

Project Overview

Project Title	BCPC Kings Road Sustainable Transport Corridor
Main Funding Programme	City Region Sustainable Transport Settlement
Current Forecast Project cost	£34,999,161
Funding Applied for from the Combined Authority	£34,999,161

Scheme Description

The Kings Road corridor is a key traffic route into Bradford city centre, which currently experiences high congestion, impacting bus service journey times and reliability. The current bus stop facilities also require improvement, as does the provision for pedestrians and cyclists.

The scheme will deliver a series of interventions to address transport challenges and encourage local trips to be made by bus, walking, or cycling. This will include new bus lanes and bus priority measures at junctions, improvements to bus stop waiting facilities such as shelters, seating, real time information and route finding. The scheme will also include new cycle lanes, improvements to pavements and new crossing points, as well as reducing the speed limit to improve safety and reduce risk of casualties.

Business Case Summary

Strategic Case

The Kings Road corridor is a key traffic route into Bradford city centre, and currently experiences high levels of congestion. This presents challenges to bus service journey times and reliability. The current bus stop facilities are also in need of improvement, as are the footpaths and pedestrian crossing points.

Improvements to infrastructure for cyclists and pedestrians will create a more accessible and safe environment for walking and cycling.

To address the challenges, several options have been considered with the preferred way forward including:

- New bus lanes and bus priority at junctions.
- Improvements to bus stop waiting facilities such as shelters, seating, real time information and route finding.
- New cycle lanes.

- Improvements to pavements and new crossing points.
- Reducing speed limits to provide a consistent speed limit along the corridor, and implementing corridor wide parking management measures.

The scheme will help deliver the Council's emerging Local Plan and objectives of the CRSTS programme, as well as the West Yorkshire Mayoral pledge totackle the climate emergency, as well asprioritising the Strategic Economic Framework including "Enabling Inclusive Growth".

Enagagement with several stakeholders has been carried out. Those involved include local schools, a bus operator, mobility planning groups, local councillors/ward members and local businesses – all through a mix of in-person and virtual meetings, as well as email communications. Feedback received has helped develop the preferred way forward proposal, with a full public consultation exercise to be carried out ahead of the outline business case submission.

Economic Case

The preferred way forward indicates a Benefit Cost Ratio of 1.01, categorising it as low value for money when assessed against the Department for Transport value for money criteria.

A more detailed appraisal of benefits, including mode shift and social and environmental impacts, will be carried out at the next decision point which should improve the BCR.

Commercial Case

The scheme is utilising a design and build contract.

Financial Case

The total scheme cost forecast is £34,999,161 and will be fully funded from the City Region Sustainable Transport Settlement (CRSTS) programme.

Management Case

Bradford Council is the lead promoter and has in place a project team, delivery partners, and governance arrangements including the Transport Infrastructure Delivery Board.

The delivery programme forecasts construction to commence in February 2026 with completion in March 2027.

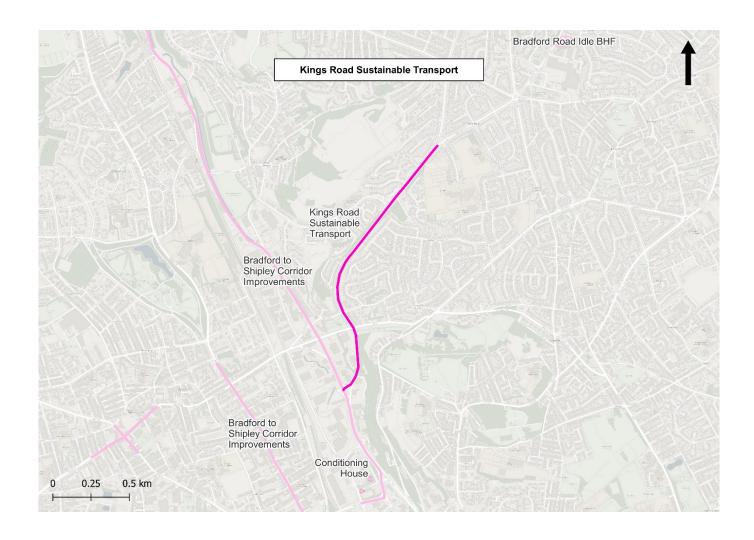
New and amended Traffic Regulation Orders (TRO) will be needed with more detail to be known at outline business case stage.

Monitoring of scheme outputs and outcomes, such as impact of the scheme on walking trips, cycle trips, and bus use will be carried out in accordance with the CRSTS Evaluation Framework.



Location Map

The following map shows the location of the Kings Road scheme



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