

Thurrock Interim Local Transport Strategy

Connecting Thurrock – Vision 2050

VISION STATEMENT

Local Development Plan
Task Force
29 November 2021

Outline Draft Vision

Thurrock Transport Strategy – Refresh

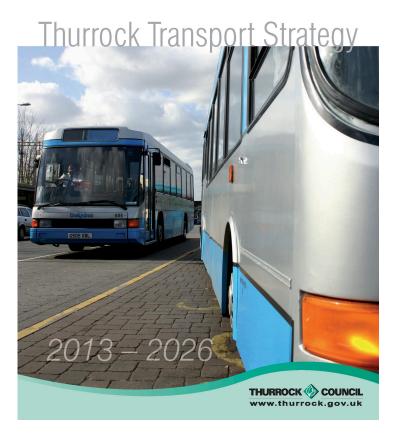
Why are we doing it?

- Revised government housing delivery targets;
- Government transport and climate change policy reforms and changing priorities;
- Government planning reforms and changes to sources of government funding;
- The development of a new Local Plan for Thurrock to be adopted in 2023/24;
- The Highways Agency evolving plans and timescale for the implementation of the Lower Thames Crossing;
- A proposed new sub-regional transport body Transport East;
- The continuing effects effect of economic downturns in 2008 and 2020.





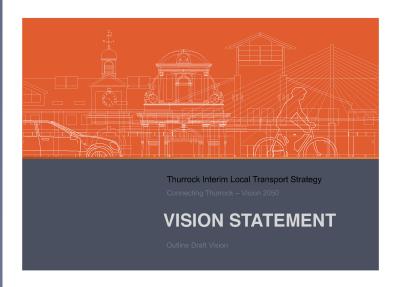




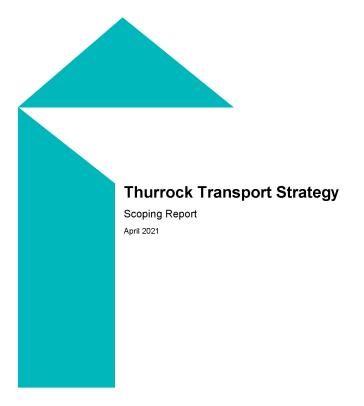
Thurrock Interim Transport Strategy

Work to date









Transport Strategy, Policy and Plans

Key Studies and Technical Work

- Transport Baseline Study and Vision for Movement Draft Versions
- Thurrock Interim Transport Strategy, 2021/22 to 2039/40 Completed as Draft
- Preliminary Appraisal of Growth Options Technical work underway
- Parking Strategy & Standards Completed, not yet approved.
- Growth Area Transport Access Studies Started with focus in New Year (local area transport models)
- Site Transport Connectivity Assessments Start in New Year
- Bus Strategy (Building on Bus Services Improvement Plan) Start in New Year
- Local Cycling and Walking Implementation Plan (LCWIP) Underway
- Mass Rapid Transit corridor and modes study Not yet started
- AQ Assessment and Model Not yet started
- Thurrock Freight Strategy and HGV Parking Study Not yet started
- Thurrock Local Transport Strategy, 2022/23 to 2039/2040 Started as Interim (With Thurrock Strategic Transport Model – due to be procured in New Year)

Vision and Priorities for Thurrock

An ambitious and collaborative community that is proud of its heritage and excited by its diverse opportunities and future.

Priorities

Three priorities define the vision:

People – a Borough where people of all ages are proud to work and play, live, and stay.

Place – a heritage-rich Borough that is ambitious for its future.

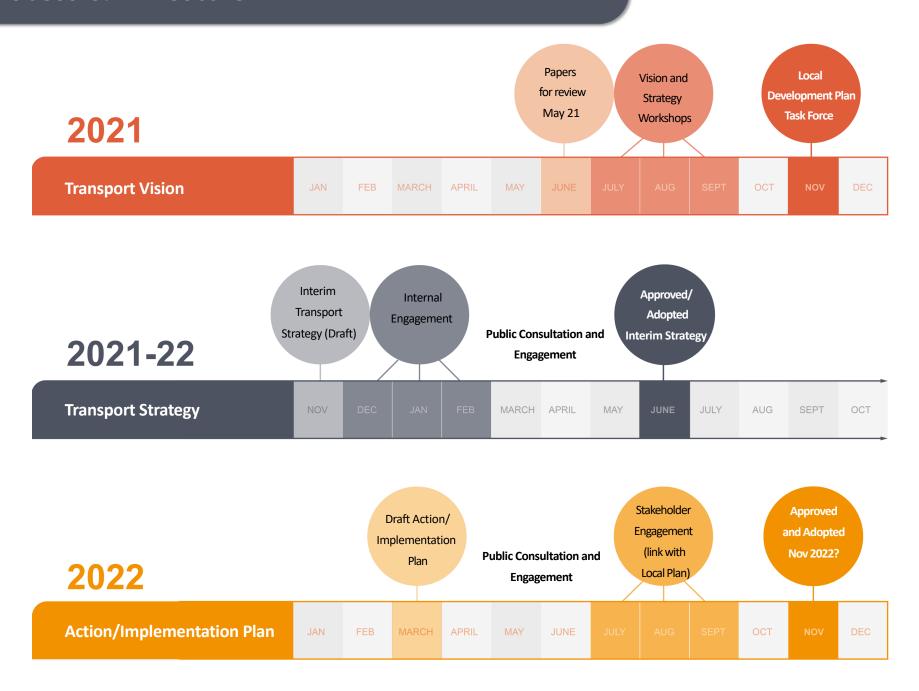
Prosperity – a Borough that enables everyone to achieve their aspirations.



Figure 3 Thurrock vision and priorities

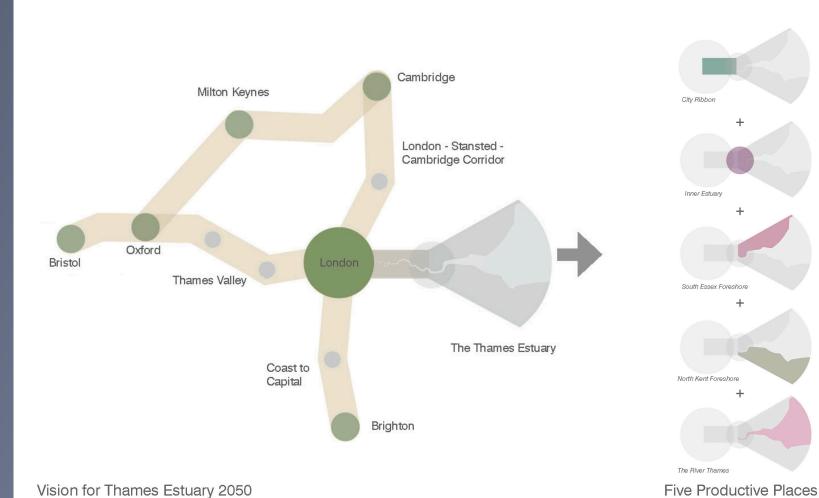
Process & Timescale

(Draft for discussion)

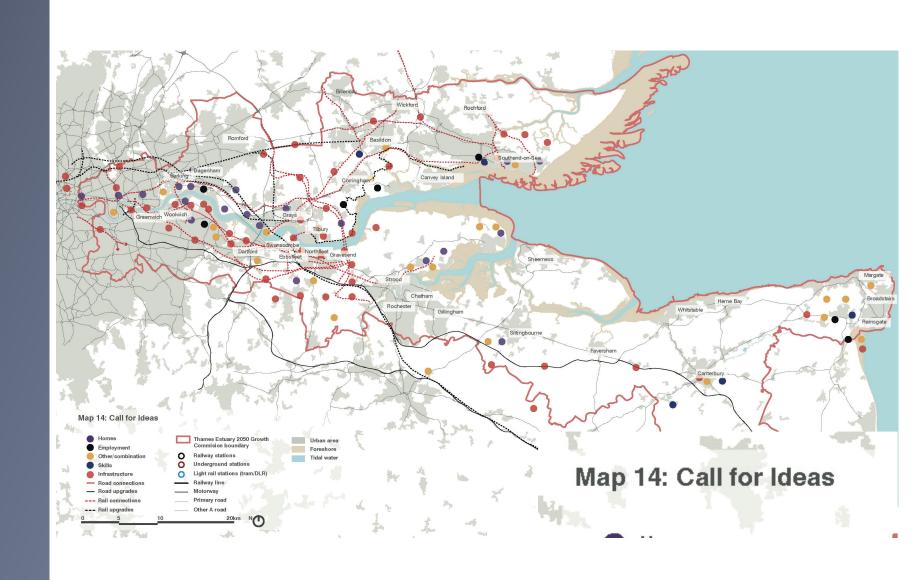


Thames Estuary 2050 Growth Commission

Where does Thurrock fit within a wider growth and regeneration strategy?



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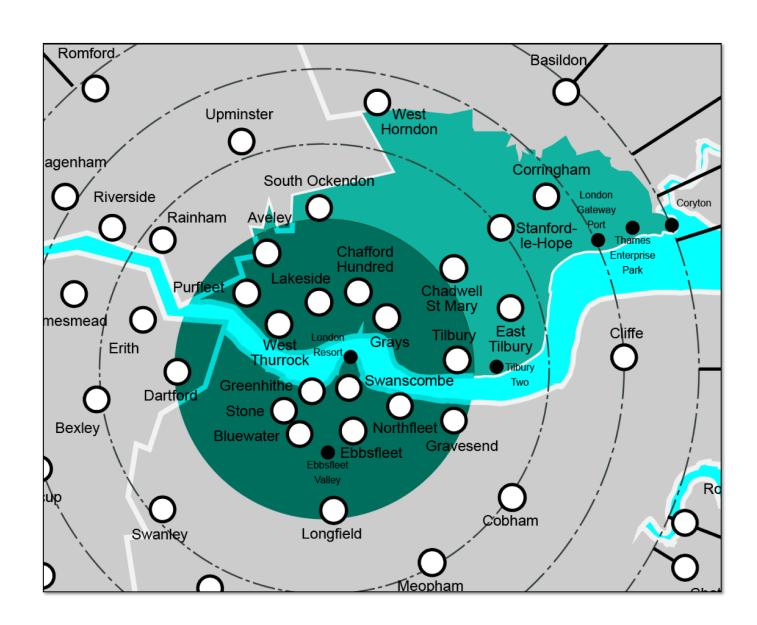


Urban Area Wide – Approach

City region: Grays, Tilbury, Gravesend and Dartford.

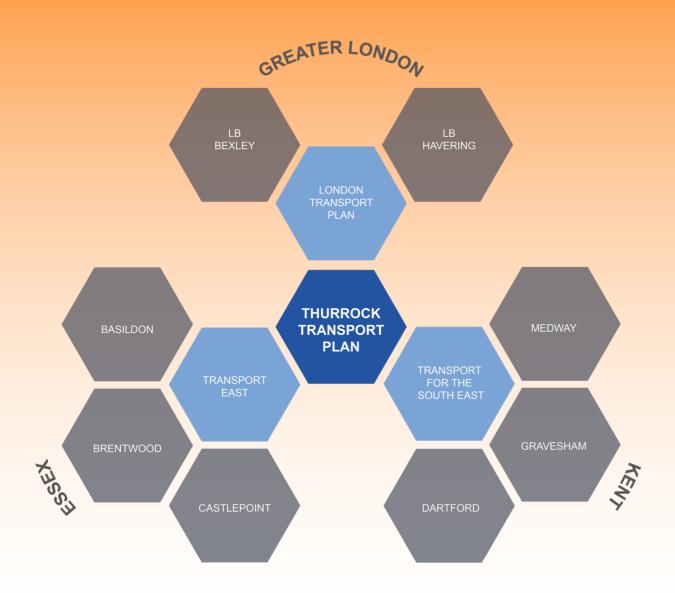
National Transport and Major Developments Local regeneration and growth.

Highly connected town and local centres, with new housing and jobs.



Wider Partnerships

Where does Thurrock fit within a wider growth and regeneration strategy?



Vision & Goals

Statements

Goals

Strategic Focus Areas

Vision 2050 Diagram(s).

VISION - GOALS

Goal 1: An accessible and inclusive network a transport network that is accessible for all.





Goal 4: Health and wellbeing promoting good physical and mental health and community well-being.

Goal 9: Sustainable
Development coordinating land use
and transport planning
in order to avoid,
minimise and mitigate
negative economic,
social, environmental
and climate impacts.



Goal 2: Reducing emissions and improving air quality- reducing all transport emissions including CO2, nitrous oxide, noise and particulates.









Goal 10: Managing and maintaining - A well-managed and well-maintained network that is reliable giving people confidence in journey times.



Goal 3: Climate change resilience and responsibility – a transport network resilient and adaptive to climate change effects whilst minimising climate change impacts.

Goal 6: Modal shift to public transporta significant shift from private car use to public transport for most journeys.





Goal 8:
Facilitating
development,
growth and
regeneration
-Transport
infrastructure
investment to
facilitate growth
and regeneration.



Nine Strategic Focus Areas

Regional Priorities?

Major transport investment for River Thames Connectivity

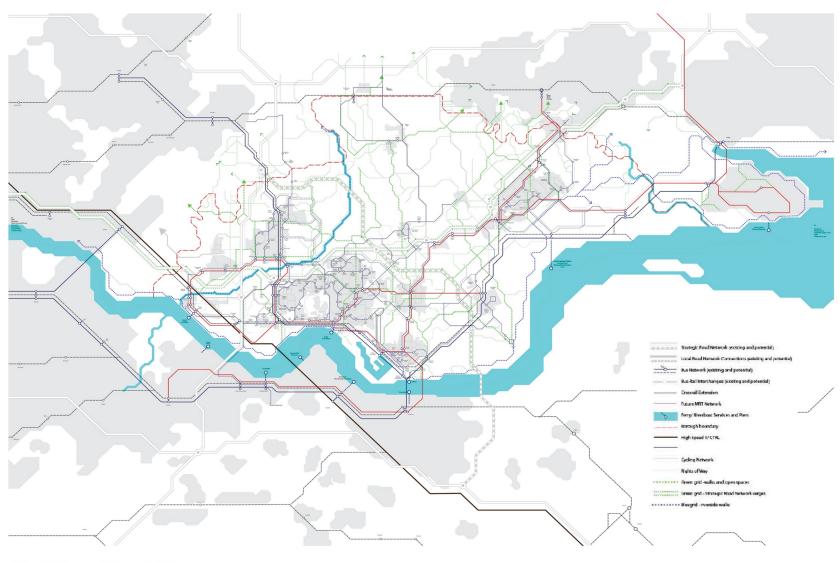
Sub-regional rail enhancements, alongside review of National Road priorities and proposals

Promote and develop Mass Rapid Transit (MRT) system for Thurrock, South Essex and North Kent.



What are the emerging regeneration and growth opportunities across Thurrock?

Scale. Vision. Time.



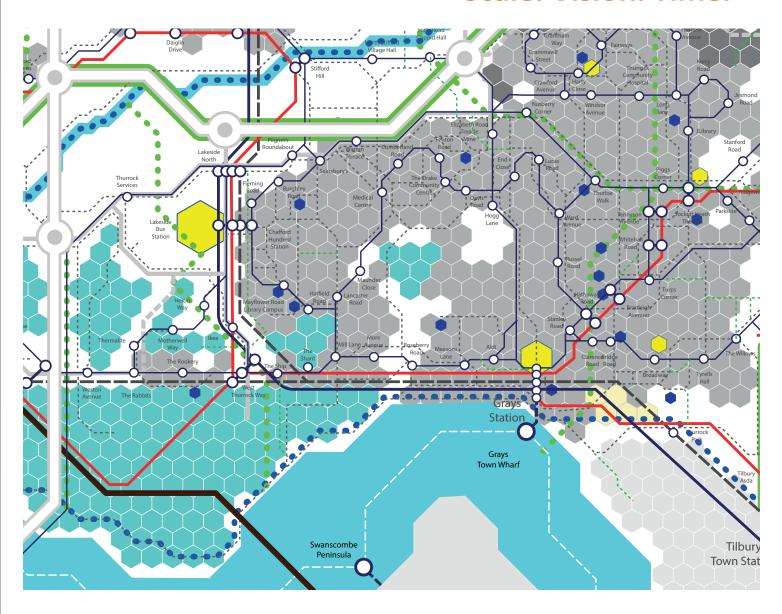
Vision 2050 Diagram (To be updated)

The vision diagram illustrates an idealised transport network for Thurrock in the year 2050.

Transport Vision Diagram (Abstract)

How can transport investment and new infrastructure drive economic growth to create and sustain local jobs?

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Illustrative concepts for growth area transport strategies

Multi-modal & Mode Shift

Preliminary
Transport
Appraisal of
Growth
Options

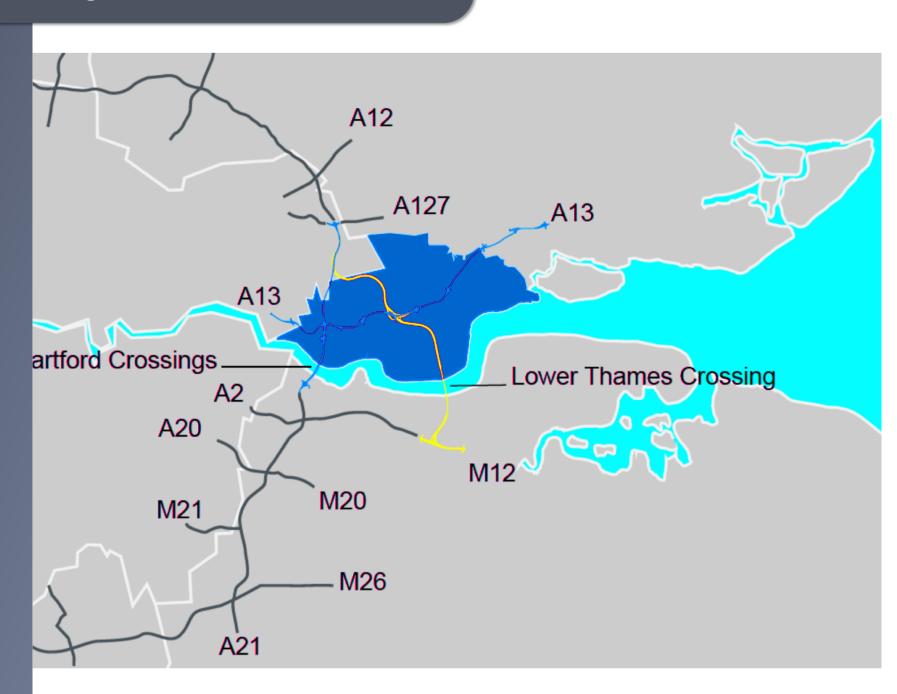


Lower Thames Crossing

How to lock in local benefits from Lower Thames Crossing?

Does this subregion need a sub-regional public transport strategy?

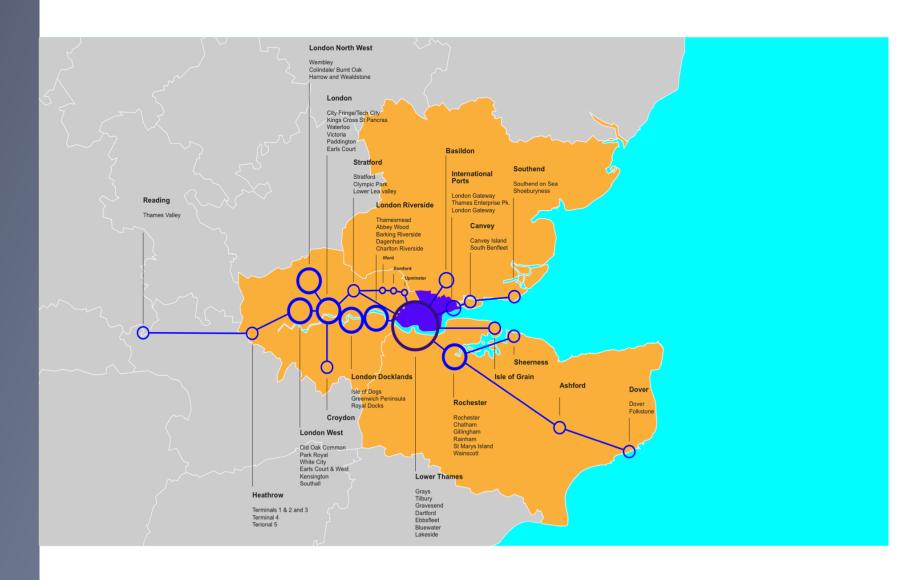
A solution as equally ambitious as these national road proposals?



Regeneration and Growth

What does an integrated transport strategy coordinated across all three counties look like?

How should Thurrock make connections at a strategic level?



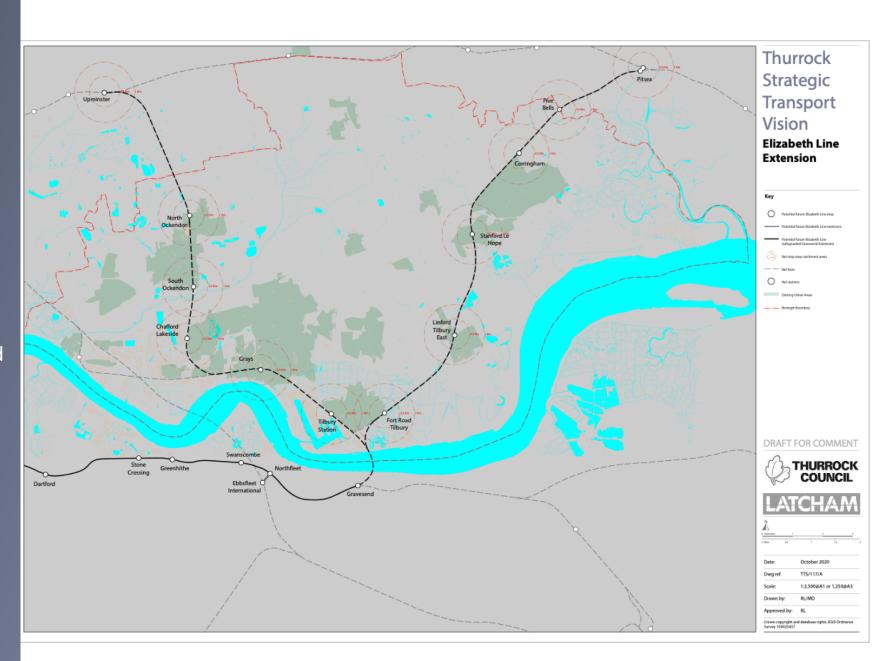
Sub-regional Rail

Extending Crossrail lines to Thurrock.

Go south via
Woolwich and Abbey
Wood to Tilbury and
Grays.

Go north via Angel, Stratford to Grays and Tilbury.

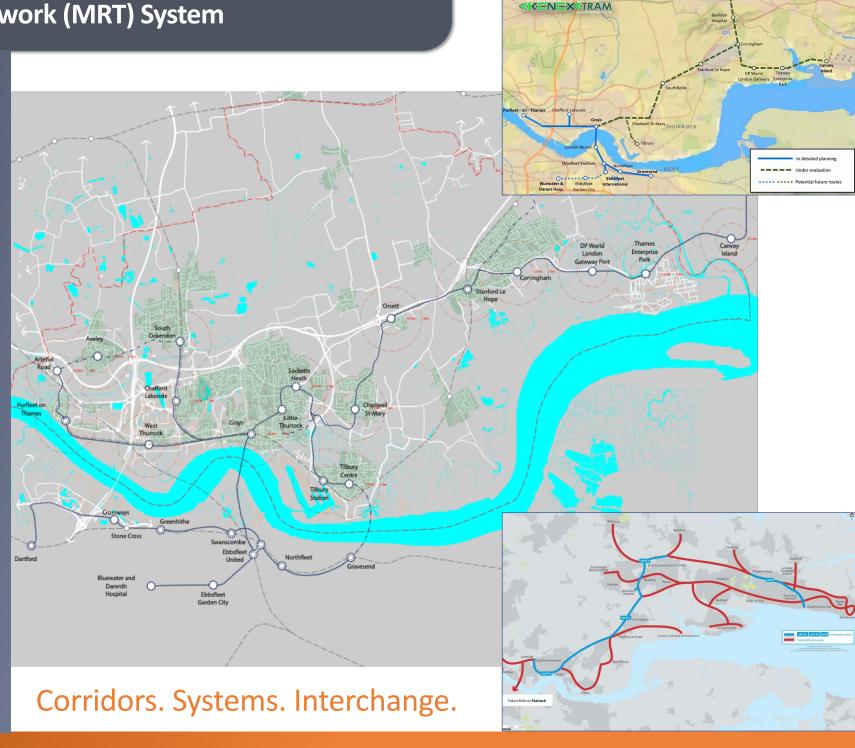
Should it be both?



Mass Transit Network (MRT) System

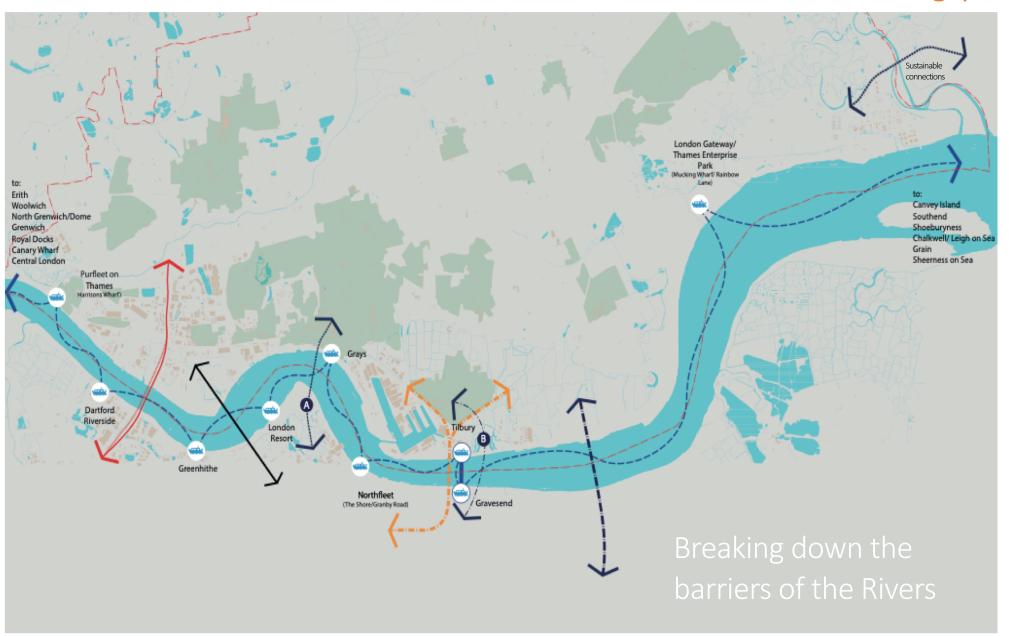
A new mass transit network for Thurrock and North Kent.

Are existing proposals
(i.e. Kenex) sufficiently ambitious and will they serve Thurrock's future plans for growth?



River Connectivity

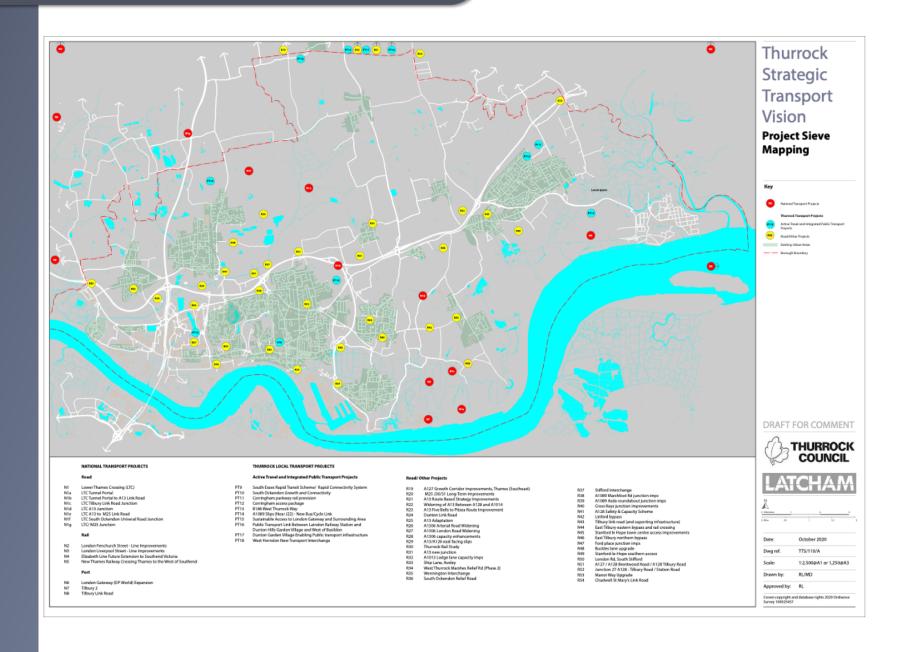
Mind the gap



Multi-modal Roads

Where are the priority transport infrastructure proposals?

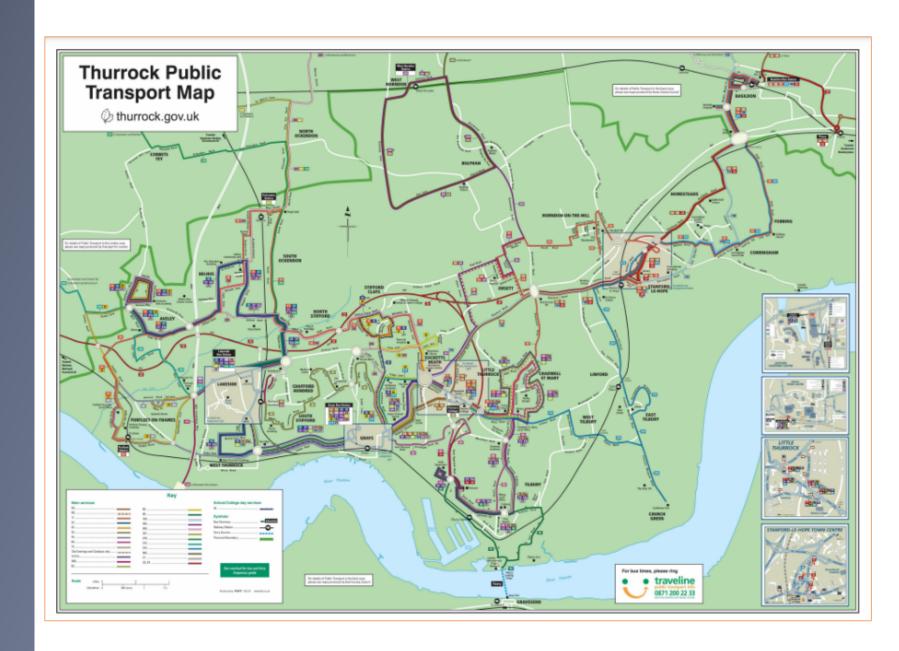
Which infrastructure projects should be defined as 'core' schemes



Bus Strategy

Now: Bus Service Improvement Plan

Future: Could better bus and bus-based rapid transit be the foundation of Thurrock's future public transport strategy?

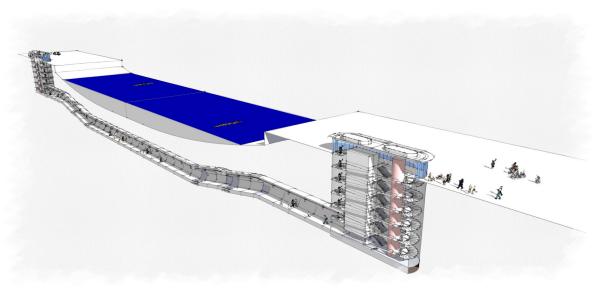


Walking and Cycling

Local Walking and Cycling Improvement Plans (LCWIP)

How can new routes and an improved network better connect people to jobs, local centres and open spaces?

Little and Large





Human Scale

Questions and Discussion

