Air Quality and Pollution Management In Cambridge

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Growth in Greater Cambridge

CAMBRIDGE NAMED UK'S FASTEST-GROWING CITY

League table ranking		GVA Q4 2017, £millions (Annualised, constant 2013 prices)	Growth (YoY)
1	Cambridge	9,300	2.0%
2	Derby	7,000	1.8%
3	Oxford	8,700	1.7%

Cambridge 'fastest-growing city economy for next decade'

	CITY	PATENT APPLICATIONS (PER 100,000 POPULATION) 2015	
1	Cambridge	341.06	
2	Coventry	118.36	
3	Oxford	79.86	

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Companies listed on the stock market

10.5

%

Growth in turnover for tech sector

10.4

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Growth in turnover for life sciences

£40bn

Economic output Ambition by 2043

Cambridge takes fastest-growing city crown... again





Growing pains



Population of Greater Cambridge expected to grow 28% by 2031.



Average house price in Cambridge at an all-time high.



More people means more cars – 25,000 more trips on the network.



Housing & transport issues make it difficult for business to attract & retain workers.

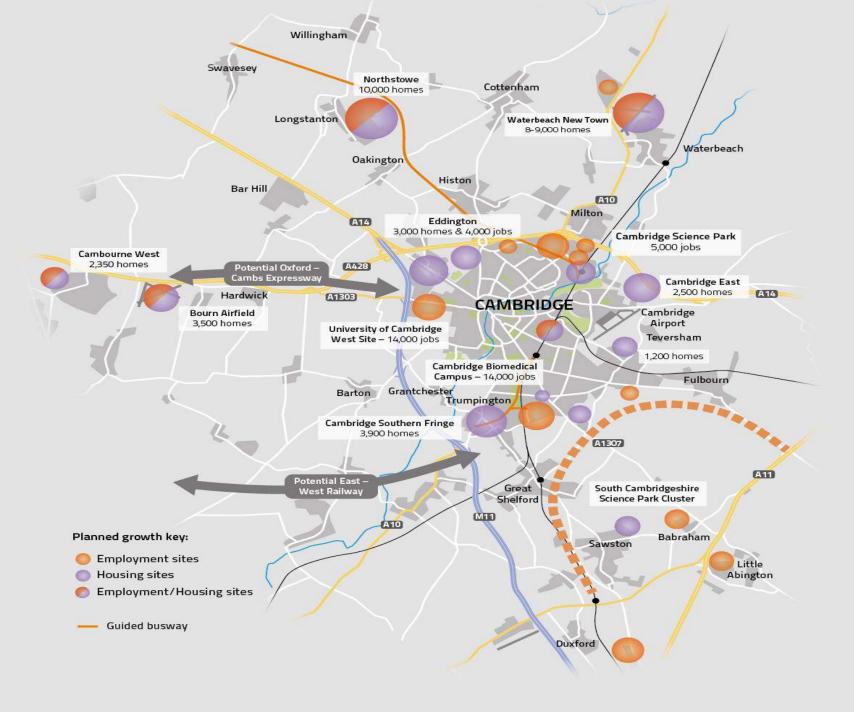


More traffic & congestion means increased levels of pollution.



33,500 new homes and 44,000 additional jobs by 2030.





What are we trying to achieve?

Air Quality

Clean air for residents and visitors

Transport

Get 1:4 drivers into the city out of their cars

Transport

Decarbonise the transport system

Climate Change

Zero Carbon by 2050

Residents

Improving the quality of life for residents

Skills

Helping young people secure the skills they need to succeed in the Greater Cambridge 21st century economy

Energy

Triple the capacity of the energy network to support growth

Housing South Cambs

Target of 19,000 new homes between 2011 and 2031

Housing Cambridge

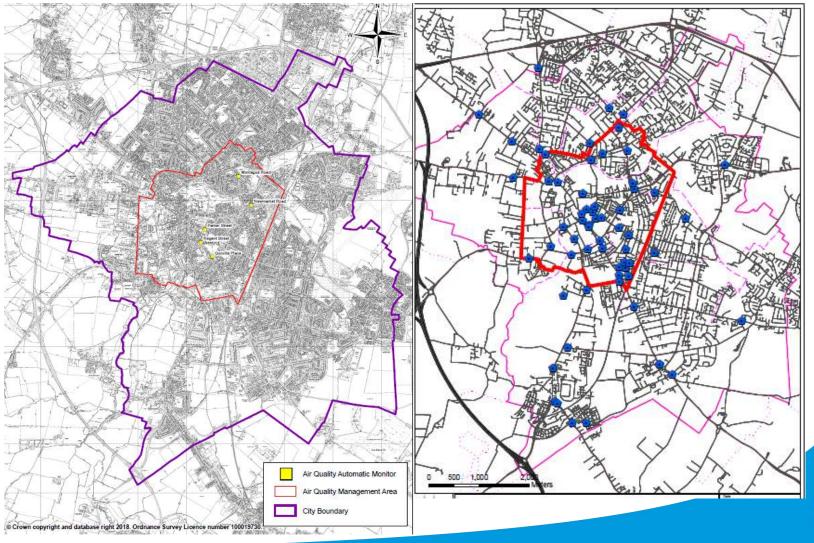
Target of 14,000 new homes between 2011 and 2031



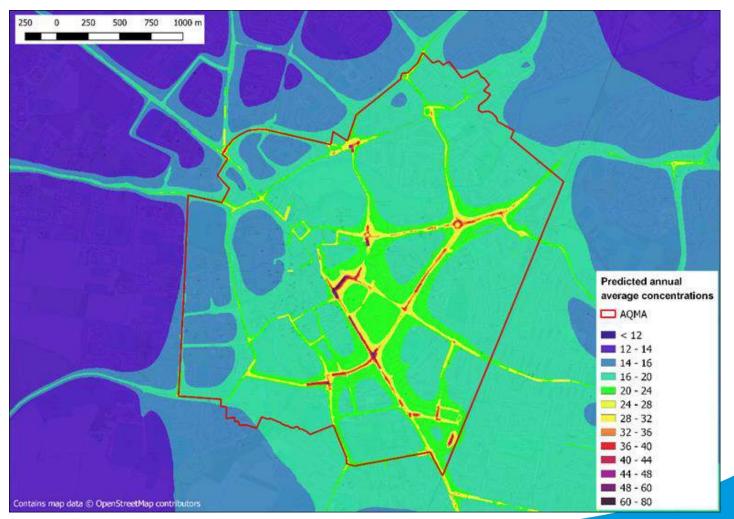
Air Quality in Cambridge

- Current Monitoring
 - 5 Continuous Monitors measuring Nitrogen Dioxide and Particulate Matter both PM10 and PM2.5
 - 6th Continuous monitor at Station Road which is managed externally
 - 70 "passive" nitrogen dioxide tubes located at various locations across the City

Location of Monitors



Current Pollution Levels





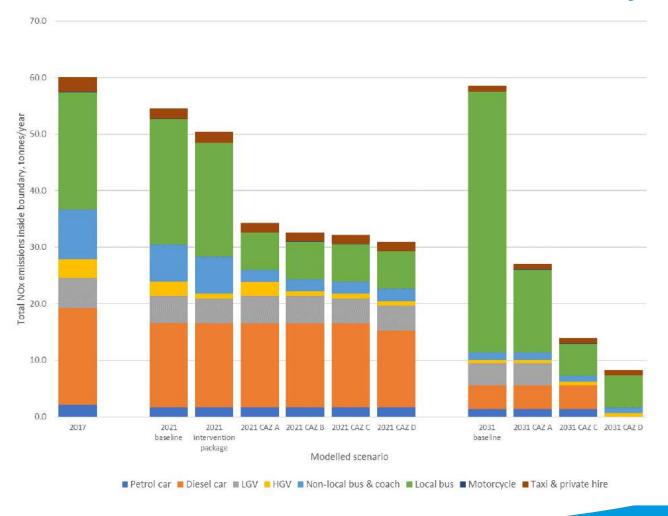
Recent Projects

- Clean Air Zone Feasibility Study
- Baseline Model for Greater Cambridge Area
- Mill Road Monitoring

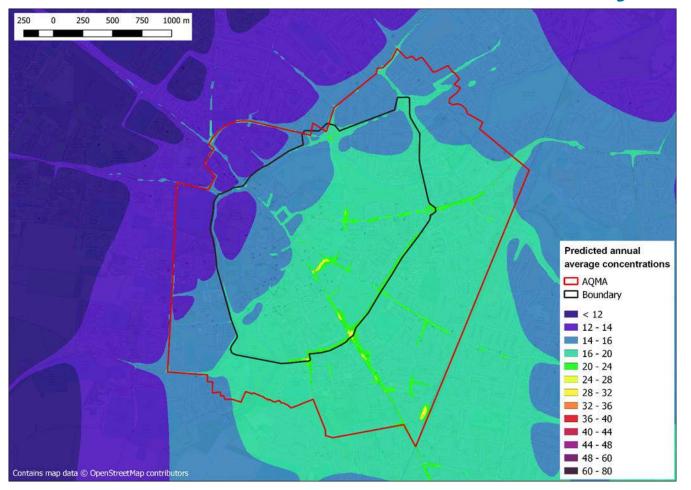


- Why undertake Feasibility Study?
 - Cambridge and Greater Cambridge area growing more traffic on the roads resulting in congestion and poorer air quality.
 - Need shift to sustainable transport and an increase in the amount of public transport to provide for the growth and shift.
- Key Findings
 - 106 deaths attributable to poor air quality in Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire.
 - Study found that without intervention air quality would worsen in the next 10 years.
- Interventions modelled included standard CAZ and also non standard CAZ.
- Work undertaken by Cambridge City Council for the GCP.











- Modelling used ANPR data to identify the current fleet make-up in the Cambridge area as well as traffic count points, bus data and taxi data to generate an emissions inventory.
- Modelling used traffic count point data and CSRM data to create Traffic flows.
- Various assumptions were made and data gaps were plugged using national data.
- Baseline concentrations before the addition of traffic data were taken from the national database.
- Building height data used for Cambridge to show how the pollutants dispersed in and around buildings, provided by Ordnance Survey.
- Report and Appendices available at https://www.greatercambridge.org.uk/choices-for-better-journeys/
- Next Steps Awaiting outcome of choices for better journeys engagement.



Baseline Model for Greater Cambridge Area

- Air Quality Model to cover Greater Cambridge Area.
- Will be used to assess effects of proposed transport interventions including cumulative effects.
- Being constructed in similar manner to the model used in the CAZ Feasibility Study but a wider area and a different model.

Mill Road Monitoring

- Planned closure of Mill Road bridge to motorised vehicles in Summer 2019 for bridge works.
 - Provision to be made for pedestrians and cyclists
- Opportunity to assess the effect of the closure of a main road into Cambridge on both traffic flows and air quality.
- Traffic monitoring will capture pedestrians and cyclists as well as motorised vehicles.
- Air quality monitoring currently using diffusion tubes to give baseline data.
- Hoping to secure grant funding for trialling low cost air quality sensors as well to give a better diurnal profile and understanding of the potential exposure of people, living, working and visiting the area.

Mill Road Monitoring

Questions to be answered:

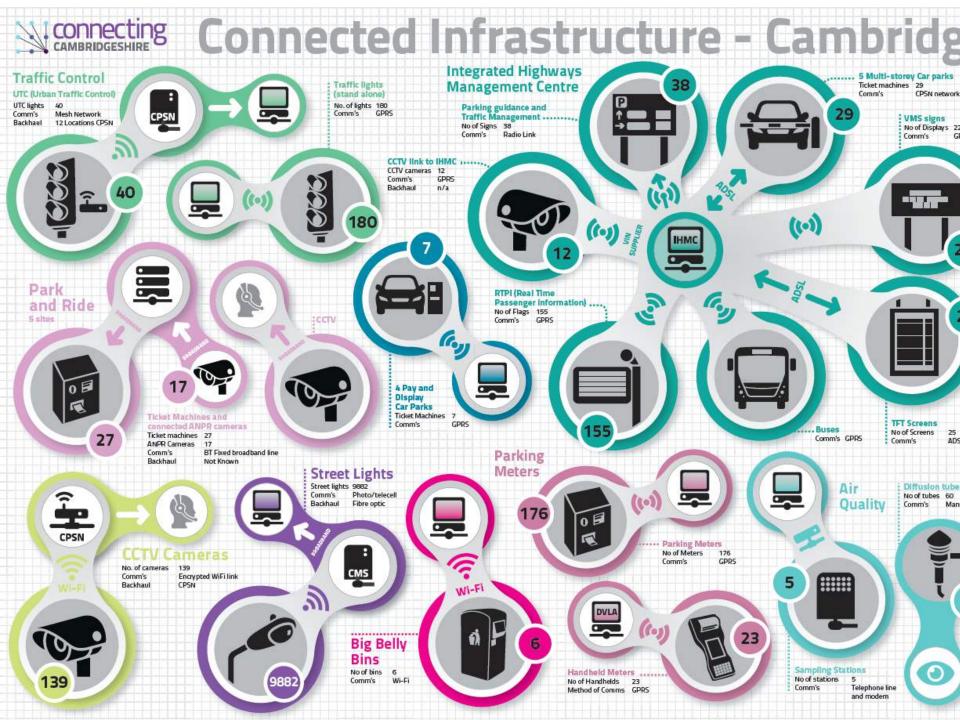
- Will traffic use official diversions?
- Will traffic levels on other roads increase? diversion route and other roads?
- Will air quality improve in the Mill Road area?
- Will air quality worsen in other areas?
- Will there be a modal shift to other forms of transport?
- What will be the public perception of the impact of the closure?
- What points can we take from this project when considering other transport interventions?
- If used Will the low cost air quality sensors perform well? Will they be useful in other areas? Will they help to provide a better understanding of pollution exposure?

What is the purpose of the Smart Cambridge Programme?

"To investigate, trial and develop emerging technologies and data solutions that can be adopted to assist in the successful mitigation of sustainability challenges across the region, encouraging further economic growth"



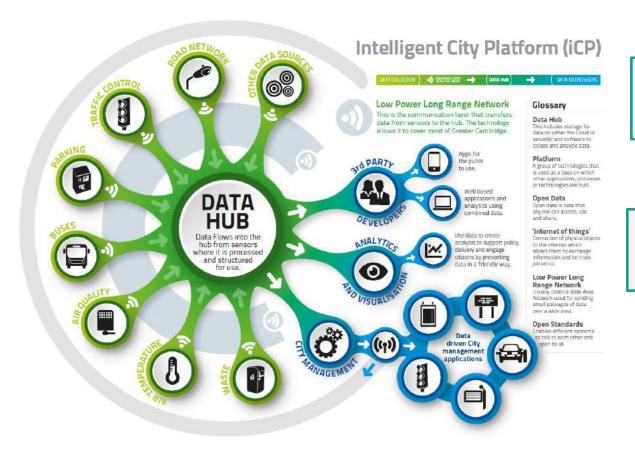






Static and Real-Time data

City wide sensor network deployed on LoRa and Sigfox

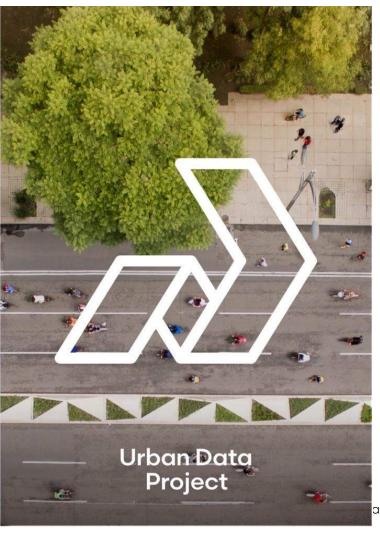


Analyse data and identify trends

Provides basis for development of data driven applications







The Urban Data Project is a combination of new technology and transparent policies for cities. Collecting, protecting and applying data to improve city living.

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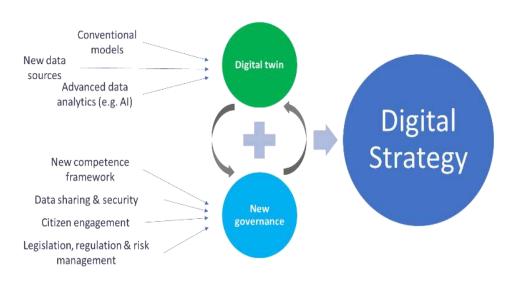


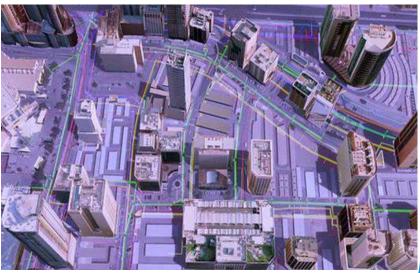


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Questions?

