



Project Overview

Project Title	Leeds City Centre Package - Armley Gyratory
Main Funding Programme	West Yorkshire plus Transport Fund (WY+TF)
Current Forecast Project cost	£41,970,000
Funding Applied for from the Combined Authority	£41,970,000

Scheme Description

The scheme is being delivered in two phases:

- Phase 1 will improve the efficiency of the highway and is now complete.
- Phase 2 will deliver the cycling and walking elements of the scheme and is now seeking full business case approval.

Phase 2 is further broken down into phase 2A and 2B:

- Phase 2A is the replacement of the existing footbridges over the A643 (Gelder Road and Spence Lane) with new foot/cycle bridges and is expected to be complete in July 2024.
- Phase 2B is the replacement of the existing footbridge over the A58 with a new 3-metre-wide foot bridge (Wellington Road) and is expected to be complete in December 2024

The scheme is to be delivered through the West Yorkshire plus Transport Fund (WY+TF).

Business Case Summary

Strategic Case

The Leeds City Centre Package aspiration is to transform travel within Leeds City Centre, through the removal of unnecessary through traffic and to re-prioritise major routes for public transport, pedestrians, cyclists, and public space.

The Armley Gyratory scheme includes works to improve the efficiency of the road and upgrade the current footbridges.



Replacing the current footbridges at Wellington Road, Spence Lane, and Gelderd Road, as part of phase 2, will improve connectivity and accessibility, making it easier for people to cross the gyratory on foot or by bike.

The scheme will encourage short walking and cycling trips. Smaller ramp gradients and resting areas will also ensure all users will benefit from the scheme's footbridge upgrades.

An Equality Impact Assessment has been carried out and feedback from Active Travel England has been considered to support the final footbridge designs.

Economic Case

The value for money assessment benefit cost ratio (BCR) calculated for the full scheme (phases 1 and 2) is 3.57, reflecting high value for money. Phase 1 (highway works) has delivered improvements enabling better traffic flow, reducing congestion, and supporting the redistribution of through traffic away from the city centre to the Inner Ring Road and the M621 orbital route, facilitating the City Square closure.

Phase 1 will deliver significant benefits for motorists, including bus services, while phase 2 will deliver cycling and walking benefits for those travelling by bike or on foot.

Commercial Case

The scheme appointed a contractor to deliver phase 1 (highway works) and has since awarded phase 2A (Spence Lane and Gelderd Road footbridge works) to the same contractor.

The contractor has been requested to review price, buildability, and the programme for phase 2B (Wellington Road footbridge works) with its detailed design expected to complete in April 2024 and tendered costs by June 2024.

Financial Case

The total cost of the scheme is £41,970,000, solely funded by the Combined Authority and delivered through the West Yorkshire plus Transport Fund (WY+TF).

Phase 1 of the scheme, gained decision point 4 (full business case) approval on 6 January 2022, followed by approval to proceed to delivery and approval of £27,930,000, taking the total scheme approval to £31,510,000.

This full business case now seeks approval of the remaining £10,460,000, to deliver the Phase 2 footbridge works:

- Phase 2A - £5,915,000
- Phase 2B - £4,545,000, subject to the conditions set by the Portfolio Investment Panel.



Management Case

Leeds City Council is the delivery lead, with resources and delivery partners in place to progress the construction programme.

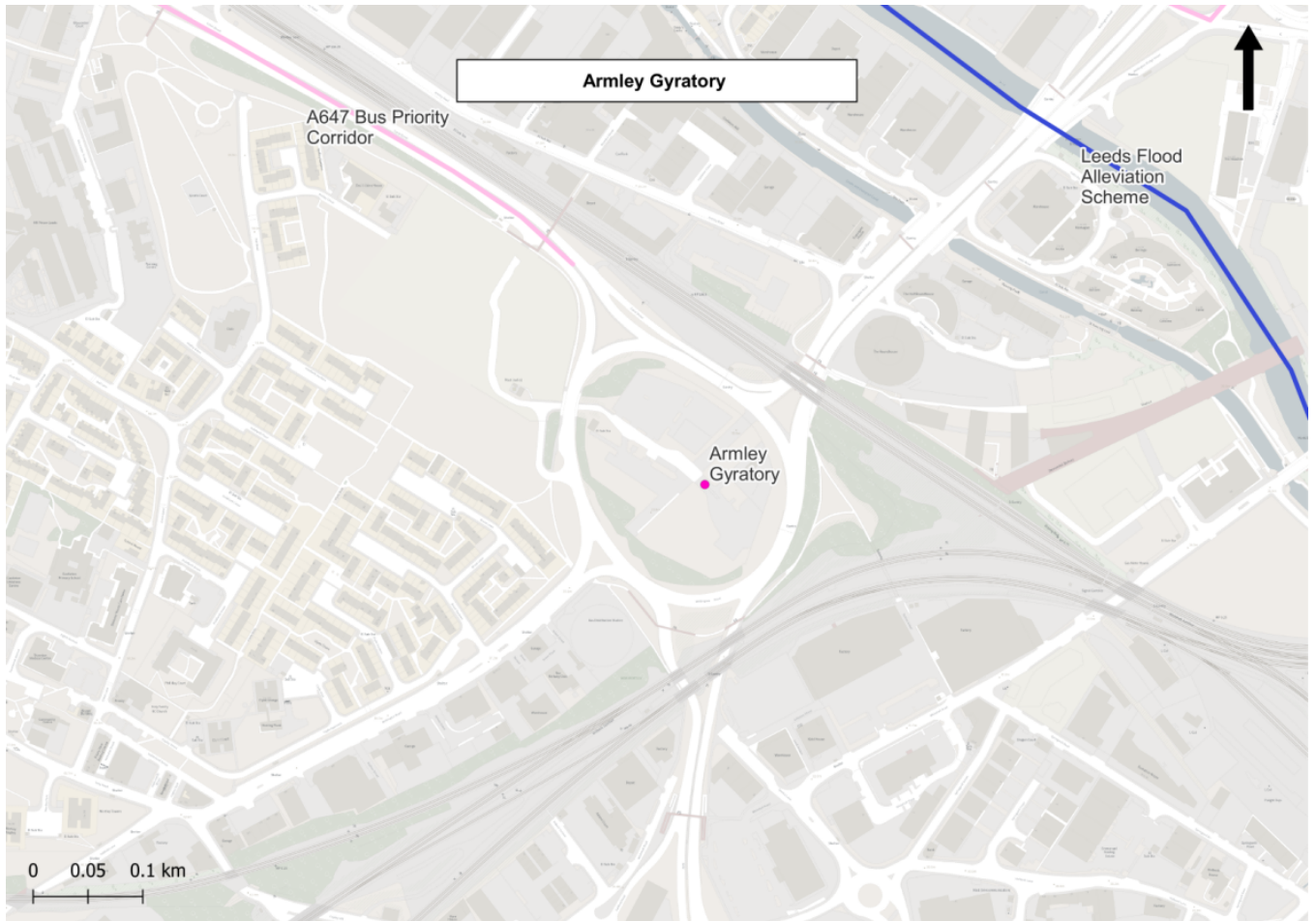
Phase 1 was completed in November 2023. Phase 2 works at Spence Lane and Gelderd Road footbridges are expected to complete in July 2024. The works at Wellington Road footbridge forecast to complete in December 2024.

Project risks are being actively managed by the scheme in collaboration with the contractor and design team.



Location Map

The following map shows the location of the Leeds City Centre Package - Armley Gyratory scheme:



Please note, depending on the level of scheme development, the location and scope of the schemes indicated here are indicative only.