## **Section A: Scheme Summary**

Name of scheme:	TCF Heckmondwike Bus Station
Lead organisation:	Kirklees Council
Applicable funding stream(s) – Grant or Loan:	Transforming Cities Fund (TCF)
Growth Fund Priority Area (if applicable):	Not applicable
Approvals to date:	The Combined Authority gave decision point 2 (Strategic Outline Case) approval on 4 September 2020 and indicative approval to total scheme costs of £3,000,000 from TCF, and approval of £229,078 development costs.  The Combined Authority gave indicative approval on 24 June 2021 for £4,000,000 from the TCF programme as part of the Transforming Cities Fund Programme Review.
Forecasted full approval date (decision point 5):	September 2022
Forecasted completion date (decision point 6):	June 2023
Total scheme cost (£):	£4,970,541
Combined Authority funding (£):	£4,970,541
Total other public sector investment (£):	£0
Total other private sector investment (£):	£0
Is this a standalone project?	Yes
Is this a programme?	No
Is this project part of an agreed programme?	Transforming Cities Fund

## **Current Assurance Process Activity:**



## **Scheme Description:**

The scheme is located in Heckmondwike Town Centre, on the key A638 route between Dewsbury and Bradford.

The scheme will improve bus stop arrangements in the centre of Heckmondwike, creating a bus hub. The scheme will involve replacing the existing traffic island and four surrounding bus stops with a new building with waiting area, offices, accessible toilet provision and a changing places room. There will be six bus station style 'drive in reverse out' (DIRO) bus stands and one layover bay, increasing current capacity.

The scheme does not involve changes to the highway network but increasing the number of bus stands should ease current problems with buses queuing, which can impact on local roads.

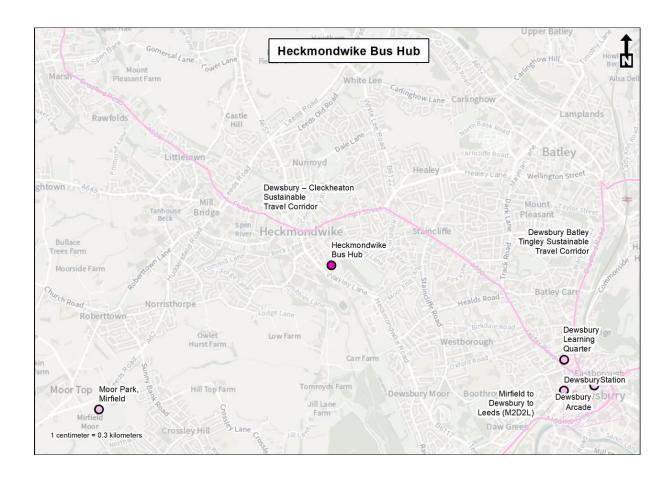
The scheme will have a green roof and significant investment in green and blue infrastructure including tree planting and a sustainable urban drainage system (SUDS) and improvements to the public space surrounding the bus hub.

Business Case Summary:	
Strategic Case	The scheme seeks to improve the current limited waiting facilities for passengers and make bus travel more attractive by improving capacity and the reliability in Heckmondwike.
	The scheme supports Kirklees Local Plan, West Yorkshire Transport Strategy 2040, West Yorkshire Strategic Economic Framework and Bus Back Better, the government's long-term strategy for buses in England, outside London. The scheme complements other schemes being delivered under the Transforming Cities Fund (TCF) programme including the A638 corridor improvement scheme.
Commercial Case	The scheme aims to address declining bus use, encouraging more people to travel by bus in and around Heckmondwike and contribute to tackling the climate emergency.
	Public consultation and stakeholder engagement demonstrates there is demand and support for the scheme, including support from the major bus operator.
Economic Case	The scheme has a benefit cost ratio of 1.05:1, judging the scheme as Low value for money when assessed against the Department for Transport's criteria.

	The economic assessment reflects the scheme will deliver benefits for bus users through improved waiting environment, and public space and air quality improvements
Financial Case	The total current estimated scheme costs are £4,970,541. The scheme cost includes allowance for risk and contingency and inflation.
	The £4,970,541, comprises £4,000,0000 previously allocated as part of the £16,000,000 TCF package approval at decision point 2 (Strategic Outline Case) stage, £320,000 "allocated in principle" from the TCF Carbon Mitigation Fund and an additional £117,541 for the Combined Authority programme management costs associated with delivering the scheme. A request seeking approval for the additional £117,541, has been included in the TCF programme level change request being considered at this committee meeting.  Kirklees Council is also seeking approval for an uplift to its TCF allocation for this scheme, as part of this report, to cover a funding gap of £533,000. If approved this would bring the Combined Authority's total contribution to the scheme to £4,970,541.
Management Case	The scheme will be delivered by Kirklees Council. Scheme risks will be managed through a costed risk register and change management process.  Construction is expected to start in July 2022, with completion on site by
	June 2023.  A monitoring and evaluation plan has been drafted to monitor and record scheme benefits and outcomes over a period of five years post scheme completion.

## **Location Map**

The following map shows the location of the TCF Heckmondwike Bus Hub scheme:



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

For further information on Combined Authority schemes across the Leeds City Region, please refer to: <a href="https://www.westyorks-ca.gov.uk/growing-theeconomy/leeds-city-region-infrastructure-map">https://www.westyorks-ca.gov.uk/growing-theeconomy/leeds-city-region-infrastructure-map</a>