2025/26
			>	>		>
			Relevant policy area	s:	Lead A	Agencies:

Keynsham

Bath & North East Somerset Council; Landowners/Developers;

### KI.10a New Library and one stop shop

Category: Community
Facilities

Status: Desirable

Keynsham Library re-provision will be secured as part of the re-development of the Town Hall site. This will include a new one-stop-shop for Council service users.

Planning application 12/00972/REG04 includes the above infrastructure requirements.

The new library is due to open in August 2014.

#### Cost:

Not quantified

### **Potential Funding Sources:**

• Development requirement for the Centre/Town Hall site to make re-provision on site for the Library and onestop-shop

#### Risks:

Planning permission needs to be secured

### **Contingencies:**

#### **Evidence:**

- Evidence gathering for the IDP (Libraries)
- Keynsham Town Hall Masterplan rationale document (B&NES/NEW Masterplanning)
- Keynsham draft Regeneration Delivery Plan (New Masterplanning, March 2010)
- Keynsham regeneration project consultation:
   http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/environmentandplanning/majordevelopments/Pages/KeynshamRegenerationProject.aspx
- Planning application 12/00972/REG04

Phasing:		
2011/12- 2015/16	2016/17- 2020/21	2021/22- 2025/26
✓		

Relevant policy areas:

Keynsham

B&NES

KI.10b Re-provision of the Fry	Club	Category: Communit	y Facilities	Status: Desirable			
The Core Strategy requires that the Fry Club is re-provided as part of the Somerdale redevelopment.  Taylor Wimpey are developing the site and are including the re-provision of the Fry Club in their concept masterplan.							
Cost:							
Risks:							
Contingencies:	Contingencies:						
Evidence:		Phasing:					
·	Development of Sports & Social Facilities (PLC, Dec 2009)	2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/2	21 2021/22-2025/26			
•	<ul> <li>Cadbury Somerdale: Developing a Vision for the Future: Presentation to Keynsham Development Advisory Group (Atisreal, September 2008)</li> </ul>						
<ul> <li>Representations to B&amp;NES Keynsham Town Centre Masterplan (BNP Paribas, September 2010)</li> <li>Relevant policy areas:</li> </ul> Relevant policy areas:				Lead Agencies:			
<ul><li>Keynsham draft Reg</li><li>Future for Keynsham</li><li>Taylor Wimpey Some</li></ul>	Keynsham	I	Fry Club organisation; Landowner/Developer (Taylor Wimpey)				

### **KI.10c New Community Facility** Category: Status: Desirable **Community Facilities** K2 community facilities will be delivered as part of that development by the developer In 2009 £250k of Developer Contributions were extracted from the Tesco development at St Johns Court for community facilities in the town. The Council has been running a consultation exercise inviting proposals from the local community to provide or improve community facilities. Funding will ultimately be invested in one or more projects which demonstrate best use and will have the biggest impact in Keynsham. Once a decision has been made detailed specifications for the project will be written. Monies will be allocated either by direct grant or by open tendering. **Potential Funding Sources:** Cost: • £250k secured, other projects still to Developer contributions be confirmed or outside local authority control Risks: **Contingencies:** Phasing: **Evidence:** Keynsham s106 grant: 2011/12-2016/17-2021/22http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/communityandliving/fundingcommissioning/Pages/KeynshamSection106Grant. 2015/16 2025/26 2020/21 aspx Relevant policy **Lead Agencies:** B&NES areas: Keynsham Council

 Successful bidders

KI.11 Pedestrian/Cycle Br Station	Category: Transport		Status: Desirable			
• • •	eate a new 'level' route for pedestrians and cyclists across the A n, addressing the A4 and railway line as major physical barriers w		dge which would	d connect the Memorial		
Cost: not quantified  Potential Funding Sources: Potentially could include: Developer Contributions Funding bids						
isks: Project not yet defi	ned, scoped or costed					
Contingencies:						
Evidence:		Phasing:				
<ul> <li>Keynsham draft I</li> </ul>	Regeneration Delivery Plan (New Masterplanning, March 2010)	2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/2	21 2021/22-2025/26		
		>	>	>		
		Relevant policy area	as:	Lead Agencies:		
		Keynsham				

### KI.12 Town Centre and Somerdale Public Realm Improvements

Category: Public Realm Status: Desirable

Public realm improvements to the High Street, particularly at:

- Junction of Bath Hill and High Street containing a new public space replacing the current public space in front of the Town Hall following redevelopment.
- Space in front of St. John's church
- Junction of High Street and Charlton Road

Enhancement/creation of network of pedestrian routes between High Street, Temple Street, the park entrance and the river, and Bath Hill East car park.

Improved disabled access to shops.

Public realm enhancements as part of Somerdale redevelopment

Cost: not quantified

### **Potential Funding Sources:**

- Developer Contributions
- Developer requirement for the town hall site to make re-provision of the public space

Risks: Details of strategy need to be further developed and costed. Highways issues and through traffic issues key.

Contingencies:

#### Evidence:

- Retail Strategy (Urban Practitioners and DTZ 2008)
- Future for Keynsham (B&NES 2006)
- Keynsham draft RDP (New Masterplanning, March 2010)
- Keynsham Town Hall Masterplan rationale document (B&NES/NEW Masterplanning)
- Shops Access survey (The Keynsham Network)
- B&NES Area Wide Spatial Strategy (David Lock Associates 2006)
- Evidence gathering for IDP (Development & Major Projects)
- Keynsham regeneration project consultation: <a href="http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/environmentandplanning/majordevelopments/Pages/KeynshamRegenerationProject.gaspx">http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/environmentandplanning/majordevelopments/Pages/KeynshamRegenerationProject.gaspx</a>

Phasing:						
2011/12-	2016/17-		2021/22-2025/26			
2015/16	2020/21					
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Relevant policy		Lead	Agencies:			

Relevant policy areas:

B&NES; Keynsham Landov

Landowner/Developers; Keynsham Town Council

### KI.13 Improved Cycle Links (Keynsham Greenways)

**Category: Transport** 

Relevant policy areas:

Status: Desirable

**Lead Agencies:** 

Improved links from Keynsham to the large number of long-distance footpaths and other adjacent recreational routes and strategic cycleways, such as National Cycle Route 4, the River Avon Trail and the Two Rivers Way. Route to be developed with Bristol City Council and South Gloucestershire Council. Sections within B&NES mostly within or affected by the Somerdale development. To include a bridge over the River Avon.

The scheme will continue the work started as part of Bristol's Cycling City Project. Proposals for devolved major schemes funding include a Cycling Major Scheme which comprises improvements to major cycling corridors, upgrading and improving existing cycle routes, extending existing routes and providing a network of routes to serve new developments. This includes Somerdale.

Cycling helps to reduce the ecological footprint, reducing reliance on the private car; reduces greenhouse gas emissions; improves resilience and reliability of existing infrastructure to cope with changes in climate and future demand; reducing the environmental impact of the economy, transport and development; reduces pollution; promotes a step change in public transport; contributes to reduces vehicle emissions and improvements in air quality.

Cost: £25m (West of England total)

### **Potential Funding Sources:**

- Developer Contributions (£3-4m West of England)
- Devolved Major Schemes Funding (£21m-£22m West of England)

Risks: Schemes which include items such as new bridges require planning and potentially land requirements.

**Contingencies:** Schemes within the highway boundary require no statutory powers.

#### **Evidence:**

- Somerdale Landscape Framework (LDA Design, June 2009)
- Future for Keynsham (B&NES 2006)
- IDP evidence gathering (B&NES Transport)
- Transport Innovation Fund work
- Greater Bristol Strategic Transport Study

Phasing:					
2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/21	2021/22-2025/26			
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Keynsham

West of England LEP;

B&NES Council; Developer;

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#### KI.14 Relocation of the Fire Station

**Category: Community Facilities** 

Relevant policy areas:

Status: Desirable

**Lead Agencies:** 

Avon Fire & Rescue Service have identified an opportunity to deliver a new district Fire Station together with training facilities at Hicks Gate, to replace existing stations at Keynsham, Brislington and Kingswood, creating a more strategic location from which to deliver the service.

Hicks Gate has been identified as the only suitable and viable location for the proposed strategic facility. The Service requires a site with an area up to 2.4ha. The location is crucial in order to deliver the strategic benefit upon which the proposals for a district fire station for this area are based.

The new station is required to maintain the public safety standards for the existing communities it serves, whilst providing additional fire cover for new communities, in accordance with existing, necessary standards; and to maintain existing public safety standards for South Gloucestershire and Bristol, but improve standards for Keynsham and Bath as a result of greater fire cover and an improvement in response times. The Service has mandatory response times that significantly restricts the location where the centralised facility could be located.

Cost: not quantified

**Potential Funding Sources:** 

Must be cost Neutral for the Fire Authority

#### Risks:

**Contingencies:** If re-location not secured the Fire Station is likely to remain on the present site either in existing building or via on-site re-provision as part of the associated Town Hall redevelopment.

#### **Evidence:**

IDP Evidence gathering process – Responses from Avon Fire & Rescue Service

Phasing:					
2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/21	2021/22-2025/26			
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Keynsham

Fire Authority
Bath & North East
Somerset Council

### KI.15 Broadmead Lane Residual Waste Management Site

Category: Waste

Status: Key

Broadmead Lane is allocated in the B&NES Local Plan for waste management purposes and considered appropriate for residual waste treatment development in the West of England Joint Waste Core Strategy. Specific infrastructure that is required in order to bring forward this site includes:

- The existing access is inadequate. Traffic management and highway improvement measures are required at the railway bridge to facilitate access including for HGV movements, pedestrians and cyclists, or to provide alternative access.
- Topographical survey together with hydraulic and hydrological studies of bridge improvement area (and any infrastructure that is required as a result) having regard to flood flow and flood storage capacity in order to ensure safe access to the site
- Appropriate remediation of potential land contamination

See also DWL2a

Cost: not quantified

### **Potential Funding Sources:**

- Private sector/waste industry led
- Partnership developments
- Green Investment Bank

Risks:

### **Contingencies:**

#### Evidence:

B&NES Local Plan 2007 Joint Waste Core Strategy

http://www.westofengland.org/media/211552/4.%20jwcs%20adoption%20document%20mar%202011.pdf

Phasing:						
2011/12-	2016/17-	2021/22-				
2015/16	2020/21	2025/26				
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Relevant policy areas:Lead Agencies:KeynshamBath & North East<br/>Somerset Council

# KI.16 Additional Early Years, Primary & Secondary Education capacity in Keynsham (previously part of KI.7)

**Category: Education** 

**Status: Key** 

In addition to the new primary school with early years facilities at Somerdale and the primary school with early years for the urban extension east of Keynsham (which also caters for the urban extension south west of Keynsham), there will also be an additional need for the extension of Castle Primary School at South West Keynsham (as part of the K2 scheme) and potential for an additional number of primary school places and early years facilities as a result of underlying population growth in Keynsham, delivered via the expansion of an existing school. Childcare and Early Years sufficiency levels will be monitored using the sufficiency report and its 6 monthly refresh in order to assess either the need for new or expansion of existing local capacity

Secondary school pupils generated by new housing in the Wellsway school catchment area would serve to displace pupils at the school from outside of the catchment area, thus creating sufficient space at Wellsway. Broadlands school can accommodate extra pupils either as a result of displacement or due to new housing in the Broadlands catchment area.

It is not anticipated that a new secondary school site will be required.

Cost: dependent on delivery strategy and phasing

Approximate cost £2,500,000

**Potential Funding Sources:** 

Developer contributions / CIL / Basic Need

The extension of Castle Primary School has been secured as part of the Development Requirements for K2 Allocation.

The new Primary School at north Keynsham has been secured as part of the Development Requirements for Somerdale.

**Risks:** Changes in government policy could change the way in which education is delivered.

**Contingencies:** There is a statutory obligation to provide sufficient school places (primary & secondary) and to ensure sufficiency of early years provision. There could be some phasing options around the delivery of facilities.

#### **Evidence:**

Evidence gathering for IDP (Local Education Authority)

B&NES Secondary Schools Reorganisation 2006-2010

B&NES Primary School Review (Overview & Scrutiny Panel) 25 Jan 2010

B&NES Childcare Sufficiency Report (Children's Services) for early years

B&NES Primary and Secondary School Organisation Plan 2013-2017

Phasing:

 2011/12-2015/16
 2016/17-2020/21
 2021/22-2025/26

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Relevant policy areas:

**Lead Agencies:** 

Keynsham

Local Education Authority; Landowners/Developers

### KI.17 Highways infrastructure associated with the Town Hall site

Category: Transport

Status: Key

Transport Assessment will be required taking into account cumulative impact of all allocated sites on wider network. Site currently occupied by BANES council & car park providing approximately 150 spaces. Development must mitigate loss of parking and its own parking demand.

The initial stage of design work for offsite highway improvements associated with the Town Hall development has been completed. This involves the design of junction and highway link alterations to facilitate the delivery of:

- 1-way traffic southbound on the High Street
- 2-way traffic on the Rock Road / Ashton Way / Charlton Road 'loop'
- Major improvements to the public realm at the High Street / Bath Hill East / Temple Street junction (linked to KI.12)

There are options for providing the additional parking needed, including refurbishing the Civic Centre car park, new decking at Ashton Way car park, or Bath Hill East car park

Cost: not quantified	Potential Funding Sources:	SHLAA Reference: K13a
	Developer contributions	

#### Risks:

**Contingencies:** If re-location not secured the Fire Station is likely to remain on the present site either in existing building or via on-site re-provision as part of the associated Town Hall redevelopment.

### **Evidence:**

SHLAA (May 2011)

Keynsham regeneration project consultation:

http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/environmentandplanning/majordevelopments/Pages/KeynshamRegenerationProject.aspx

Phasing:				
2011/12- 2015/16	2016/17- 2020/21		2021/22- 2025/26	
<b>✓</b>				
Relevant policy areas:		Lead Agencies:		
Keynsham	I		Authority n & North East nerset Council	

KI.18 New 6 court sports hall o	at Wellsway School	Category: Education Status: Complete				
Development is complete.						
Cost: £2,747,000	Potential Funding Sources:  B&NES Council					
Risks: Development is comple	ete.					
Contingencies: Developmen	t is complete.					
Evidence:		Phasing:				
		2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020 Complete	/21 2021/22-2025/26			
		Relevant policy areas:	Lead Agencies:			
		Keynsham	Bath & North East Somerset Council			

KI.19 Relocation of waste transfer station to Pixash Lane		Category: Waste		Status	Кеу
Waste compaction and transfer will relocate from the Midl	and Road Depot in Bath to Pixas	h Lane in Keynsham. T	he land has bee	en purc	hased.
Cost: £7,200,000	Potential Funding Sources: B&NES Council				
Risks:  No funding currently allocated for the development Contingencies:	nt				
Evidence:  • IDP evidence gathering (B&NES Waste Services)		Phasing: 2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/ ✓	<b>/21</b>	2021/22-2025/26
		Relevant policy area	s:		Agencies: Council;

### KI.20a Educational Infrastructure for East of Keynsham Urban Extension

Category: Education

**Status: Key** 

The Core Strategy allocation of 250 dwellings for Keynsham East will yield c.80 primary, 38 secondary and 10 sixth form places.

The Core Strategy allocation of 200 dwellings for Keynsham South West will yield c.62 primary, 30 secondary and 8 sixth form places.

A new 210 place primary school on the Keynsham East development site will be required as per the Core Strategy policy. **The South West Keynsham Urban Extension site will contribute financially to the delivery of the school.** 

Cost: dependent on delivery strategy and phasing

**Potential Funding Sources:** 

Approximate cost of a 210 place primary school is c.£4,000,000

Developer contributions / CIL / Basic Need

Keynsham

#### Risks:

**Contingencies:** There is a statutory obligation to provide sufficient school places (primary & secondary) and to ensure sufficiency of early years provision. There could be some phasing options around the delivery of facilities.

#### **Evidence:**

Evidence gathering for IDP (Local Education Authority)
B&NES Primary and Secondary School Organisation Plan 2013-2017

Phasing:			
2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	<b>/21</b>	2021/22-2025/26
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Relevant policy area	s:	Lead A	Agencies:

Local Education Authority; Developers/Landowners

### KI.20b Transport Infrastructure for East of Keynsham Urban Extension

**Category: Transport** 

**Status: Key** 

Various highways requirements have been identified for this area including:

- Enhancement of facilities for pedestrians/cyclists crossing the A4
- Enhancements for pedestrians/cyclists accessing Keynsham Town Centre, Chandag Local Centre, Saltford Local Centre, Keynsham rail station and the adjacent schools
- Footpath and cycle lanes to be provided within the site with strategic routes to encourage travel by foot and cycle particularly to Keynsham Town Centre (with public rights of way running through site improved and linked as part of this)
- Bus routes to be provided within the development to serve the site. Connections to the existing bus stops adjacent to site should be provided. Keynsham Town Centre, local facilities and services, Bristol and Bath must be accessible from the site by public transport.
- A new junction required onto the A4, probably in the form of a signalised junction.
- Improvements may be required at the Wellsway/Bath Road/Bath Hill junction and junctions on Bath Hill and High Street which are all currently miniroundabouts
- Demand management/sustainable transport measures on the A4 through Saltford may provide the most cost effective means of managing traffic
- Demand management measures in Keynsham town centre
- Safeguarding of a route for a potential Saltford bypass (RI.13) if required and any crossing or junction opportunities
- Provision of a robust travel plan which provides the appropriate infrastructure, services and information for people to encourage modal shift to sustainable modes.

Any development north of the railway line would require demonstration that safe, appropriate and satisfactory access can be gained to the site. This would necessitate either improvements to the Grade II listed over-bridge at Pixash Lane or provision of a new bridge over the railway line, with the under-bridge at Broadmead Lane serving as a secondary access for emergency purposes. Pedestrian/cycle Links should also be made to the public right of way network at the Grade II listed Clay Lane Bridge to form a link from the area north to the Bristol-Bath cycle path.

Cost: Not quantified	Potential	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions					
Risks:							
Contingencies:							
Evidence:		Phasing:					
Arup Transport Evaluation (2013)		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020	/21	2021/22-2025/26		
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		Relevant policy are	as:	Lead	Agencies:		
		Keynsham			lopers/Landowners; ork Rail; B&NES		

# KI.20c Green infrastructure at East of Keynsham Urban Extension (including ecology) Category: Green Infrastructure Status: Key Must comply with the Green Infrastructure Strategy by ensuring that the principles of GI and related benefits are embedded in the development Provide for green space (informal, formal and allotments) as part of a comprehensive Green Infrastructure Strategy for the location. Mitigation of landscape impact by extending the community woodland to the south and providing additional structure planting and improving hedgerows. Species rich hedgerows, ponds, ditches and trees should be retained and enhanced, and habitat suitable for the population of skylarks provided. Maintain a landscape buffer between Keynsham and Saltford Provision for Public Rights of Way Should incorporate Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems Cost: Not quantified **Potential Funding Sources: SHLAA Reference:** Developer contributions Risks: **Contingencies:** Phasing: **Evidence: B&NES Council Report (Feb 2013)** 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26 http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s24562/Core%20Strategy%20Annex%201. pdf Relevant policy areas: **Lead Agencies:** Keynsham Developer

KI.20d Water Drainage at East of Keynsham Urban Extension		Category: Water &	Drainage	Statu	s: Key	
All watercourses running through the area should remain open and will need to be incorporated into development proposals. Mitigation of poor drainage south of World's End Lane is required. A substantial watercourse corridor is required surrounding Broadmead Brook and subsidiary ditches and requires significant attenuation to provide for surface water run-off to restrict flows before discharge.						
Cost: Not quantified	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions		SH	HLAA R	eference:	
Risks:						
Contingencies:						
Evidence:		Phasing:				
B&NES Council Report (Feb 2013)		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-202	20/21	2021/22-2025/26	
http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s24562/Core	e%20Strategy%20Annex%201.	>	>		>	
<u>pdf</u>		Relevant policy are	eas:	Lead	Agencies:	
		Keynsham		Deve	eloper	

# KI.20e Sewage infrastructure requirements at East of Keynsham Urban Extension

Category: Water & Drainage

**Status: Key** 

New water mains and sewer site connections required, including separate systems of drainage and downstream sewer improvements to critical sewers.

The most significant impact upon water and sewerage services will be focussed upon the existing networks of distribution mains and public sewers.

Wessex Water have confirmed that providing the rate of development is controlled over a number of years they will be able to prepare:

- Detailed appraisals as the site is brought forward through the planning process;
- Plan the necessary improvements and establish the thresholds at which capacity is needed;
- Improvement schemes necessary with phasing arrangements where possible.

Wessex Water will seek planning conditions to secure an agreed drainage strategy for each site with any relevant contributions.

Cost: Not quantified	Potential Funding Sources:	SHLAA Reference:
	Developer contributions	

#### Risks:

### **Contingencies:**

#### **Evidence:**

- B&NES Council Report (Feb 2013)
   <a href="http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s24562/Core%20Strategy%20Annex%201.pdf">http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s24562/Core%20Strategy%20Annex%201.pdf</a>

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  Description:
- Wessex Water Core Strategy representation (May 2013)

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Relevant policy areas: Lead Agencies:

Keynsham

Developer; Wessex Water; Bristol Water KI.21a (Educational Infrastructure for South of Keynsham Urban Extension): See KI.20a

### KI.21b Transport Infrastructure for South of Keynsham Urban Extension

**Category: Transport** 

Status: Key

Various highways requirements have been identified for this area including:

- The Public Right of Way routes that converge at the site should be linked to provide benefits to the wider area.
- New junction onto Charlton Road would be the most likely principle means of access potentially taking the form of a signalised junction. This could be combined with a new link road from Charlton Road to Parkhouse Lane as per Arup 'option 1'. The widening of Parkhouse Lane could also be sought.
- Vehicular access to be provided from the site to both of the K2 sites. K2b should be provided with a second vehicular access which connects with this site which also gives a means for vehicles from K2b to access Charlton Road through this site without having to travel through Park Road.
- Pedestrian/cycle connections to K2 sites and current/new local facilities should be maximised with provision for new public rights of way within the site
- Provision of a frequent bus service into the site and convenient bus stops throughout the site. New stops are required on Charlton Road to connect the site to services 338 and 349. Keynsham Town Centre, the railway station, local facilities and services, Bristol and Bath must be accessible by public transport.
- Local junctions along Charlton Road towards the town centre may need improvement to facilitate sufficient access to/from side roads.
- St Ladoc Road/Charlton Road junction may need to be signalised to improve capacity from the minor arm. The St Ladoc Road/A4175 Bristol Road mini-roundabout may also require signalisation to improve traffic flow.
- Road improvements to improve access from the location to the A37
- Demand management/sustainable transport measures may provide the most cost effective means of managing the congestion on the A4 through Saltford
- Demand management in Keynsham town centre
- Replacement of mini-roundabouts with signal controlled junctions on routes into Keynsham may be required to provide additional capacity or manage queues. Such measures could also incorporate additional pedestrian crossing facilities.
- Provision of a robust travel plan which provides the appropriate infrastructure, services and information for people to encourage modal shift to sustainable modes.

Cost: Not quantified	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions				
Risks:					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:	Phasing:				
Arup Transport Evaluation (2013)	2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020	/21 2021/22-2025/26		
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	Relevant policy a	eas:	Lead Agencies:		
	Keynsham		Developers/Landowners;		
			B&NES		

KI.21c Green infrastructure at South of Keynsham Urban Extension (i	ncluding ecology)	Category: Green In	frastructure	Status	s: Key	
KI.ZTC Green initiashociore al 300m of Reynsham orban Extension (ii	ncloding ecology)	Calegory. Green in	il d sil o c l o l e	Jiulo	s. Rey	
Must comply with the Green Infrastructure Strategy by ensuring that	the principles of GI and relate	d benefits are embe	edded in the o	develo	pment	
Provide for green space (informal, formal and allotments) and inclu	de an extension to the commu	unity woodland whic	h is located ir	mmedi	ately to the north.	
Protection and enhancement of hedgerows throughout the site, especially the hedgerow along Parkhouse Lane which is of ecological importance. Maintain and enhance the hedgerows on the perimeter of the site to frame residential development. The inner hedgerows should be maintained and enhanced to provide an opportunity to subdivide the sites into development parcels and create green infrastructure corridors.						
Provide improved habitat connectivity, through the retention and enhancement of existing high valued habitat, and well integrated provision of green space (informal, formal and natural)						
Mitigation of any impact on bat foraging habitat and commuting routes						
Provision for Public Rights of Way						
Should incorporate Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems						
Cost: Not quantified	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions		SHLAA Reference:			
Risks:						
Contingencies:						
Evidence: Phasing:						
B&NES Council Report (Feb 2013)	2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-202	20/21	2021/22-2025/26		
http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s24562/Core	>	>		>		
<u>pdf</u>		Relevant policy are	eas:	Lead	Agencies:	
		Keynsham		Deve	eloper	

KI.21d Pluvial/Surface Water Flood mitigation at South of Keynsham	Urban Extension	Category: Water &	Drainage	Statu	s: Key	
Pluvial flood risk to be mitigated through layout design and implementation of SUDS						
Cost: Not quantified	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions		SI	HLAA R	eference:	
Risks:						
Contingencies:						
Evidence:		Phasing:				
B&NES Council Report (Feb 2013)		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-202	20/21	2021/22-2025/26	
http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s24562/Core	e%20Strategy%20Annex%201.	>	>		>	
<u>pdf</u>		Relevant policy are	eas:	Lead	Agencies:	
		Keynsham		Deve	eloper	

## KI.21e Sewage infrastructure requirements at South of Keynsham Urban Extension Category: Water & Drainage **Status: Key** New water mains and sewer connections required, including downstream upsizing works and pumping station upgrade. The most significant impact upon water and sewerage services will be focussed upon the existing networks of distribution mains and public sewers. Wessex Water have confirmed that providing the rate of development is controlled over a number of years they will be able to prepare: Detailed appraisals as the site is brought forward through the planning process; Plan the necessary improvements and establish the thresholds at which capacity is needed; Improvement schemes necessary with phasing arrangements where possible. Wessex Water will seek planning conditions to secure an agreed drainage strategy for each site with any relevant contributions. Cost: Not quantified **Potential Funding Sources: SHLAA Reference:** Developer contributions Risks: Contingencies: **Evidence:** Phasing: **B&NES Council Report (Feb 2013)** 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26 http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s24562/Core%20Strategy%20Annex%201. Relevant policy areas: **Lead Agencies:** Wessex Water Core Strategy representation (May 2013)

Keynsham

Developer; Wessex

Water; Bristol Water

KI.22 Castle Primary Expansion Category: Education Status: Key					: Кеу				
210 places being added to Castle Primary school for the K2 development and underlying population growth									
Cost: Approx cost £990,000	Potential Fu	nding Sources:							
	Developer Contributions/Basic Need								
Risks: Expected delivery date: 2015									
<b>Contingencies:</b> There is a statutory obligation to provide sufficient school place. There could be some phasing options around the delivery of facilities.	ces (primary 8	secondary) and to er	nsure sufficienc	y of ear	rly years provision.				
Evidence:		Phasing:							
Evidence gathering for IDP (Local Education Authority)		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/21		2021/22-2025/26				
B&NES Primary and Secondary School Organisation Plan 2013-2017		>	>		>				
Relevant policy areas: Lead Agencies:					Agencies:				
		Keynsham			Education Authority; opers/Landowners				

K23 Keynsham Leisure Centre	Redevelopment	Category: Leisure	Sto	ıtus: De:	sirable
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Cost: £6,000,000	Potential Funding Sources: B&NES Council				
Risks:					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020	/21	2021/22-2025/26
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		Relevant policy area	s:	Lead A	Agencies:
		Keynsham B&NES Counci		S Council	

# Rural

#### **RI.1 Paulton Library Category: Community Facilities Status: Complete** The library at Paulton was identified as being in need of replacement. B&NES worked on this project with Paulton Parish Council and local ward councillors to provide Paulton with a 'Community Living Room' at the Hillcourt shopping centre. Paulton Library has moved to the shopping centre, which also accommodates a community café and meeting area. By having the library located in the centre, the opening hours have been extended with the use of self service. The library is managed in partnership with the community. **Potential Funding Sources:** Cost: £300,000 capital B&NES Council Capital Programme and expenditure cost **Risks:** Development complete **Contingencies: Evidence:** Phasing: Evidence gathering for the IDP (Libraries) 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26 Library 3 Year Service Plan: http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s16349/E2380%20Library%20Plan%202012-15.pdf Relevant policy areas: **Lead Agencies: Rural Areas** • B&NES Council Somer Valley B&NES LSP

RI.2 New GP surgery at Chew Stoke  Category: Health  Status: Complete								
Replacement of present Chew Magna surgery with new facility at Chew Stoke on the disused Radford's site offering better access, increase in floorspace, modern facilities and scope for further expansion. Service will continue to serve more than 9,000 people who live within 10 miles of the site, including Dundry, Blagdon, Winford, Bishop Sutton, East and West Harptree and Nempnett Thrubwell.								
Cost: £3m Potential Funding Sources:								
Risks: Complete								
Contingencies:								
<b>Evidence:</b> Practice we	bsite: http://www.chewmedicalpractice.co.uk/new_surgery.htm	Phasing:						
		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	/21 2021/22-2025/26				
Relevant policy areas: Lead Agencies:								
Rural Areas B&NES PCT								

RI.3 Farmborough village shop	RI.3 Farmborough village shop pedestrian link  Category: Transport  Status: Desirable							
The grocery shop in Farmborough has recently closed; this footpath would connect the village to the local food store. This would ensure that the village meets the criteria for future small scale development. The cost estimate for this is based on an estimated cost of providing a path at £100 per meter, plus an assumed legal cost, land take and telegraph pole and hedgerow relocation. The transport solution would be a kerbed footway 1.5m wide.								
Cost: around £150,000 for	Potential Funding Sources:	SHLAA Reference	:FAR 1					
suggested transport solution	Developer contributions from development in Farmboroug	h						
<b>Risks:</b> This project only has a reconsidered.	<b>Risks:</b> This project only has a rough cost estimate and the practicalities (e.g. land ownership, deliverability) and impact on scheme viability are still to be considered.							
_ ·	ntributions to support development of a community shop (e issue potentially at lower cost. The Parish Plan Steering Group				_			
Evidence:		Phasing:						
B&NES Transportation Planning		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020	/21	2021/22-2025/26			
B&NES Planning Policy Team of	discussion with Parish Councils	✓						
Relevant policy areas: Lead Agencies:								
		Rural Areas  Bath & North East Somerset Council Developer			rset Council			

RI.4 Batheaston Primary School: New buildings		Catego Education		Status: Complete
The British Council for School Environments (BCSE) declar Commended for Excellence in Design for Teaching and	gs and provided a new assembly hall and two classrooms. Comp red the project as Winner of the Badge in Excellence in Commun Learning: Small Projects (Primary). It was also the Winner of the Sc Vinner of the West of England Local Authority Building Control Buil	ity Involveme outh West Roy	ent and F val Institu	lighly Ite of
Cost: £2.15m	Potential Funding Sources: Government Primary Capital Programme			
Risks:				
Contingencies:		Phasing:		
3&NES education website:	opments/primarycapitalprogramme/Pages/BatheastonPrimarySchool.aspx	2011/12-	2016/17- 2020/21	- 2021/22 2025/28
		Relevant po areas:	_	ead Agencies:
		Rural Areas	E	ath & North ast Somers Council

RI.5 New Village Hall at Batheaston  Category: Community Facilities Status: Desirable								
New village Hall to replace 1950's Church Hall which is reaching the end of its useful life. Final designs have been completed for public consultation in Autumn 2011. As well as the hall itself, meeting rooms and a permanent exhibition space are being incorporated as well as a fully equipped kitchen and bar all aiming at creating maximum flexibility and usage.								
Cost: £750,000  Potential Funding Sources: Private funding from Batheaston New Village Hall trustees								
Risks:								
Contingencies:								
Evidence:		Phasing:						
	nttp://batheastonhall.org.uk/	2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020	/21 20	021/22-2025/26			
	o://www.thisisbath.co.uk/Village-hall-designs-display/story-	>	>	>	•			
Relevant policy areas: Lead Agencies:								
Rural Areas Batheaston New Village Hall trustees					•			

RI.6 A37 Clutton and Temple Cloud Bypass Category: Transport Status: Desirable								
As a Highways Authority the Council is responsible for the planning and implementation of a wide variety of transport infrastructure projects. The Council inherited a number of highway improvement schemes from Avon County Council. Those that require a substantial land allocation are listed in Policy T.17 of the B&NES Local Plan. These include the A37 Clutton and Temple Cloud Bypass.								
Cost:	Potential Funding Sources:							
Risks:								
Contingencies:		_						
Evidence:		Phasing:						
<ul> <li>B&amp;NES Local Plan</li> </ul>		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	/21	2021/22-2025/26			
<ul> <li>Joint Local Transport F</li> </ul>	Plan 3	>	>		>			
Relevant policy areas: Lead Agencies:					Agencies:			
Rural Areas Highways Agency B&NES Council								

### **RI.7 A37 Whitchurch Bypass**

**Category: Transport** 

Status: Desirable

As a Highways Authority the Council is responsible for the planning and implementation of a wide variety of transport infrastructure projects. The Council inherited a number of highway improvement schemes from Avon County Council. Those that require a substantial land allocation are listed in Policy T.17 of the B&NES Local Plan. These include the A37 Whitchurch Bypass which will relieve the effect of through traffic on Whitchurch village by bypassing the village on the eastern side. The policy safeguards the land required for the bypass. Some sections are within Bristol City Council and are protected within their Local Plan saved policies and Core Strategy. The B&NES draft Core Strategy identifies the need to retain protection for the land required for the Whitchurch bypass.

The bypass is identified in JLTP3 as a 'further scheme to develop through the life of the JLTP3' and is contained within Box 11a as 'Plans and Aspirations for other Significant Transport Schemes'. The scheme is assessed under the assumption that a single carriageway road will be developed. The scheme has been assessed by the West of England Joint Transport Executive Committee as affordable and deliverable through devolved major schemes initial assessment criteria and forms part of the West of England short list.

The Greater Bristol Strategic Transport Study identified the scheme as providing local relief to the highway network rather than having a strategic effect. The study also concludes that the bypass would achieve a reasonable economic performance. The A37 South Bristol Park & Ride and Whitchurch bypass study (October 2004) concluded that the bypass would have an overall positive effect on air quality and noise although landscape and townscape would suffer.

The effect of the South Bristol Link connecting the A370 to the A8 and finally to Hengrove Way in South Bristol is likely to reinforce the need for a bypass of the village centre at Whitchurch.

Cost: Not quantified

**Potential Funding Sources:** 

• DfT/Devolved major scheme funding

**Risks:** The 2004 report included an initial design and traffic forecasting report. However, this work needs to be reviewed an updated with more up to date information. No business case has yet to be developed. Various Orders under the Highways Act will be required.

### **Contingencies:**

#### **Evidence:**

- IDP evidence gathering (B&NES Transport)
- WoF LFP
- B&NES Local Plan & Bristol Local Plan saved policies
- West of England Joint Transport Executive Committee (June 2012): Transport Major Schemes 2015 Onwards:

http://www.westofengland.org/media/247108/item%2010%20-%20itec%20devolved%20major%20schemes%2019%20iune%2012.pdf

- GBSTS
- A37 South Bristol Park & Ride and Whitchurch bypass study (October 2004)

Phasing:			
2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	/21	2021/22-2025/26
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Relevant policy area	s:	Lead A	Agencies:

Rural Areas

Highways Agency

- B&NES Council
- DfT

RI.8 Highways infrastructure as	ssociated with Wheelers Yard, North Road, Timsbury site	Category: Transport		Status	: Key			
Existing access to be relocated, provision of footways and crossing plus traffic management as part of any application. Other off site works include footway								
improvements to the Avenue.								
\$106 required for off site works	as previously agreed with Highways.							
Cost: Not yet quantified.	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions	SHLAA Reference:	TIM 1					
Risks:								
Contingencies:								
Evidence:		Phasing:						
<ul> <li>SHLAA (May 2011)</li> </ul>		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/	21	2021/22-2025/26			
		✓			<u> </u>			
		Relevant policy area	s:	Lead .	Agencies:			
		Rural Areas		Local	Highway Authority;			
				Devel	lopers/Landowners			

# RI.9 Highways infrastructure associated with Brookside Drive, Farmborough site **Category: Transport Status: Key** Access: The general standard of Brookside Drive is considered suitable to serve further development, but visibility at the junction with The Street is restricted. Access would need to be secured across third party land onto Brookside Drive. Local impact: There is a lack of pedestrian facilities on The Street and little prospect of improving pedestrian facilities due to restricted carriageway widths. The junction of The Street with the A39 is also sub-standard with any significant improvement requiring third party land. Public footpaths run across the site and would have to be incorporated within the development. \$106: Contributions would be required to secure highway improvements to junctions and pedestrian facilities. A footway would need to be constructed to west side of Brookside Drive. **Potential Funding Sources: Cost:** Not yet quantified. SHLAA Reference: FAR 1 Developer contributions Risks: **Contingencies: Evidence:** Phasing: SHLAA (May 2011) 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26 Relevant policy areas: **Lead Agencies:** Rural Areas Local Highway Authority; Developers/Landowners

## RI.10 Additional Early Years, Primary & Secondary Education capacity in the Rural Areas

**Category: Education** 

**Status: Key** 

The need for provision for early years is informed by the B&NES Childcare Sufficiency Report. In the rural areas there is considered to be greater capacity for existing early years facilities to accommodate growth utilising developer contributions to add extra capacity. This is due to both the lower levels of growth anticipated and the greater potential for extension or expansion of existing facilities.

In the rural areas there is considered to be greater scope for most existing primary schools facilities to accommodate growth utilising developer contributions to add extra capacity. This is due to both the relatively low levels of growth anticipated which is also intended to be spread throughout various villages across the District and not concentrated in one place, and the greater potential for extension or expansion of existing facilities. However, this is dependent on where development is located; not all schools can be expanded and a new site(s) for a primary school(s) may be needed if an existing school cannot be expanded. It is currently proposed to expand Bishop Sutton Primary, Cameley C of E Primary, Farmborough C of E Primary and Clutton Primary schools to accommodate pupils as a result of new housing development and underlying population growth.

Whitchurch is dealt with separately (see RI.14a).

Some rural school sites do not lend themselves to expansion as they are on constrained sites and development in these areas could be an issue.

If additional secondary and sixth form provision is required this is likely to be provided via the expansion of existing schools and facilities. Developer Contributions will be sought to provide additional secondary school and sixth form accommodation if there is insufficient available capacity in the school or schools that serve the development.

Cost: dependent on delivery strategy and phasing

Potential Funding Sources:

Approx cost of a 210 place expansion to an existing school £2,500,000

Developer contributions/CIL/Basic Need

Risks: Changes in government policy could change the way in which education is delivered.

**Contingencies:** There is a statutory obligation to provide sufficient school places (primary & secondary) and to ensure sufficiency of early years provision. There could be some phasing options around the delivery of facilities.

## **Evidence:**

Evidence gathering for IDP (Local Education Authority)
B&NES Secondary Schools Reorganisation 2006-2010

B&NES Primary School Review (Overview & Scrutiny Panel) 25 Jan 2010

B&NES Childcare Sufficiency Report (Children's Services) for early years

B&NES Primary and Secondary School Organisation Plan 2013-2017

Phasing:		
2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/21	2021/22-2025/26
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Relevant policy areas:

Lead Agencies:

Local Education

Local Education Authority; Developers/Landowners

RI.11 Redevelopment of Paulto	on Hospital	Category: Health		Status	: Desirable		
	lop the Paulton Hospital site subject to capital availability. A I to co locate and transfer more services from a secondary		uld consider all s	ervices	currently provided in		
Cost: £8m	Potential Funding Sources: Strategic Health Authority						
Risks:							
Contingencies:							
Evidence: Phasing:							
NHS B&NES Estates Strategy 2	2009-2015	2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020	/21	2021/22-2025/26		
		>					
Relevant policy areas: Lead Agencies:							
		Rural Areas		B&NES PCT Strategic Health Authority			

RI.12 Step free access to Freshi	ord Station	Category: Transport		Status: Desirable			
Step free access is required for the Westbury bound platform							
Cost:	Potential Funding Sources:						
Risks:							
Contingencies:							
Evidence: Phasing:							
<ul> <li>West of England Joint</li> </ul>	Transport Executive Committee	2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020	/21 2	021/22-2025/26		
		>	>	>	<u> </u>		
Relevant policy areas: Lead Agencies:							
		Rural Areas					

## **RI.13 A4 Saltford Bypass**

Category: Transport Status: Desirable

The Saltford Parish Plan states that the wish of the majority (70%) of Saltford households is for the village to be bypassed. The bypass is included in the Joint Local Transport Plan 3 as a possible scheme to be implemented post 2026. The draft Core Strategy recognises the need for studies to further assess the bypass.

Atkins undertook a series of strategic intervention tests as part of the transport modelling work to support preparation of the B&NES Core Strategy if a situation arose where urban extensions were necessary. Saltford bypass was shortlisted for testing and was shown to be effective at improving network speeds and reducing delay in the locality. Four options were considered and the estimated cost varied between £12m and £19.5m. These estimates omitted certain costs which would inevitably add to the total cost.

The previous Greater Bristol Strategic Transport Study (GBSTS) by Atkins developed a series of transport strategies for the Greater Bristol sub-region. A number of schemes were examined but not included in the final GBSTS strategy such as the proposed Saltford bypass.

Atkins concluded that the scheme would carry enough traffic to justify a single carriageway road, but due to the high construction costs did not produce an effective economic performance to be included in the GBSTS. The scheme would relieve the congestion from traffic passing through the village.

Cost: Not quantified

**Potential Funding Sources:** 

DfT

## Risks:

## **Contingencies:**

## **Evidence:**

- JLTP3
- Greater Bristol Strategic Transport Study (Atkins): <a href="http://www.westofengland.org/media/190063/gbsts%20final%20report%20exec%20summary.pdf">http://www.westofengland.org/media/190063/gbsts%20final%20report%20exec%20summary.pdf</a>
- Saltford Parish Plan (2010): <a href="http://www.saltfordparishcouncil.gov.uk/Core/Saltford-PC/UserFiles/Files/Saltford-Parish-Plan-v8.pdf">http://www.saltfordparishcouncil.gov.uk/Core/Saltford-PC/UserFiles/Files/Saltford-Parish-Plan-v8.pdf</a>
- Core Strategy Information Paper 4 (January 2011): <a href="http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/SiteCollectionDocuments/Environment%20and%20Planning/Planning/Planning%20policy/Core%20Strategy%20Transport%20Modelling%20Technical%20loote.pdf">http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/SiteCollectionDocuments/Environment%20and%20Planning/Planning/Planning%20policy/Core%20Strategy%20Transport%20Modelling%20Technical%20loote.pdf</a>

Phasing:					
2011/12-	<b>'</b> -	2021/22-			
2015/16	2020/21		2025/26		
>	>		>		
Relevant policy areas:		Lead Agencies:			
Rural Areas		H A B	fT, ighways gency, &NES council		

## RI.14a Educational Infrastructure for Whitchurch Urban Extension

**Category: Education** 

**Status: Key** 

The Core Strategy allocation of 200 dwellings will require an expansion to Whitchurch Primary school by 105 places.

Whitchurch is an area of childcare/early years insufficiency as there is very limited capacity. Yields calculated by the SPD formula will also require land for development of provision as there are no alternative sites for development.

Secondary school pupils generated by new housing in this area would be within the Broadlands catchment area and Broadlands school can accommodate extra pupils.

Cost: dependent on delivery strategy and phasing

Potential Funding Sources:

Approx cost of a 105 place expansion c £800,000

Developer contributions/CIL/Basic Need

## Risks:

**Contingencies:** There is a statutory obligation to provide sufficient school places (primary & secondary) and to ensure sufficiency of early years provision. There could be some phasing options around the delivery of facilities.

## **Evidence:**

Evidence gathering for IDP (Local Education Authority)
B&NES Primary and Secondary School Organisation Plan 2013-17

Phasing:		
2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/21	2021/22-2025/26
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Developers/Landowners

Relevant policy areas:

Lead Agencies:

Local Education Authority;

# RI.14b Green infrastructure at Whitchurch Urban Extension (including ecology) Category: Green Infrastructure Status: Key Must comply with the Green Infrastructure Strategy by ensuring that the principles of GI and related benefits are embedded in the development, including incorporation of the North-South Greenway as identified in the GI Strategy Provide for green space (informal, formal and allotments) as part of a comprehensive Green Infrastructure Strategy for the location. Mitigation of landscape impact by providing additional structure planting and improving hedgerows. Provision for Public Rights of Way Should incorporate Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems Cost: Not quantified **Potential Funding Sources:** SHLAA Reference: Developer contributions Risks: **Contingencies: Evidence:** Phasing: B&NES Council Report (Feb 2013) 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26 http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s24562/Core%20Strategy%20Annex%201. pdf **Lead Agencies:** Relevant policy areas: Developer Rural areas

RI.14c Transport Infrastructure for Whitchurch Urban Extension		Category: Transpo	rt	Statu	s: Key
Ensure public transport accessibility					
Ensure good pedestrian and cycle access					
Cost: Not quantified	Potential Funding Sources: Developer contributions		S	HLAA R	eference:
Risks:					
Contingencies:					
Evidence:		Phasing:			
B&NES Council Report (Feb 2013)		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-20	20/21	2021/22-2025/26
http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s24562/Core%20Strategy%20Annex%201.pdf		>	>		>
		Relevant policy areas:		Lead Agencies:	
		Rural areas		Deve	eloper

# RI.14d Sewage infrastructure requirements at Whitchurch Urban Extension Category: Water & Drainage **Status: Key** New water mains and sewer connections required, including downstream upsizing works and pumping station upgrade. The most significant impact upon water and sewerage services will be focussed upon the existing networks of distribution mains and public sewers. Wessex Water have confirmed that providing the rate of development is controlled over a number of years they will be able to prepare: Detailed appraisals as the site is brought forward through the planning process; Plan the necessary improvements and establish the thresholds at which capacity is needed: Improvement schemes necessary with phasing arrangements where possible. Wessex Water will seek planning conditions to secure an agreed drainage strategy for each site with any relevant contributions. **Potential Funding Sources: SHLAA Reference:** Cost: Not quantified Developer contributions Risks: **Contingencies:** Phasing: **Evidence: B&NES Council Report (Feb 2013)** 2011/12-2015/16 2016/17-2020/21 2021/22-2025/26 http://democracv.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s24562/Core%20Strategy%20Annex%201. **Lead Agencies:** Relevant policy areas: Wessex Water Core Strategy representation (May 2013) Rural areas Developer; Wessex Water

RI.15 Salfford C of E Primary school expansion		Category: Education		Status	: Кеу	
70 places being added for underlying population growth and improvements	to existing po	oor condition buildings				
Cost: Approx cost £750,000	Potential Fu	nding Sources:				
Risks: Expected delivery date: 2014						
Contingencies: There is a statutory obligation to provide sufficient school place. There could be some phasing options around the delivery of facilities.	ces (primary 8	& secondary) and to e	nsure sufficienc	y of ea	rly years provision.	
Evidence:		Phasing:				
vidence gathering for IDP (Local Education Authority)		2011/12-2015/16	2016/17-2020/21 20		2021/22-2025/26	
B&NES Primary and Secondary School Organisation Plan 2013-2017	econdary school Organisation Flam 2013-2017		y areas:		Lead Agencies:	
			Rural areas		Local Education Authority; Developers/Landowners	

# **Appendix: Information gathering**

# Summary of B&NES Infrastructure Survey

Between December 2009 and March 2010 a comprehensive survey of infrastructure providers was undertaken to inform the first detailed draft IDP. The survey questionnaire is included below.

Alongside this survey a workshop for infrastructure providers was held and stakeholders were also provided with information on demographic change and details of the Core Strategy Options paper.

In a number of cases one to one meetings with the stakeholders were also held to discuss the questionnaire return. Questionnaires were received from the following stakeholders:

- Highways Agency
- First
- Transportation, B&NES
- Western Power Distribution (South West Plc)
- National Grid
- Environment Agency
- Wessex Water
- Bristol Water
- Waste Services, B&NES
- Economic Development & Regeneration, B&NES
- Parks & Open Space, B&NES
- Strategic Housing, B&NES
- University of Bath
- Children's Services, B&NES
- Norton Radstock College
- Royal United Hospital
- B&NES Primary Care Trust
- Avon Fire & Rescue
- Avon & Somerset Constabulary
- Great Western Ambulance Service
- Culture, Leisure & Tourism, B&NES
- Sports & Active Leisure, B&NES

# Summary of November 2010 engagement with Infrastructure Providers

A stakeholder consultation on the draft Infrastructure Delivery Plan was undertaken in November 2010. This was a further opportunity for the key stakeholders to update the status of their projects and to reflect the outcomes of the October 2010 spending review. Stakeholders were asked to provide specific comments on the draft at this stage.

The stakeholders were also provided with the latest information on the Core Strategy approach to housing and employment development anticipated during the period to 2026.

Comments were received from the following stakeholders:

- Royal United Hospital, Bath (Acute Care)
- Sports & Active Leisure, B&NES (Built Sports Facilities, Playing Pitches)
- Children's Services, B&NES (including education, youth services and play services)
- Environment Team, B&NES (relating to ecology and green infrastructure)
- Environment Agency
- Avon Fire & Rescue
- National Grid
- Parks & Open Space, B&NES
- Avon & Somerset Constabulary
- Economic Development & Regeneration, B&NES
- B&NES Primary Care Trust
- Western Power Distribution (South West Plc)
- Transportation, B&NES
- Waste Services, B&NES
- Wessex Water
- Bristol Water
- Strategic Housing, B&NES

## Summary of April 2011 engagement with Infrastructure Providers

Prior to submission of the Core Strategy, it was necessary to update the IDP following comments from infrastructure providers during the draft Core Strategy consultation period. At this time new information was also available on a number of infrastructure items and so a select number of infrastructure providers were asked for additional comments on the IDP.

Comments were received from the following stakeholders:

- Royal Mail
- Highways Agency
- Wessex Water
- Transportation, B&NES
- Sports & Active Leisure, B&NES (Built Sports Facilities, Playing Pitches)
- Environment Team, B&NES (relating to green infrastructure)
- Economic Development & Regeneration, B&NES
- Policy and Partnerships, B&NES

# Summary of October 2011 engagement with Infrastructure Providers

During October 2011 a briefing session was held for infrastructure providers, updating them on the quantum of growth proposed in the draft Core Strategy, updated ONS population projections, the commencement of work to develop a Community Infrastructure Levy, and the current information held by the Council concerning infrastructure. The following stakeholders attended:

- Avon Fire and Rescue Service
- Avon Wildlife Trust
- Bath Spa University
- British Waterways
- Environment Agency
- First Bus
- Great Western Ambulance Service
- Highways Agency
- Homes and Communities Agency
- Mendip District Council

- Network Rail
- Royal United Hospital, Bath
- Somer Housing Group
- South Gloucestershire Council
- West of England Partnership
- Western Power Distribution
- Affordable Housing, B&NES
- Ecology, B&NES
- Education, B&NES
- Economic Development, B&NES
- Green Infrastructure, B&NES
- Environment Team, B&NES
- Green Space, B&NES
- Neighbourhood Services, B&NES
- Corporate Sustainability, B&NES
- Transportation, B&NES
- Waste Services, B&NES

Subsequent comments were received from the following stakeholders:

- British Waterways
- Great Western Ambulance
- Environment Agency
- National Grid
- Wessex Water
- Western Power Distribution
- Woodland Trust
- Affordable Housing, B&NES
- Corporate Sustainability, B&NES
- Early Years, B&NES
- Waste Services, B&NES
- Environment Team, B&NES
- Transport, B&NES

# Summary of 2012 engagement with Infrastructure Providers

During 2012 the IDP was updated to support the introduction of the B&NES Community Infrastructure Levy. A number of one to one sessions were held with the following stakeholders:

- Transport, B&NES
- Affordable Housing, B&NES
- Waste Services, B&NES
- Libraries, B&NES
- Economic Development, B&NES
- Corporate Sustainability, B&NES
- Education, B&NES
- Environment Team, B&NES
- Design and Projects Team (flooding and drainage), B&NES
- Development & Regeneration, B&NES
- B&NES PCT

# Summary of 2013 engagement with Infrastructure Providers

During 2013 the IDP was updated to support the revisions made to the Core Strategy. Comments were received from the following stakeholders:

- Bristol Water
- Corporate Sustainability, B&NES
- Development & Regeneration, B&NES
- Education, B&NES
- Library Services, B&NES
- NHS B&NES
- Royal United Hospital Bath NHS Trust
- Transport, B&NES
- Waste Services, B&NES
- Wessex Water

# Summary of 2014 engagement with Infrastructure Providers

During 2014 the IDP was updated to support work on the Community Infrastructure levy. Comments were received from the following internal stakeholders:

- Corporate Sustainability, B&NES
- Development & Regeneration, B&NES

- Education, B&NES
- Library Services, B&NES
- Transport, B&NES
- Waste Services, B&NES
- Sports & Active Leisure, B&NES
- Policy and Partnerships, B&NES
- Arts Development, B&NES
- Green Infrastructure, B&NES

As part of the future consultation planned to be held on CIL in 2014, the Council will consult external infrastructure stakeholders on the IDP.