

LEP Funded Transport Schemes around Basingstoke – Background Information

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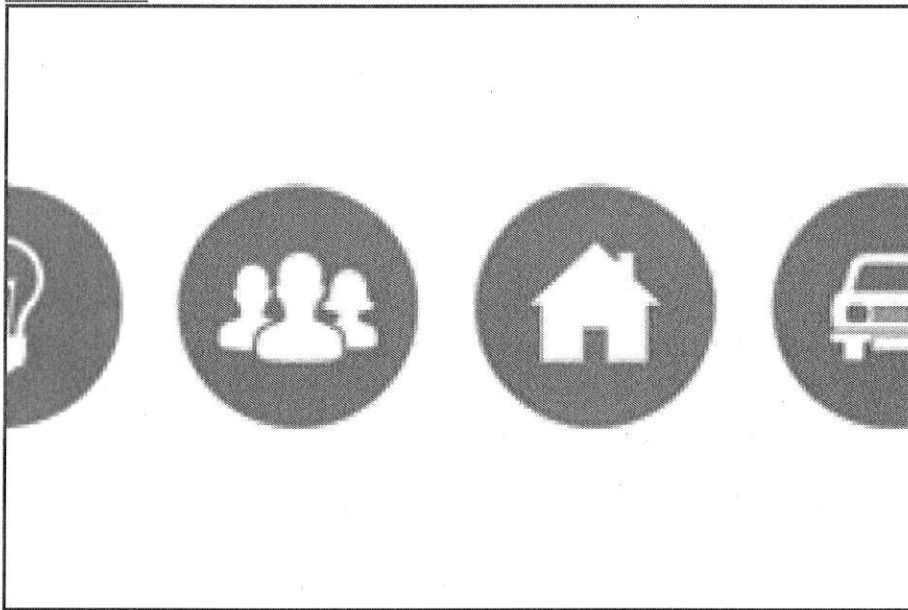
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£118 MILLION FUNDING SECURED FOR ENTERPRISE M3 LEP

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- **£5m secured for innovative 5G Arrow Project at University of Surrey**
- **Over £88m for transport schemes to unlock housing, reduce congestion and improve sustainable transport**
- **£13m for key skills centres across four corners of Enterprise M3 area**
- **£10m secured to support housing in the Enterprise M3 area**
- **£1m to support the Enterprise M3 Growth Hub**
- **Funding expects to deliver up to 8000 jobs in Enterprise M3 area**
- **Growth Deal reinforces importance of Enterprise M3 Sci:Tech corridor to the UK's international economic competitiveness and GDP**

The Enterprise M3 Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) has secured £118m* in funding from the Government's Local Growth Fund. This includes £35m confirmed for 2015/16 that will support economic growth in the Enterprise M3 area, and see investment in key infrastructure projects across Surrey and Hampshire, capitalising on the skills and innovation in the Sci:Tech corridor.

This substantial investment from central Government for 2015/16 will bring forward at least £310m of additional investment from local partners, including the private sector. Combined, this will create a total new investment package of nearly £430m for the Enterprise M3 area. By 2021, this deal will create up to 8000 jobs and unlock the development of up to 7000 new homes.

The Enterprise M3 Growth Deal aims to drive economic development by investing in key infrastructure projects to improve connectivity across Hampshire and Surrey. It will bring together local, national and private funding focussing on four key priority areas as identified in the LEP's Strategic Economic Plan:

- Supporting enterprise and 5G technology

- Growing the skills base in the region
- Accelerating housing delivery
- Enhancing urban and rural connectivity

The Growth Deal will release housing, reduce congestion and improve the quality of sustainable forms of transport across the Enterprise M3 area. It includes new skills centres at Andover, Brockenhurst, Brooklands College at Ashford and Whitehill and Bordon and the investment of nearly £1m in a new Growth Hub for the LEP area. This funding will strengthen the investment in training within the Enterprise M3 area, helping our young people to capitalise on the area's science and technology credentials, with a key focus on funding centres offering science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM) disciplines and construction skills. The funding will also further support new housing developments, as well as assisting new and small enterprises.

Enterprise M3 has committed to deliver the projects highlighted in the Growth Deal, but we have negotiated flexibility over the management of these projects in order to ensure they provide the greatest economic benefits to the area, emphasising the government's confidence in the LEP.

Geoff French, Chair of Enterprise M3 Local Enterprise Partnership, commented: "This funding is excellent news for the Enterprise M3 area. It emphasises the value that central Government places on safeguarding the global competitiveness of this important Sci:Tech corridor for the UK economy as a whole. It reinforces the confidence government has in our ability to action the various projects we have received funding for.

"Many of our projects, particularly the sustainable transport initiatives, will benefit the whole of the Enterprise M3 area not just the specific geographical locations where the projects are located. We hope the investment in skills and education will help to create business leaders and innovators of the future. The 5G Arrow Project, a development of physical incubation space to secure the area's world leading 5G capability, in particular is extremely exciting for us as it demonstrates the technological skills of the area."

Enterprise M3 LEP partners and central Government have agreed to co-invest in the following jointly-agreed priorities:

- 5G Arrow Project - Development of a physical incubation and other space, as part of a joint project, led by Enterprise M3, across the Greater Thames Valley 6 LEPs to secure the future of a new cluster that builds on the area's world leading position as a centre of excellence in 5G technologies and research.
- Enterprise M3 Growth Hub - Development of a Growth Hub that will provide a focussed and co-ordinated enterprise, innovation and skills support offer enabling all businesses, especially those in key sectors identified by Enterprise M3, to secure the connections they need via the private, public and not-for-profit sectors to start, grow and develop their business.
- Enterprise M3 Local Sustainable Transport - This package covers capital transport improvements with a strong focus on improving the quality of sustainable forms of transport e.g. railway station access.
- Suitable Alternative Natural Green Space Pilot, Camberley - Pilot project to purchase Suitable Alternative Natural Green Space (SANGS) land to unlock 1300 new homes in Surrey Heath.
- Camberley Town Centre Regeneration Project - Part of the wider regeneration of Camberley town centre, this project will see the redevelopment of redundant commercial space into new retail and residential space.
- Andover Technology and Skills Centre - A new Technology and Skills Centre at Andover College focused on sectors where local employers have an employment/skills need.
- Basingstoke North Corridor A340 - Partial dualling of the A340 that will reduce business based congestion and unlock housing development in the Basingstoke area.

- Brockenhurst College – Upgrading of existing Further Education estate with a new state of the art science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM) facility. The facility will provide support to local businesses and improve the efficiency of the college estate.
- Whitehill and Bordon Construction Skills Centre - A new Construction Skills Centre to upskill the local labour force and meet the demands of new housing developments in Whitehill and Bordon.
- Brooklands College, Ashford - New state of the art teaching accommodation to support the Enterprise M3 Skills and Employment strategy with a focus on apprenticeships.
- Victoria Arch, Woking - Addresses a serious pinch-point in the centre of Woking by constructing new pedestrian and cycling tunnels on Woking's main arterial route.
- As part of the Government's ongoing commitment to the Enterprise M3 LEP it has also provided an indicative award of a further £64.4m of funding over the years to 2020/21. This is on-top of £24.3m of funding which the Government has previously committed for large scale transport schemes in the Enterprise M3 area.

The previously announced large scale transport projects are:

- Basingstoke north eastern corridor to growth: A33 capacity improvements;
- Guildford Gyratory;
- Runnymede Roundabout;
- A30/A331 Corridor improvements; Surrey Heath, and
- Whitehill & Bordon, Inner Relief Road

The Government also has committed to the following pipeline of provisional projects starting from 2016/17 which include:

- Guildford Sustainable Transport;
- Woking Station Improvements;
- Access to Guildford;
- Basingstoke South West Corridor to Growth; and
- Junction capacity improvements in Farnborough

The Prime Minister said: "Growth Deals are a crucial part of our long-term plan to secure Britain's future.

"For too long our economy has been too London-focused and too centralised. Growth Deals will help change all that. They are about firing up our great towns and cities, boosting local economies and driving growth across the country.

"This historic deal means real change for Surrey and Hampshire with big investments, including an exciting project to secure world leading 5G capability to the area; boosting skills for young people by improving facilities at further education colleges and delivering more apprenticeships. Today's deal will help new or expanding enterprises with a Business Growth Hub, and investments in local transport will not only improve journeys and connectivity, but will also open up sites for redevelopment and new homes.

"By trusting local people, backing business and investing in infrastructure, skills and housing, we can create thousands of new jobs. And that means more economic security, peace of mind and a brighter future for hardworking people across the South."

The Deputy Prime Minister said: "The Enterprise M3 Growth Deal will help to create thousands of new jobs, provide incredible new training opportunities for young people, build thousands of new homes and improve transport links across the country for people and their families; building a stronger economy and a fairer society.

"We're placing the power and money in the hands of people in Hampshire and Surrey who know how to spend it best, making a real difference to local communities."

Our success in securing this funding has benefitted significantly from the fantastic level of collaboration between stakeholders and partners from the private, public and not-for-profit sectors. For this support we are extremely grateful and we look forward to working with our partners as we embark on the next exciting phase to swiftly and efficiently deliver these projects, stimulating the local economy for the benefit of business and local communities.

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Notes to editors

*The Growth Deal is subject to a satisfactory conclusion of the funding agreement

Local flexibility over Growth Deal programme: Enterprise M3 has demonstrated strong partnership arrangements which deliver collective decisions, has articulated a clear and deliverable vision for growth in the area and has established strong financial monitoring procedures and cross local authority collaboration. As a result Enterprise M3 will be expected to deliver the projects highlighted in the Deal wherever appropriate, but will have flexibility to manage how these projects are delivered to bring the greatest economic benefits to the area. Government will disburse funds to the LEP annually in advance; however the LEP will need to discuss any changes to projects with Government before doing so.

The Growth Deal does not amount to an endorsement of everything in the submitted SEP. All development decisions for specific proposals must go through the normal planning process and be guided by local plans taking into account all material considerations.

Enterprise M3 Local Enterprise Partnership

Enterprise M3 is a business-led Local Enterprise Partnership, one of 39 in England, which is working to secure economic growth at sub-national level. We bring together leaders from the business, public and not-for-profit sectors and provide the vision, knowledge and strategic leadership needed to drive sustainable private sector growth.

Our aim is to create the foundations on which our businesses can flourish. We strive to improve business productivity, increase jobs and maximise the number of businesses operating across Enterprise M3. For more information visit: www.enterprisem3.org.uk

The Enterprise M3 LEP area stretches from the hinterland of London to the New Forest covering mid to north Hampshire and South West Surrey. The LEP area brings together business leaders from 14 district authorities across two counties and has four major interconnected urban centres known as 'Growth' towns: Woking, Guildford, Farnborough and Basingstoke and five 'Step-up' towns: Staines upon Thames, Camberley, Aldershot, Whitehill and Bordon and Andover.

The councils involved in the Enterprise M3 LEP are:

- Hampshire County Council
- Surrey County Council
- Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council
- East Hampshire District Council
- Elmbridge Borough Council
- Guildford Borough Council
- Hart District Council
- New Forest District Council
- Runnymede Borough Council
- Rushmoor Borough Council
- Spelthorne Borough Council
- Surrey Heath Borough Council
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- Winchester City Council
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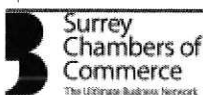
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Hampshire County Council welcomes Local Growth Deal Announcements

Tuesday, 08 July 2014

Hampshire County Council welcomed the news from the LEPs (Local Enterprise Partnerships) that their bids for funding from the Government's Local Growth Fund had been successful in securing significant investment for the Hampshire area.

Hampshire is served by two LEP areas, the Enterprise M3 area which stretches from the outskirts of London to the New Forest covering North Hampshire and Western Surrey - and the Solent LEP which covers the south of the county, from the waterside part of New Forest, through southern Test Valley and Winchester Districts, across to Havant, including Southampton, Portsmouth and the Isle of Wight.

All LEPs were invited to bid for the Government's Local Growth Fund to support economic growth in the area and submitted potential schemes that would unlock sites for housing and employment, enhance transport connectivity, and support business growth while growing the local skills base.

The Enterprise M3 has been awarded £118million and the Solent LEP has been awarded £124.8million for infrastructure, support for businesses, and skills and education projects. The total Local Growth Fund allocation to be spent on schemes in Hampshire is over £130million.

Hampshire County Council will be a key partner in delivering the transport infrastructure projects prioritised by the LEPs. These include improvements to the key transport routes around Basingstoke, access to Fareham and Gosport - including Junction 10 of the M27, the Stubbington Bypass, Peel Common Roundabout, works to support the proposed developments at Welborne and North Whiteley, and the Whitehill & Bordon Relief Road.

Councillor Keith Mans, a Board Member on both the Hampshire LEPs, and Deputy Leader of Hampshire County Council, said: "This is excellent news for Hampshire. The Enterprise M3 LEP and the Solent LEP have secured very strong Growth Funding awards to provide a robust platform on which to ensure the local economy prospers and the area continues to significantly contribute to the national economy.

I'd like to congratulate the LEPs for negotiating this significant investment in the area which will benefit the economy generally and I particularly welcome the investment in skills, training and the emphasis on the hi-tech industry. It will also unlock further funding from both the public and private sectors."

Councillor Seán Woodward, Executive Member for Economy, Transport and Environment at Hampshire County Council said: "This investment will not only improve the infrastructure for existing residents but will make the area much more attractive for businesses. Good transport links are vital if Hampshire is to prosper in terms of jobs, skills and homes. Improved access around Fareham and the Gosport peninsula, for example, unlocks the potential of the Enterprise Zone, creating 3000 new jobs by 2021, while the package of road improvements around Basingstoke will help support the ambitious local economic growth plans for the town."

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There are a number of highway projects that are planned to be undertaken, or are currently being undertaken on the local highway network which could impact on your journey.

This page provides details of such schemes and links to additional information.

M3 Junction 6 Black Dam Junction Improvements (commenced – September 2015)

Please be advised that the Highways Agency will be undertaking junction improvement work at the Black Dam Roundabout to reduce congestion and improve road safety. Main construction is planned to take place from October 2014 to June 2015 and will involve the:

- construction of a four-lane northbound 'through' carriageway through the Black Dam roundabout
- realignment and widening of all approaches to the roundabout
- installation of safety barriers accommodate the carriageway widening
- installation of new traffic signs and signals
- installation of new street lighting.

Works will commence in October, and more detail on the scheme, including traffic management measures are available by clicking [here](#).

The project is being funded by the Highways Agency (using Pinch Point Funding from the Department for Transport) and local contributions from Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council and Hampshire County Council.

Updates on the project will be published online at <http://www.highways.gov.uk/roads/road-projects/M3-Junction-6-Black-Dam-Roundabout-Improvements>. Please subscribe to the scheme to receive email alerts when the information is updated.

Should you require any further information regarding this scheme, please contact the Highways Agency Information Line on 0300 123 5000 or email them at ha_info@highways.gsi.gov.uk

Local Enterprise Partnership Funding

The Enterprise M3 Local Enterprise Partnership announced has recently announced significant investment in the Borough's transport infrastructure as a result of bids to secure funding from the Government's Local Growth Fund. The schemes will support policies in the emerging Local Plan and the Infrastructure Delivery Plan, and will assist in reducing congestion and provide additional capacity to accommodate future jobs and housing growth.

A summary of the proposed schemes is provided below, although it should be noted that the detail of these will evolve as the schemes are worked up by Hampshire County Council.

1. A340/Aldermaston Road, for implementation 2015/16

- Junction capacity improvements at A340 Aldermaston Road/ Priestley Road junction.
- Improvements to the A340 Aldermaston Road/ The Avenue junction to signalise the junction.
- Provision of a shared pedestrian and cycleway along western side of the A340 between the two junctions and along part of the northern side of Priestley Road.

Further details on the scheme are available on [Hampshire County Council's website](#)

2. A33/A339 Ringway roundabout, for implementation 2015/16

- Additional flare approach lane on the A33 approach to the roundabout (from the Reading direction).
- Widening of the roundabout circulatory carriageway adjacent to the Faraday Road and Oakridge Road arms.
- Conversion of the existing bus lane on the eastern over-bridge over the Ringway into a general traffic lane.
- Revised traffic signal timings to optimise traffic flows.

Further details on the scheme are available on [Hampshire County Council's website](#)

3. A33/Popley Way junction, for implementation 2015/16

- An additional flare approach lane on the Popley Way approach to the Junction to improve queuing capacity.

Further details on the scheme are available on [Hampshire County Council's website](#)

4. A30 Winchester Road roundabout, for implementation 2016/17 – 2017/18

- Part signalisation of Winchester Road Roundabout.
- Widening of roundabout circulatory carriageway.
- Shortening of existing bus right turn lane on westbound A30 after the roundabout.

5. A3010 Thornycroft roundabout, for implementation 2016/17 – 2017/18

- Full signalisation of all roundabout approaches.
- Widening of the roundabout circulatory carriageway.
- Provision of a toucan crossing to the east of the roundabout on A3010 / Churchill Way West close to Wickes Store.

6. A33/Binfields roundabout, for implementation 2017/18

- Part-signalisation of the roundabout – on three of the five arms (both A33 approaches and the Great Binfields Road approach).
- The roundabout circulatory carriageway will be widened to three lanes on all but the A33 western arm which will remain as two lanes.

7. A33/Gaiger Avenue roundabout, for implementation 2017/18

- Provide a merge after the junction to allow two lanes of vehicles to proceed ahead on the A33 in both directions.
- Pedestrian crossing improvements in vicinity of bus stop on A33 arm from Reading.


8. A33/Thornhill Road, for implementation 2017/18

- Adjustment of signal timings at this existing signalised junction to maximise traffic flows.

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