

Project Overview

Project Title	Mobility Hubs
Main Funding Programme	City Regional Sustainable Transport Settlement (CRSTS)
Current Forecast Project cost	£3,312,811
Funding Applied for from the Combined Authority now	£200,000
Other public sector funding amounts and sources	<p>A funding bid for Network Rail Transpennine Route Upgrade first / last mile funding for stations in Kirklees was submitted in March 2023 (outcome awaited).</p> <p>As part of scheme development there is potential to identify third parties capital match funding.</p>
Private sector funding amounts and sources	£0.00

Business Case Summary

Scheme Description

The scheme will develop a network of mobility hubs across West Yorkshire, to encourage sustainable travel, particularly walking and cycling, for journeys under two miles. They will be located near other community facilities that will encourage users to make less journeys.

Facilities at each hub will vary, but will include bus shelter and waiting facilities, better passenger information, improvements to digital connectivity through 5G and more cycle facilities to encourage first / last mile trips to be made by bike or on foot. Parking for e-bikes, a car club and shared bikes and street improvements will also be included.

Phase 1 of the scheme will see hubs at four pilot sites in Calderdale. Additional sites across West Yorkshire, will follow as part of will be follow in Phase 2.

The scheme will be funded from City Region Sustainable Transport Settlements (CRSTS) Fund, the Integrated Transport Block Programme, and the Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP).

Strategic Case

Evidence suggests that 38% of trips in West Yorkshire are less than two miles in distance.

Mobility hubs will provide the infrastructure to enable integrated sustainable shared transport, such as e-bikes and e-scooters, to be located alongside health, work, and leisure facilities. Short trips can then be made by bike or on foot, reducing private car use which would lower congestion and improve air quality.

The scheme supports the West Yorkshire Investment Priority 5: Future Transport, as well as the West Yorkshire Mayors Tackle Climate Emergency pledge. The scheme also supports principles of inclusive growth by locating hubs to areas with low public transport connectivity and/or low car ownership rate, ensuring equal access to alternative travel modes and employment.

Economic Case

The scheme options have been assessed against objectives and critical success factors developed as part of the Mobility Hubs programme.

The value for money assessment for Phase 1 which is four sites in Calderdale, indicates a Benefit Cost Ratio (BCR) of 1.8:1, judging the scheme as Medium value for money when assessed against the Department for Transport's (DfT) value for money criteria.

Commercial Case

Options to procure the delivery of the scheme have been considered such as separate tenders for design and build, a single design and build contract, and a design, build, and operate contract. This will be developed further at the next stage of business case development.

The service and maintenance will be a separate contract. The programme forecasts contract award(s) in February 2024.

Financial Case

The total scheme costs are £3,312,811, comprising £726,000 from ITB to deliver phase 1, £2,336,811 from CRSTS to deliver phase 2 and £250,000 of revenue funding from the Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP) Fund to support maintenance and cleaning of seating, signage, and public space, and bus related infrastructure for example new stops and passenger information.

Management Case

The Combined Authority has overall responsibility for the scheme delivery, supported by the five West Yorkshire partner councils.

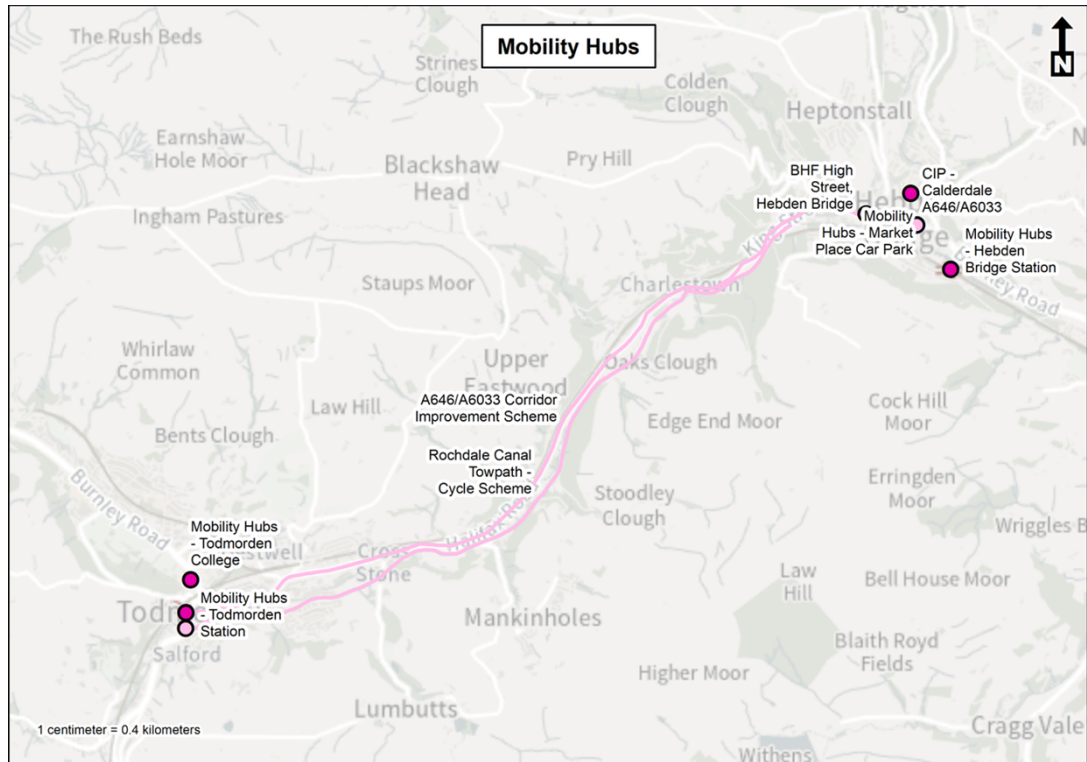
The management of agreements will sit with each partner council and local partners and businesses will be lead on the maintenance of mobility hubs.

The scheme has established a Programme Board and Steering Group and engagement has been carried out, including a public online survey, with bus operators, and with private transport providers.

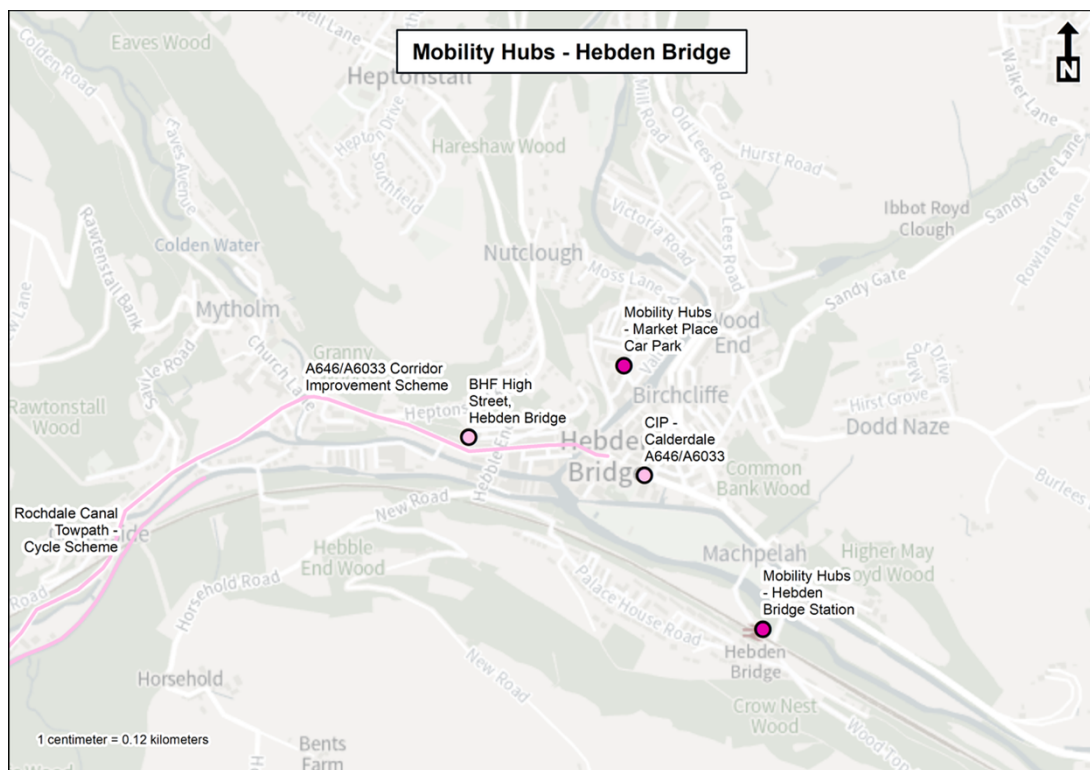
Location Map

The following maps show the locations of the Mobility Hubs in Phase 1 of the scheme:

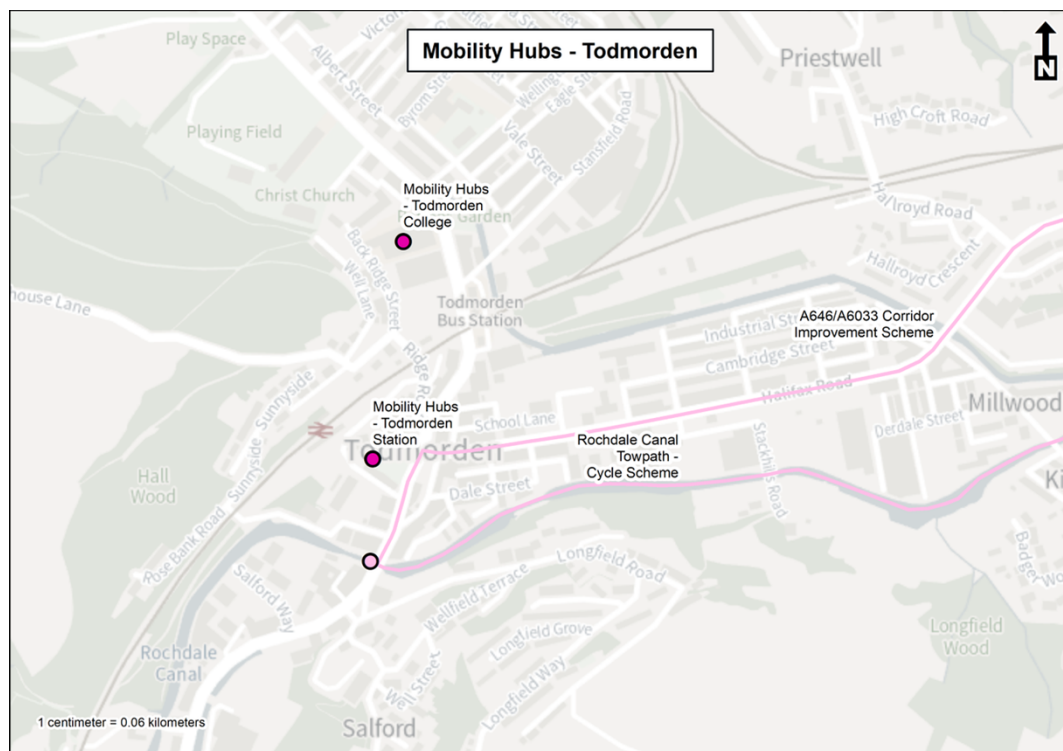
Phase 1 locations – Hebden Bridge and Todmorden



Hebden Bridge



Todmorden



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