

Communities, Transport & Environment PD&S Panel 13th July 2015

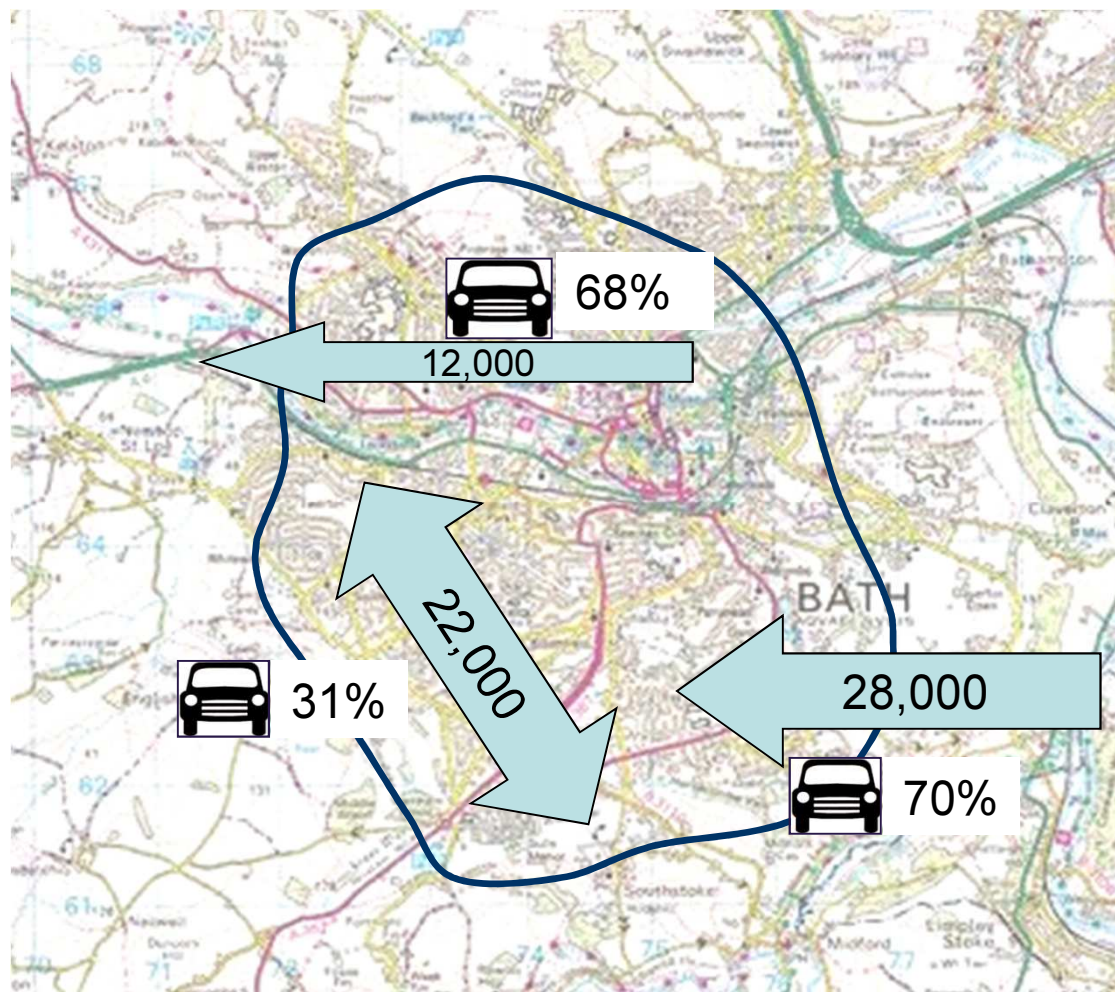
- » Getting Around Bath Transport Strategy
- » Getting Around Keynsham Transport Strategy
- » Chew Valley & Somer Valley Transport Strategies

Getting Around Bath Transport Strategy

- » Why a new transport strategy?
- » Adopted by Council last year



62,000 journeys to work start or finish in Bath



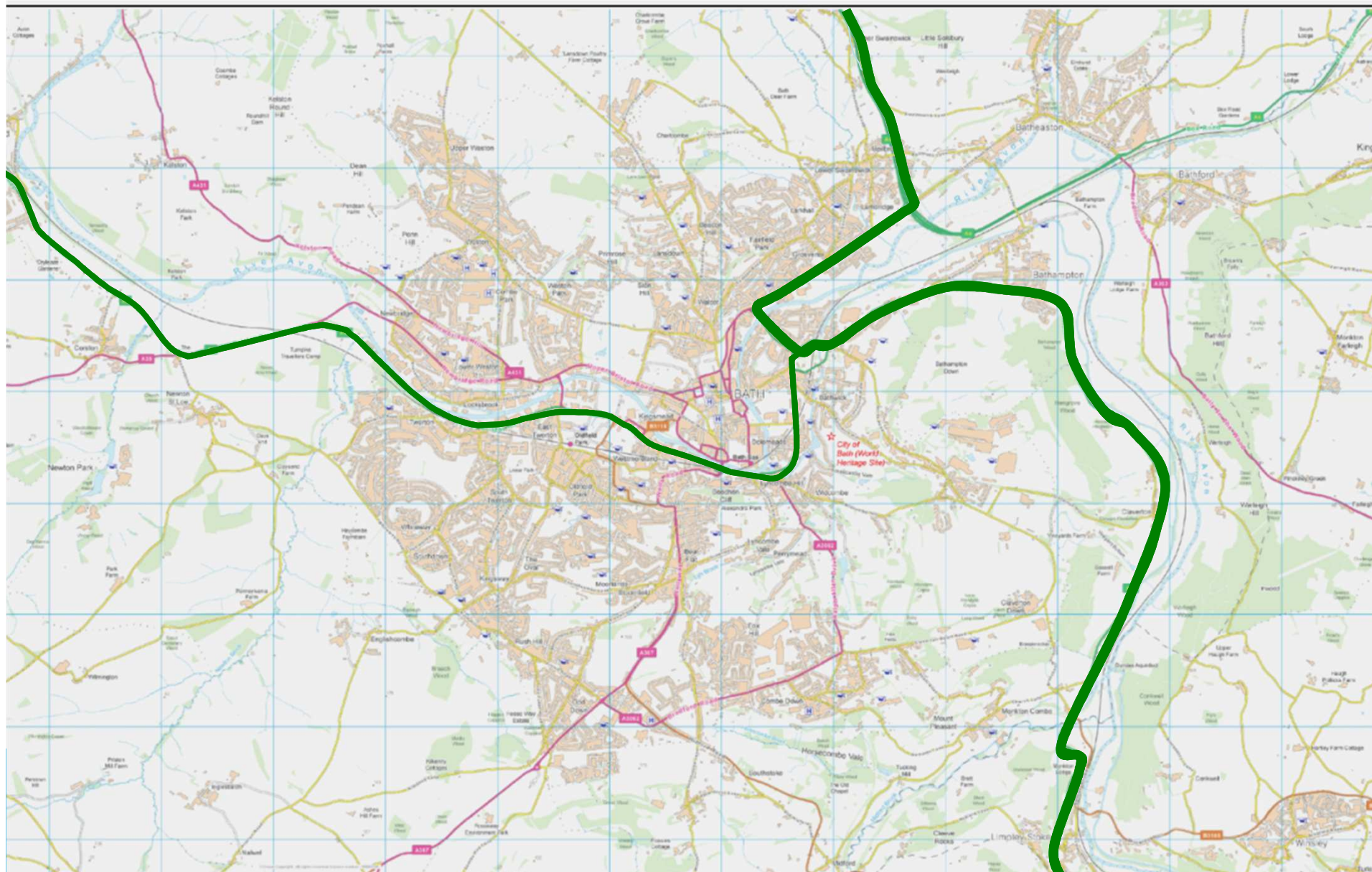
2011 Census

Bath and North East Somerset – *The place to live, work and visit*

Challenges remain in Bath

» Lack of bypass/ring road

A46/A4/A36 National Primary Route

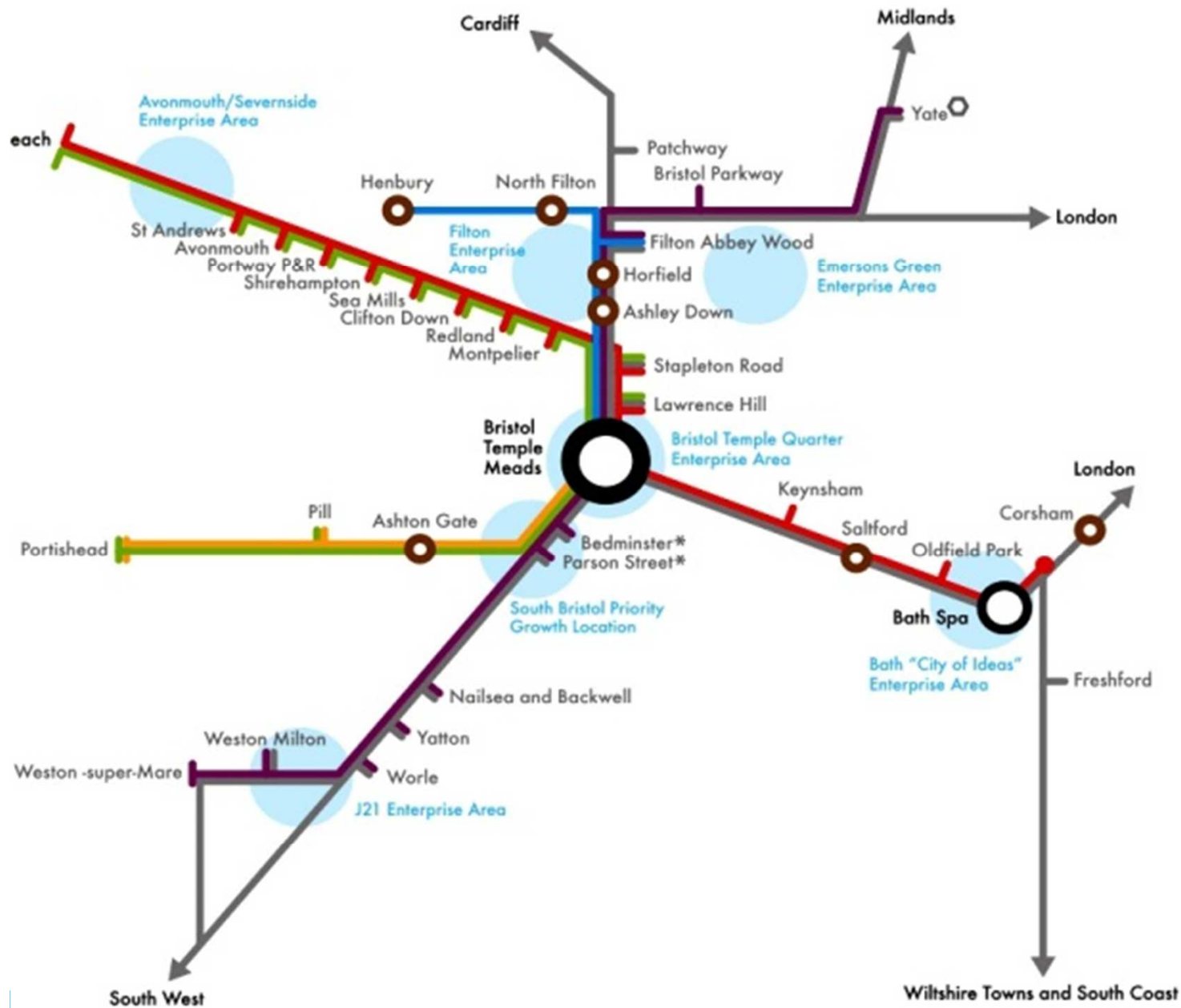


What's in the Strategy

1. That a strong emphasis should be given to **reducing the impact of vehicles**
2. That **walking** be given highest priority in the strategy.
3. That consideration for the needs of **people with mobility impairments** is regarded as a core element of the strategy
4. Vehicle movement should be better managed to **reduce traffic impact**
5. That **cycling** be promoted through better cycling routes
6. The **Enterprise Area** is developed as part of an integrated approach with strong sustainable transport links to the city centre and rail stations.
7. **Car parking** the policy of reducing central area public parking and expanding long stay capacity at Park and Ride sites should continue,

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8. **Increased Park and Ride** capacity new site to the east and more spaces at existing sites.
9. Improved **bus** services
10. **Travel plans** will be promoted for all main activities in the city
11. Maintain the **taxi network** as part of the wider range of transport options
12. The **growth in rail capacity** with Great Western Main Line electrification and MetroWest will support services into Bath. Better services will be promoted to link Bath with the west Wiltshire towns.



MetroWest

Phases 1 & 2

Proposed Rail Network

Existing rail services (local and inter-regional)

Services - Phase 1

Portishead to Severn Beach (hourly)

Portishead to Bristol Temple Meads (hourly)

Bath to Bristol Temple Meads Shuttle (Extension to Severn Beach - hourly)

* Additional stopping services (Cardiff to Taunton) to call at these

New turnback

Services - Phase 2

Weston-super-Mare to Yate

Extend Weston-super-Mare to Bristol Parkway service to Yate with turnback

Henbury to Bristol Temple Meads (hourly)

Possible new stations (subject to business case)

travelwest+

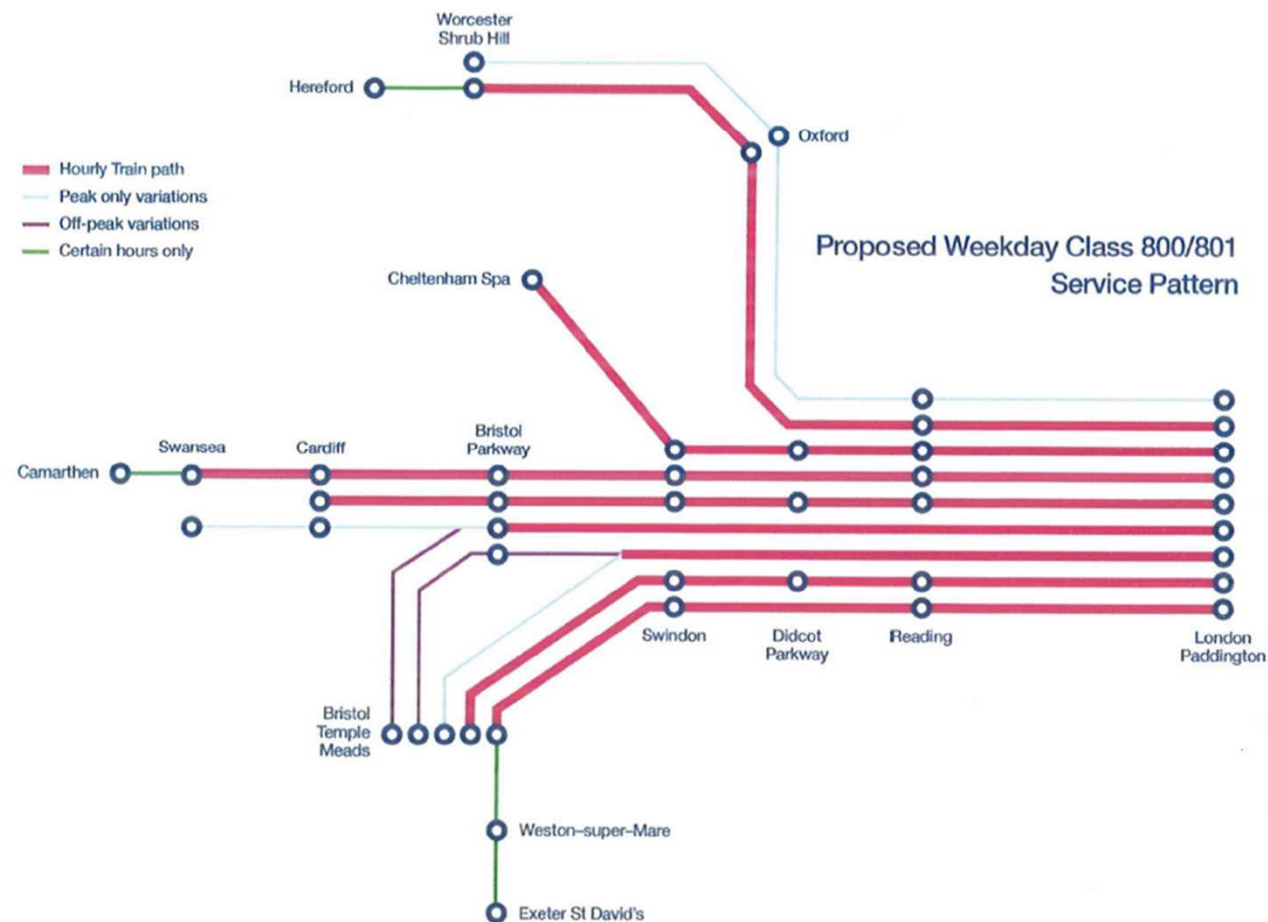
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BRISTOL CITY COUNCIL

North Somerset Council

South Gloucestershire Council

- In the peak the service will be structured slightly differently with a third Bristol Temple Meads service via Bath and a third South Wales service



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- 13. **Coaches** will continue to be promoted as an important means of bringing visitors to the city. The use of Weston Island as an initial alternative to Avon Street Coach Park
- 14. That **freight movements** be considered more fully, particularly to promote consolidation of deliveries and reduce the impact of HGV's.

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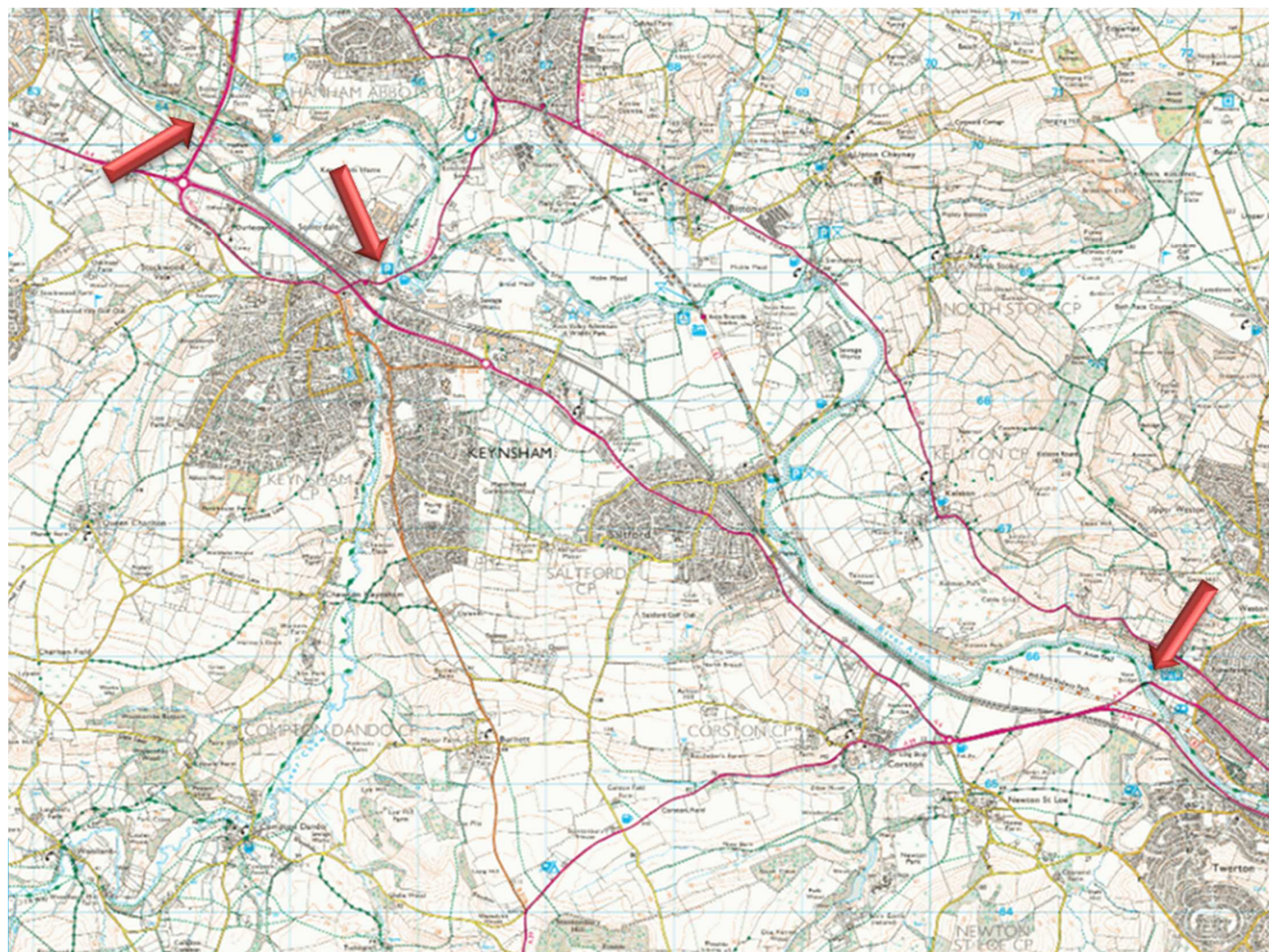
15. Allow the continued development of the use of the **river** for tourism, and leisure uses and other uses e.g. Taxi services.

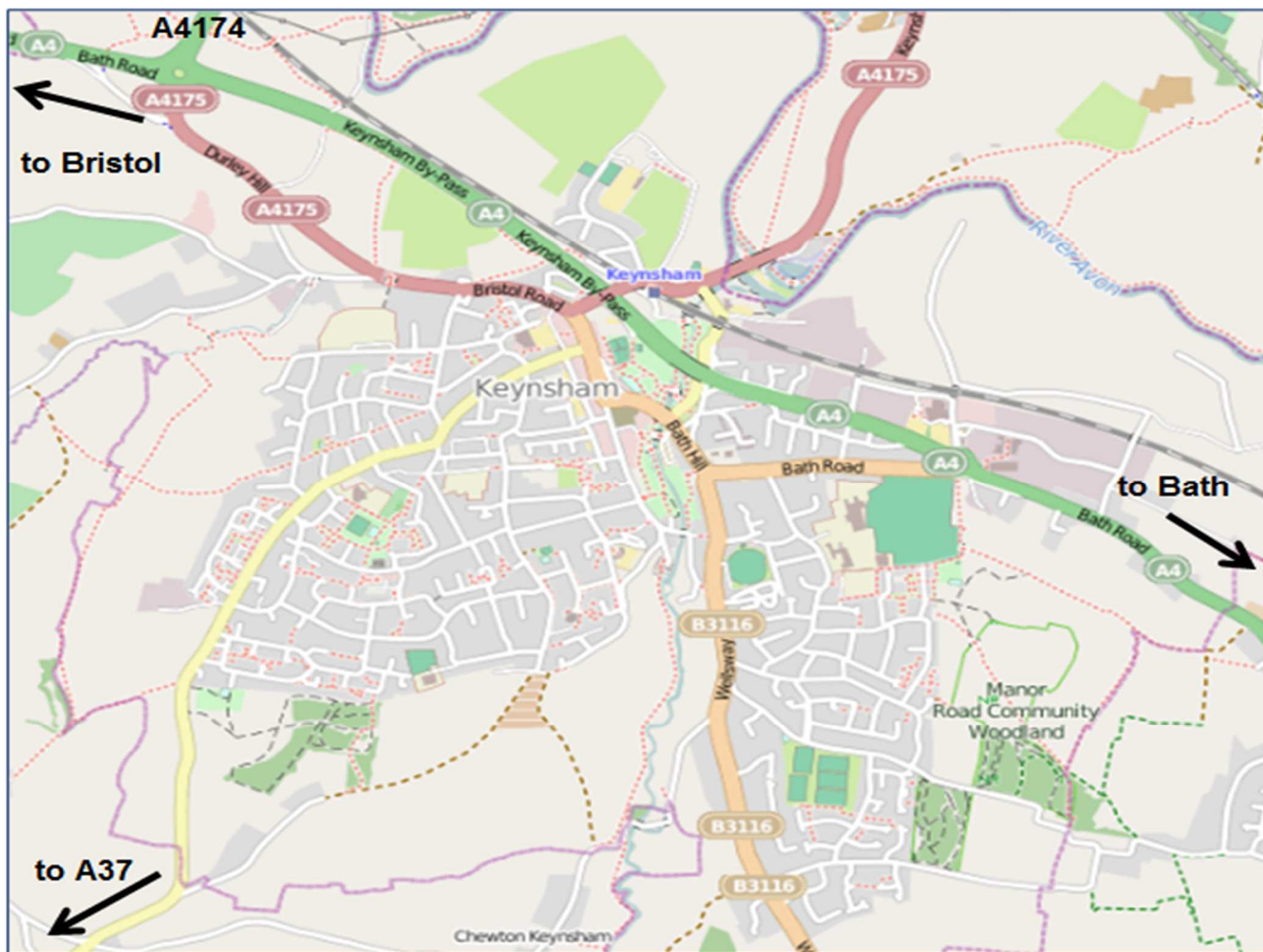
What is to be done - next?

- Develop an implementation plan
- Manage expectations
- Seek funding
- Unresolved issues:
 - City Centre Management plan – what sequence of improvements
 - Embed Public Realm and Movement Strategy and Pattern Book in our work
 - Coaches – drop off still un-resolved & coach park near & far
 - P&R to the east need to take forward
 - Through traffic
 - Trains to Wiltshire ... and much, much more..

Keynsham Transport Strategy

- » Where is Keynsham?
- » Problems
- » Solutions





Proposals from Strategy

- A trial to introduce one-way operation in the High Street
- Network improvements at
 - Hick's Gate
 - A4175 Keynsham Road/ Avon Mill Lane
 - Traffic signals at Bath Hill/Wellsway/Bath Road roundabout

Proposals from Strategy

- Identify priority cycling routes
- Parking surveys kept under review.
- Effective travel plans.
- Build on rail services - MetroWest
- Improved access to the station
- Improve pedestrian facilities in the town centre

- Chew Valley and Somer Valley Transport Strategies – work in progress
- DfT funding being used to extend Chew Valley Work – Total Transport Fund
- will report to future meetings of this panel

Thank you for listening

Any Questions