Greater Brighton

Greater Brighton Economic Board

Annual Report 2018/19

July 2019

The Greater Brighton City Region covers the local authority areas of Adur, Brighton & Hove, Crawley, Lewes, Mid Sussex and Worthing.

Key assets include a growing international airport, a major road and rail transport corridor to London, two universities, and unique natural capital including the coast, South Downs National Park and the UNESCO Biosphere.

The overarching aim of the Board is to protect and grow the economy, by co-ordinating economic development activities and investment at City Region level. By joining together places and working collaboratively to build on the area's economic assets and unblock its barriers, the City Region will be able to fulfil its economic potential to become one of the United Kingdom's top performing urban economies.

Since being formed, the Board has helped to secure more than £200 million of investment into the City Region. This money is delivering real benefit across the Greater Brighton region, ranging from the construction of new flood defences in Shoreham and Newhaven, to building world-class educational facilities at the University of Brighton and GBMet College. The funding has helped create, or set in chain plans for, 24,000 jobs, build 18,000 homes and unlocked £2 billion in private sector investment.

Greater Brighton Economic Board Members

6 Local Authorities

- Adur District Council
- Crawley Borough Council
- Mid Sussex District Council
- Brighton & Hove City Council
- Lewes District Council
- Worthing Borough Council

3 Business Partnerships

- Adur & Worthing Business Partnership
- Brighton & Hove Economic Partnership
- Coastal West Sussex Partnership

2 Universities

- University of Brighton
- University of Sussex

Further Education College

- Greater Brighton Metropolitan College (GBMet)

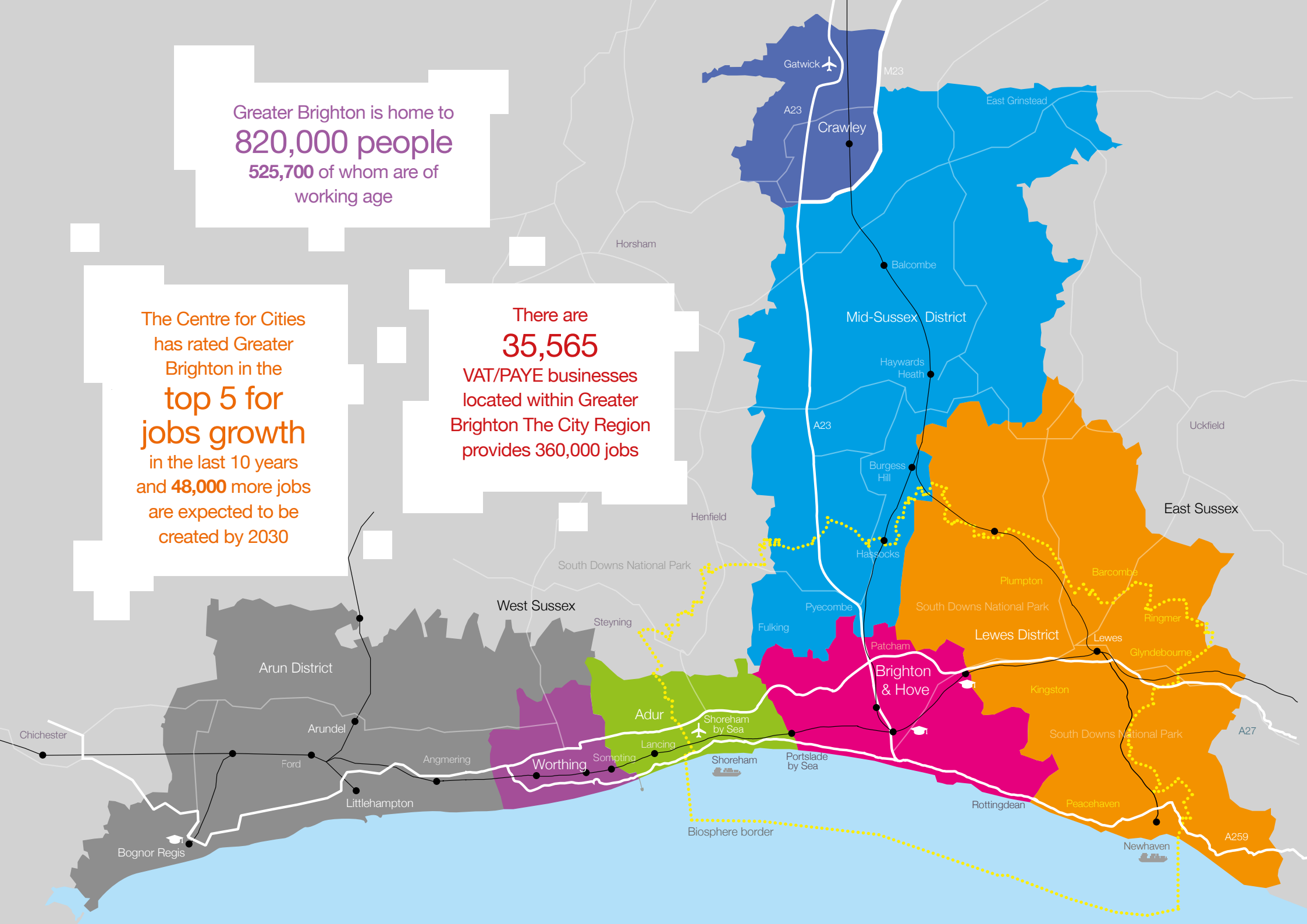
Local Enterprise Partnership

- Coast to Capital Local Enterprise Partnership

National Park Authority

- South Downs National Park Authority

Gatwick Airport Ltd


Greater Brighton is home to
820,000 people
525,700 of whom are of working age
The Centre for Cities has rated Greater Brighton in the top 5 for jobs growth in the last 10 years and 48,000 more jobs are expected to be created by 2030
There are 35,565 VAT/PAYE businesses located within Greater Brighton The City Region provides 360,000 jobs
Gatwick
M23
A23
Crawley
East Grinstead
Horsham
Balcombe
Mid-Sussex District
Haywards Heath
A23
Uckfield
Burgess Hill
East Sussex
Henfield
Hassocks
South Downs National Park
Plumpton
Barcombe
West Sussex
Steyning
Pyecombe
South Downs National Park
Ringmer
Fulking
Lewes District
Lewes
Patcham
Glyndebourne
Arun District
Brighton & Hove
Kingston
Adur
Shoreham by Sea
Chichester
Arundel
Lancing
South Downs National Park
A27
Ford
Angmering
Worthing
Sompting
Shoreham
Portslade by Sea
Littlehampton
Rottingdean
Peacehaven
Biosphere border
A259
Bognor Regis
Newhaven

Our aspirations

International

An international brand, identity and recognition

Maximising the potential of our international gateways

Utilising the connections of our universities to gain access to international skills and expertise

Creative

Acknowledged innovation in specific sectors

Maximising the opportunities through knowledge sharing and commercialisation

Investing in infrastructure of our creative and cultural economies

Connected

An efficient travel network with effective regional, national and international connections

Ubiquitous fibre-to-the-premises digital infrastructure

The most 5G-enabled City Region in the UK

Talented

Attract talented individuals to live, learn, work and invest in the City Region

A modern and integrated approach to skills provision

Effective upskilling and reskilling in workforce development

Resilient

Economic resilience – enabling an economy that is dynamic and learns to adapt to external forces

Environmental resilience – of infrastructure and food production, exploring circular economy benefits

Social resilience – of Greater Brighton communities and the wellbeing of residents

Our successes so far

Building **18,000** homes

Delivering 750,000m2 employment floor space

Unlocking £2bn in private sector investment

Building Flood defences

Modernising our town centres

Improving our road network

£48m awarded from Housing Infrastructure Fund

Creating 24,000 jobs

Over **30** active projects

£160m secured in Local Growth Funding (LGF)

Greater Brighton Highlights 2018/19 – Great progress and more to come

Raising the Bar

The Board has raised its ambition and aspiration in developing a **vision** and set of **priorities** on the kind of city region that Greater Brighton is striving to be; **international, creative, connected, talented** and **resilient**. Those five themes each have two key priorities attached and these have been identified as the key areas of focus for the Board over the next five years.

Protecting Shoreham

The **£45m** Adur Tidal Walls scheme officially opened in March. More than **seven kilometres** of new or improved river and sea defences have been constructed, which will better protect **over 2,300 homes** and **169 commercial properties**, as well as important local infrastructure.

Full Steam Ahead at the Northern Arc

In July 2018, **Homes England** announced that it had acquired **the 176 hectare Northern Arc site**, in Burgess Hill. As land owner for the whole site, Homes England will **accelerate the delivery of the 3,500 planned homes**. The investment will also ensure that key infrastructure, and facilities including two new schools, will be delivered alongside the new homes.

Getting Ready for 5G

In September, the **UK's latest 5G testbed was unveiled** at the **Digital Catapult Centre in Brighton**. The facility lets companies experiment with new applications and services which take advantage of the unique nature of 5G. This is a **major step forward** in helping take the technology out of university labs and into the market, and **Greater Brighton businesses** are going to be at the forefront of this.

Safeguarding Newhaven

The **£15.5m** scheme will reduce the risk of flooding to **431 homes** and **390 businesses** in and around Newhaven. The scheme will also protect the road network and railway infrastructure, and will **support the wider regeneration** of Newhaven.

Building Resilient Utilities

Work is progressing on **developing Energy** and **Water plans** that will **futureproof the City Region** by ensuring that Greater Brighton can sustain future economic and population growth. **Digital infrastructure** and **security** are also being reviewed, as part of the City Region's **comprehensive approach to building resilience.**

Extending our Reach

Part of the Board's increased ambition is to **raise the profile of Greater Brighton**. To that end an article was published in the respected **Municipal Journal**, which highlighted the need f**or Government to not overlook areas south of London** when it comes to making important **investment decisions**.

Increasing our aspiration

For Greater Brighton to reach its full potential there is a need for the Board to take a step forward in aspiration and the level of associated activity.

A set of Greater Brighton Strategic Priorities have been developed to build a modern, growing economy that is international, creative, connected, talented and resilient. Those five themes each have two key priorities attached and these have been identified as the key areas of focus for the Board over the next five years.

International

- Build an international profile with strong and relevant supporting messaging
- Establishment of an inward investment proposition

Creative

- Support innovative businesses to scale and grow
- Sharing and commercialising knowledge

Connected

- Roll out of fibre infrastructure and become the most 5G-enabled City Region
- An efficient travel network with effective regional, national and international connections

Talented

- Attracting and retaining talent in the City Region
- Develop an integrated approach to talent

Resilient

- Build economic resilience
- Build environmental and social resilience

These priorities will be crucial in making the case to Government for investment and for making coordinated and coherent cases for investors to come here. The priorities are aligned with Gatwick 360˚, the LEP's Strategic Economic Plan.

The Board is clear that it wants to look back in five years and to have made a positive difference to the lives of Greater Brighton residents and prosperity of its businesses, so a set of projects have been developed to deliver on these priorities.

Building a resilient city region

On 22 March 2019 the new £45 million Adur Tidal Walls scheme was officially opened by Sir James Bevan, Chief Executive of the Environment Agency.

More than seven kilometres of improved and new river and sea defences have been constructed which will help keep the community of Shoreham safe from flooding from storms and rising sea levels.

The new flood defences will better protect over 2,300 homes and 169 commercial properties, as well as important local infrastructure such as the road network, railway line and Shoreham Airport.

The new defences are formed of embankments, sheet pile walls, rock revetments, flood glass, and property level protection, and are designed to last for 100 years, with the option of being raised further to add even greater protection into the future. The project has also created approximately 1.4 hectares of compensatory saltmarsh habitat for the benefit of local wildlife, and the Environment Agency has also improved public footpaths along the route of the defences.

The Adur Tidal Walls scheme will have an immeasurable impact on the residents and businesses in Shoreham and Lancing. It will protect communities from future flooding but it also gives investors certainty, which will unlock the area for housing developments and employment space, thereby supporting the local economy and opportunities for local people, while opening up the riverside to local residents.

In addition to the crucial flood defences in Shoreham, we are also building resilience and security in Newhaven.

Following flooding in 2013, The Environment Agency, in partnership with Lewes District Council, developed a scheme to reduce flood risk. The scheme covers both banks of Newhaven, including the commercial areas near the Port.

The £15.5m scheme will reduce the risk of flooding to 431 homes and 390 businesses in and around Newhaven. Some areas of Newhaven currently have a 1-in-10 chance of flooding in any given year. The scheme has been designed to provide at least a 1-in-100-year standard of protection taking into account the effects of climate change. This will mean that in any one year, there will be a less than 1% chance that Newhaven will experience flooding from the sea or River Ouse.

The scheme will also protect local infrastructure such as the road network, railway tracks and train station which were closed for a time during the 2013 floods. It will also support wider regeneration of Newhaven, helping to bring new investment, jobs and homes to the area.

Construction of the flood defences started in early 2016 and is scheduled to be complete later this year.

Building homes and jobs for the future: a focus on Burgess Hill

Burgess Hill is a key strategic growth area for the City Region. Mid Sussex District Council has an ambitious plan for the town, which includes;

- 5,000 new homes
- Town centre regeneration
- Improved rail station with new homes
- Dualling of the A2300 (main road into the town from the A23)
- The HUB employment area, 25 hectares
- A Science and Technology Park with 100,000m^2 of employment space

The total programme will see around £1bn of investment into the town. Greater Brighton secured £14.9 million from the Local Growth Fund which will support road enhancements, public transport improvements, walking and cycling initiatives and access to the proposed Science Park.

Work has started in delivering 1,500 homes at various locations across Burgess Hill. In July 2018 Homes England announced that it had acquired the 176 hectare Northern Arc site, the agency's most significant intervention to date. As land owner for the whole site, Homes England submitted an outline planning application in late 2018 which brought forward early release of the first phases of new homes. The investment will also ensure that key infrastructure and other facilities including two new schools, will be delivered alongside the 3,500 planned homes.

Such an intervention from Government represents a clear vote of confidence in the City Region. It is an endorsement of the City Region's advocacy of sensible, sustainable growth, which provides homes for future generations and supports our growing businesses, whilst recognising the needs of local people and protecting our wonderful landscape.

In September 2018 work started at The Hub, a 25 hectare site that will offer much needed industrial, warehouse and office space to aid the economic growth of Burgess Hill. The Hub will provide up to 50,000m^2 of employment space, of which up to 14,000m^2 will be for distribution and warehousing. Much of the remainder is expected to be technology-led businesses offering sustainable high value jobs. DPD, the UK's leading parcel delivery firm, has taken up a 4,000m^2 distribution centre at the site, and this was completed in March 2019.

Newhaven Enterprise Zone – the place to do business

The summer of 2018 was a significant period for the Newhaven Enterprise Zone (NEZ). At the end June, Rampion's Operations and Maintenance base was officially opened, and a few weeks later a new Strategic Framework for the NEZ was unveiled.

Covering eight sites in the town, the NEZ acts as a catalyst to deliver new commercial development, new jobs and local growth opportunities that will contribute to the wider development of the local area.

Rampion's impressive and imposing Operations and Maintenance base provides a flagship landmark in the NEZ. This facility houses the wind farm's control room and offices, and will be home to the 60-strong operations and maintenance team tasked with the efficient running of the wind farm.

Through its construction, the base has already acted as a catalyst for the regeneration of the port and helped to stimulate the local economy. Other businesses have started to flock to the area. In the last year businesses locating to or expanding within Newhaven include Edwards Modular Controls, Fundraising Auctions Quintessence and ValetPRO.

In July 2018 more than 60 local business owners, key local figures and partners of the NEZ joined together to learn about wider plans for Newhaven, a year since it gained Enterprise Zone status.

Investment in the NEZ to date is approaching £30 million in public sector funding and private sector match combined; providing critical flood defences, improving site viability and unlocking land for development. The Strategic Framework looks ahead to 2030, and the vision is that the NEZ will have helped deliver a new era for Newhaven.

The Strategic Framework focusses on three priorities, and details can be found at http://bit.ly/NEZ_SF

Rampion windfarm in numbers:

- 116 turbines
- 72 square km site – about the size of Guernsey!
- 13-20 km off of the Sussex Coast
- Will generate almost 1,400 Gigawatt hours of power each year…
- … which is enough to power 350,000 homes
- Created 60 permanent jobs
- The building itself features 48 solar panels and 16 electric vehicle charging points

Connectivity for the future

In September, Digital Catapult Brighton unveiled the UK's latest 5G testbed. The 5G testbed will allow small businesses to benefit from state of the art 5G mobile wireless communications, and provide space to test and explore the potential new applications of 5G. It will also help the City Region to support delivery of a key aim within Government's Industrial Strategy, which is for the UK to become a world-leader in 5G technology. The facility lets companies experiment with new applications and services which take advantage of the unique nature of 5G. This is a major step forward in the wider roll out of this advanced technology, helping take the technology out of university labs and into the market.

The infrastructure was funded by a £1.2 million grant secured by Coast to Capital Local Enterprise Partnership through the Local Growth Fund.

5G offers a significant opportunity for the UK in bringing together the worlds of mobile and internet, helping to increase speed and improve bandwidth. It also presents huge opportunities for businesses and consumers, such as support for autonomous cars, better support for the application of Internet of Things in healthcare, logistics, manufacturing, and support for more interactive and new models of content creation and consumption of media.

At the launch event, an immersive technology showcase presented the best of local virtual reality, augmented reality and mixed reality technologies, demonstrating the breadth and depth of technological innovation and development in Greater Brighton.

Our near misses – the need for dispelling the myths

Over the last year partners from across the City Region have submitted a number of funding bids to secure much needed investment in the City Region.

In June a bid was submitted for a slice of an £840 million Department for Transport (DfT) fund to spend on tackling the area's transport congestion problem. The Transforming Cities Fund bid criteria required a focus on improving 'urban corridors' for commuting and businesses and therefore Greater Brighton decided to focus on the A259 coast road that links Newhaven to Worthing.

In its submission the point was made that although there are already large movements of employees within the coastal area, congestion is holding businesses back. Reference was made to DfT figures which show the average delay on the A roads is more than double the rest of south east England. Furthermore, during peak times, in the 60-minute drive-time band, used as a standard measure, commuters from Brighton city centre can only expect to reach as far as Worthing, a mere 12 miles away. These delays significantly reduce the area's attractiveness to businesses and future investors; impacts on productivity; reduces the retention of staff, and limits growth.

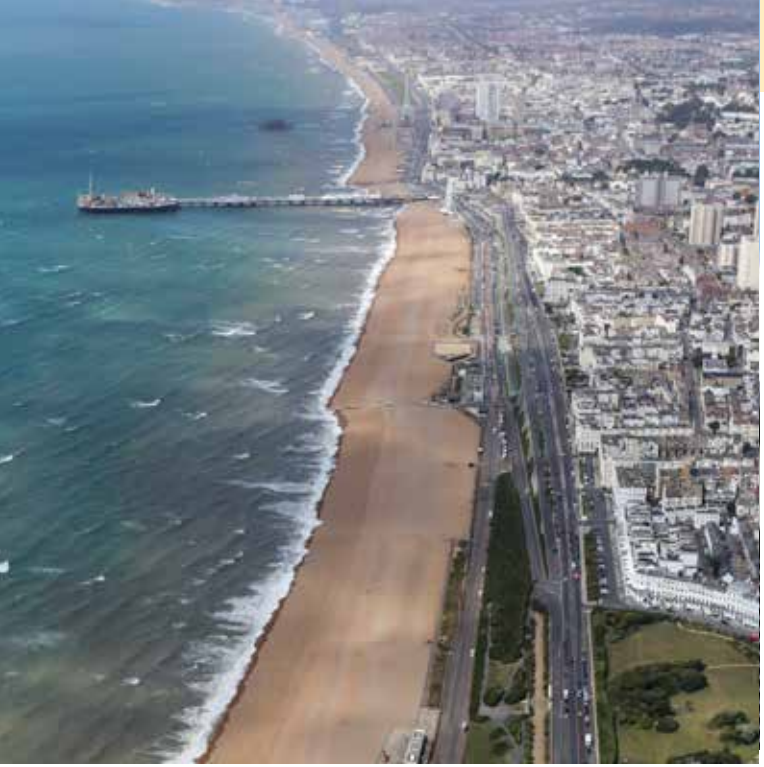
The DfT announced at the end of September which non-mayoral cities would progress to the next step of the bid process, and unfortunately the Greater Brighton's submission was not one of the ten shortlisted.

Initial feedback from the DfT confirmed that competition was high (approximately 30 applications for 10 places), and that the evidence provided in support of our bid was not as compelling as some of the other bids. However, it was a great achievement that Greater Brighton partners, in collaboration with colleagues from East and West Sussex County Councils, and other agencies, produced such a credible bid in the timeframes and the proposals put forward were considered to be potentially appropriate for similar, future funding opportunities when these become available.

The bid showed the strength of Greater Brighton in that working together, and with other stakeholders, we can make a more powerful regional case.

In April 2018, Channel 4 launched its '4 All the UK' strategy and outlined plans to open two new creative hubs, including a national HQ, bringing 300 jobs to the regions.

Brighton & Hove City Council, working with the local television sector, Brighton and Sussex universities and Greater Brighton Metropolitan College – all of whom are members of the Greater Brighton Economic Board, submitted a bid to become home to one of Channel 4's two new creative hubs. The bid outlined the city's distinctive offering as a major digital and creative centre. The city is home to hundreds of artists and creative producers and hosts more than sixty festivals a year, including two of the



most significant arts festivals in the country. The bid highlighted the city's established success in media, digital innovation and the arts, its unique character as a location known for its quality of life and independent spirit, and its excellent transport links nationally and internationally, including its close proximity to Gatwick Airport. The bid also demonstrated how the benefits of Channel 4 investing and locating in Brighton would cascade across the wider Greater Brighton Region.

In an announcement at the end of May, Channel 4 confirmed Brighton was one of six cities shortlisted, and a delegation from Channel 4 was received for a visit in Brighton.

Unfortunately Brighton was not chosen as one of the two venues for the location of a Creative Hub. Feedback indicated that Brighton was considered too close to London and the London employment market, and therefore a new hub in Brighton would fail to have an impact in providing new opportunities for a local workforce.

In response to these near misses, the Chair of the Board produced an article published in the respected Municipal Journal. 'Forget about the myth of the Sunny South' was the clear message which called for decision makers to ditch the perception that everything is rosy on the coast. Publication of the article came amid concerns that Government investment is channelled North directing funding into areas such as the Northern Powerhouse and the Midlands Engine with directly elected Mayors stealing a march on the region.

The article made clear that the City Region, which contains nearly one million people from the south coast to Gatwick, is a vibrant place to do business with an economy worth more than £21 billion a year, and a net contributor to the exchequer. With Government and big business shifting investment focus to the north, overlooking regions south of the capital risks choking off the contribution our economies make to the UK economy.

While understanding the reasons for the broadcaster's decision, the article expressed concern about the feedback that Brighton was too close to London and a new hub would fail to have an impact in providing new opportunities for a local workforce. This view is deeply concerning as it reveals an unfortunate unawareness of the needs of our young people, the skills gaps we clearly have, the pockets of deprivation that exist and the employment opportunities we need to create for people born and brought up here to be able to stay.

To be seen as the southern outpost of London is to do to the area a massive disservice. The role of the Board is to remind Government and business that we do have challenges and also have much to offer to help create wealth for the UK. Gatwick Airport and Crawley Borough Council joining the Board showed that the benefits of working together as a coherent regional force were being recognised and the Board would continue to make significant headway in drawing in funding to address key issues.

Driving progress through events

In early March the inaugural ‘Prosperity through Innovation’ event was organised by the Coastal West Sussex Partnership, in collaboration with Willmott Dixon and the Greater Brighton Economic Board, at Ricardo’s impressive building in Shoreham.

The main purpose of the innovative conference was to look at ways to drive growth across the City Region and the event has been hailed a great success.

Attended by more than 90 leaders from across the public and business sectors in Sussex, the conference was opened by Coastal West Sussex Partnership Chairman Henry Powell, who explained that the role of the partnership is to champion economic growth in the region.

A range of speakers gave overviews of the challenges faced by Sussex’s coastal region and the UK as a whole – from housing in terms of affordability and Brexit concerns, to digital connectivity and full fibre being crucial to the UK, to construction and the skills challenges within the industry – and offered an insight into the innovative approaches being taken to promote economic success.

Above Prosperity through Innovation event

Left Henry Powell speaking at the PIP event

Above Professor Greg Clark at the Futureproofing the City Region event

A second event, "Futureproofing the City Region: Civic Innovation and the Transformational Economy", was also held in March. The forum, organised by the Board and Brighton-based, the IMEX Group, brought together local businesses, politicians and representatives from the universities to discuss how to develop the identity of the Greater Brighton region.

Professor Greg Clark, a leading urbanist who has advised over 100 cities around the globe, was the keynote speaker. Prof. Clark supports and guides metropolitan strategies world-wide as Professor of City Leadership at University College London and a strategic advisor for the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development's (OECD) Local Economy Programme.

In his keynote presentation, Prof. Clark said that Greater Brighton is well placed to join other regions around the world as a thriving centre of innovation and growth.

The CEO and deputy chairman of Brighton & Hove Albion Football Club, Paul Barber, also presented at the event to demonstrate the impact that a Premier League football club can have on the local economy. He said the clear vision, persistence and resilience needed to build the Amex stadium would also be needed to grow the region. He said the football club was now the single biggest promotional tool for the City Region with its matches frequently broadcast to 200 cities around the world.

On the back of this event we are developing a "Pitch for Place" for the City Region. Prof. Clark's view was that the City Region has a diverse population with a willingness and appetite to embrace life. There is also a high level of civic activism which means the region is already in a good position to demonstrate how to meet sustainably some of the complex challenges ahead; increasing populations, climate change, technological advancement and global rebalancing. In a complex world, it is important to be able to tell a simple story about a destination.

Making better use of our assets

The National One Public Estate Programme ('the National Programme') is an initiative funded by the Cabinet Office Government Property Unit (GPU) and delivered in partnership with the Local Government Association (LGA). The Programme is designed to facilitate and enable local authorities to work successfully with Government and local agencies on public property and land issues through sharing and collaboration. It has four main objectives, to:

1. Create economic growth (new homes, employment floorspace and jobs);
2. Enable more integrated customer-focused services;
3. Generate capital receipts, and;
4. Reduce running costs.

One Public Estate is about getting more from the collective public sector estate – whether that's unlocking land and surplus sites for new housing and jobs, enabling more joined-up public services for local communities or creating further opportunities for local authorities and public sector partners to reduce running costs and generate income to deliver savings for the taxpayer.

The National Programme began in 2013, when it involved just 12 partnership areas. It has now expanded to include more than 319 councils (90%) in 76 partnership areas working on projects to transform places and public services right across England. Greater Brighton is one of these partnership areas, having joined the National Programme in November 2016.

To date, the Greater Brighton Partnership has secured £1,861,500 in funding from the National Programme as follows:

£1,042,500 in One Public Estate funding (Phases 4, 6 and 7).

Revenue funding has been awarded to support the development of 11 projects located across the city region:

- Worthing Integrated Care Centre, Worthing Civic Centre
- Preston Circus Fire Station, Brighton
- Preston Barracks Primary Care Centre, Brighton
- Moulsecoomb Neighbourhood Hub, Brighton
- Brighton General Hospital, Brighton
- Springman House, Lewes
- Conway Street Industrial Area, Hove
- Patcham Court Farm, Brighton
- North Street Quarter Health Hub, Lewes
- Eastern Road, Haywards Heath
- Burgess Hill Station Quarter, Burgess Hill

The funding covers a range of activities, including feasibility, viability, master planning, business case development and project management support, to provide the evidence base needed to make robust asset management decisions. It has also part-funded a dedicated programme management resource, responsible for the day-to-day management of the Local Programme, up to September 2021. As the Lead Authority for the Greater Brighton One Public Estate Partnership, Brighton & Hove City Council has provided the necessary match-funding for this post. It is currently expected that over the next 10 years these 11 One Public Estate projects will deliver approximately: 1,792 new homes; £58m in capital receipts; £7.2m in reduced running costs; £280m of inward investment; 5,042 new jobs (including construction), and; 29,000m2 employment floorspace. The projects are at relatively early stages of development and so it should be noted that the forecast outputs may change as business cases are completed and schemes are developed and approved.

£819,000 in Land Release Fund funding

to support 3 projects to deliver 79 new affordable rented homes with all land released by 31 March 2020:

Kensington Street, Brighton; Victoria Road, Portslade, and; Selsfield Drive, Brighton. This capital grant is funding activities such as site demolition, groundworks and infrastructure service improvements to enable scheme viability. The projects form part of Brighton & Hove City Council's (BHCC) New Homes for Neighbourhood's Programme, which aims to deliver at least 500 new council homes.

The 2018/19 Greater Brighton One Public Estate Annual Report will be presented to the Greater Brighton Economic Board in October 2019 and will include further information on the projects and their progress.

The Greater Brighton Investment Programme – Highlights from 2018/19

In 2018/19 we saw the completion or near completion of key projects, including the Adur Tidal Walls, Newhaven Flood Alleviation Scheme and 5G Testbed, which have all been detailed earlier in this report.

In addition, there are other projects that have witnessed significant progress and these include the Central Research Laboratory (Brighton), Circus Street (Brighton) and Teville Gate (Worthing).

Central Research Laboratory

The Central Research Laboratory (CRL) is a mixed-use redevelopment that will provide a unique, high quality workspace, tailored to the unique needs of Brighton's creative and entrepreneurial businesses, particularly those designing and making physical products.

Key outputs of the project include:

- 4,645m^2 new employment space
- 500m^2 high-spec labs & workshops
- 1,300 student beds
- 369 new homes
- Over 100 on-site jobs

Phase 1 construction commenced in the summer of 2018 and the target completion date remains December 2019. Construction of the student blocks on the barracks site commenced in December 2018, completion of which is planned for summer 2020

Circus Street

This mixed use regeneration project will drive social, cultural and economic change for the Tarner and Valley Gardens areas of Brighton & Hove. Despite it being in a sought after location, the site is grossly underutilised and has lain largely vacant for nearly 12 years. The regeneration will provide:

- 142 new homes
- 450 student beds
- Circa 2,000m^2 commercial space
- Dance studio
- 232 new jobs

The Dance Space will house South East Dance and provide them with much-needed production space, a theatre and public space for community participation. It is estimated that 60,000 people will use the space every year.

Construction on-site began in the spring of 2018 and has been progressing to schedule. The project is due to be completed in the spring of 2020.

Teville Gate

Teville Gate along with Union Place form part of Worthing Central (phase 1), which is a comprehensive and co-ordinated transformation programme of Worthing's Town Centre. This project will deliver an exciting mix of leisure, commercial and residential uses, which will act as a catalyst for further regeneration and improvements to the public realm.

Overall, the redevelopment of Teville Gate House and Union Place has the potential to deliver;

- 650 new homes
- 30,000m^2 commercial space
- 6,470m^2 retail space
- Cinema & hotel
- 5000m^2 new public realm
- Modern parking facilities
- Up to 400 new jobs

All buildings at the Teville Gate site have been demolished and the site cleared.

The Greater Brighton Investment Programme – LGF Growth Deal Rounds 1& 2

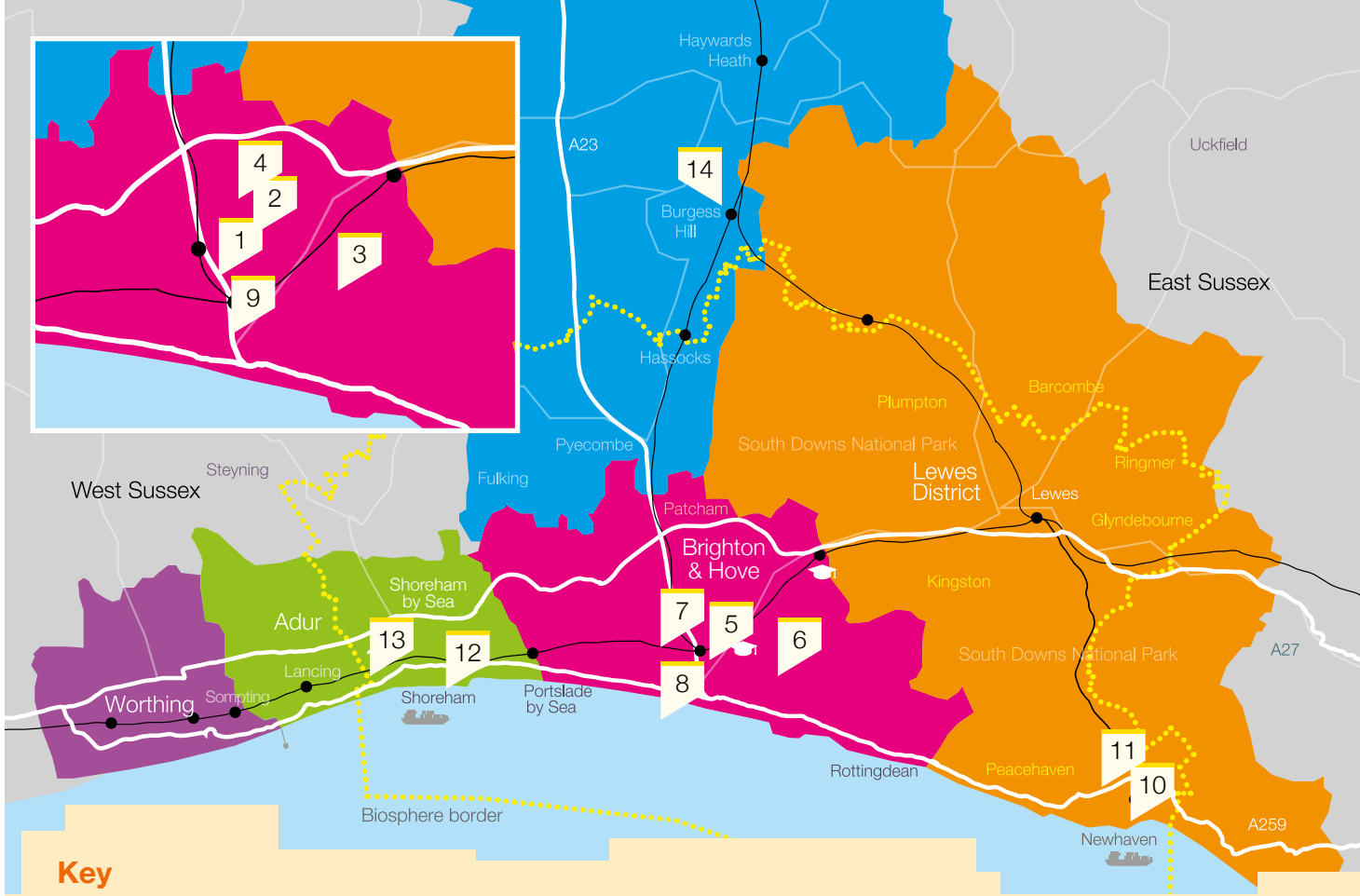
Overseeing the delivery of a co-ordinated programme of regeneration and infrastructure projects that support the creation of a network of high-value growth centres in key locations across the City Region

Approximately £90m was allocated to projects across the City Region from rounds 1 & 2.

These projects will deliver a total investment of approximately £376m into the City Region, unlocking an estimated 14,000 jobs, 8,200 homes and 450,000m^2 of employment floorspace.

An overview of all of these projects is contained in the Board's 2014/15 Annual Report.

The above figures vary from initial estimates; changing as project business cases have been further developed and refined and funding agreement signed.



Key

1. New England House Creative Tech Growth Centre
2. Digital Catapult Centre Brighton and 5G testbed **Completed 2018**
3. Advanced Engineering Centre **Completed 2017**
4. Preston Barracks Central Research Laboratory
5. Circus Street Innovation Hub and Regeneration
6. City College Construction Trades Centre **Completed 2017**
7. Brighton & Hove Bike Share Scheme **Completed 2017**
8. Brighton & Hove Intelligent Transport Systems Package
9. Brighton Valley Gardens
10. Newhaven Flood Alleviation Scheme
11. Newhaven Port Access Road
12. Western Harbour Arm Flood Alleviation Scheme **Completed 2019**
13. Adur Tidal Walls Flood Defence Scheme **Completed 2019**
14. Burgess Hill A2300 Corridor Improvements

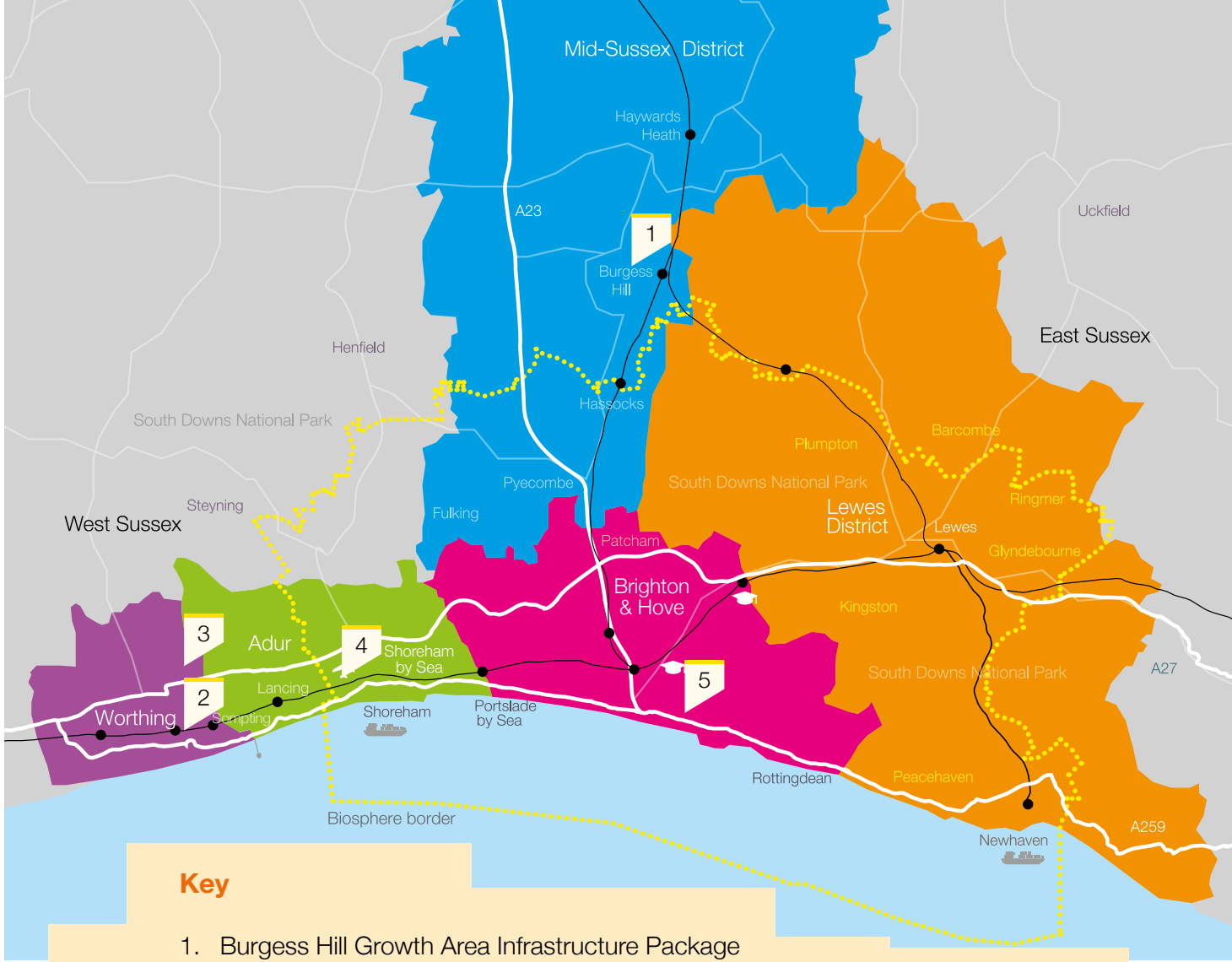
The Greater Brighton Investment Programme – LGF Growth Deal Round 3 Funding

Securing capital grant funding to unlock strategically important projects across the City Region

Coast to Capital's Round 3 Call for Growth Projects was launched on 22 December 2015. In response, the Board reviewed the Greater Brighton Project Pipeline and prioritised projects for this highly competitive round of the Growth Deal. Five Greater Brighton projects were allocated funding, totalling around £43m.

An overview of all of these projects is contained in the Board's 2016/17 Annual Report

The above figures vary from initial estimates; It should be noted that the above outputs may include an element of duplication with some projects already within the Greater Brighton Investment Programme; those forming part of a larger strategy or programme to unlock key growth sites.



Key

1. Burgess Hill Growth Area Infrastructure Package
2. Worthing Central Phase 1 (Teville Gate House and Union Place)
3. Decoy Farm, Worthing
4. New Monks Farm and Airport Business Estate, Shoreham
5. Black Rock Site Development, Brighton & Hove

The Greater Brighton Investment Programme – Unallocated funds from Rounds 1 & 2, December 2016 call

Securing capital grant funding to unlock strategically important projects across the City Region

In December 2016, Coast to Capital announced that it had approximately £46.65m of unallocated funds available to support capital growth projects. The Greater Brighton Economic Board put forward eight bids, five of which were successful in being awarded funding, totalling around £9.9m.

An overview of all of these projects is contained in the Board's 2016/17Annual Report.

Key

1. Adur Civic Centre
2. Springman House
3. Railway Quay
4. Eastside South
5. Royal Pavilion Exchange – Corn Exchange & Studio Theatre

The Greater Brighton Investment Programme – Unallocated funds from Rounds 1 & 2, July 2017 call

In July 2017 Coast to Capital launched a new funding round for additional unallocated funds from rounds 1 & 2. In December 2017, Coast to Capital announced that a total of £27 million had been allocated in the areas of Housing, Regeneration & Infrastructure; Business, Enterprise & Skills; and Transport. Around £12m of the total will be supporting projects from across Greater Brighton:

- **Crawley College STEM & Digital Centre (Crawley, £5.0m)** to develop a new Science Technology and Maths and Digital Skills centre in Crawley, to create a state of the art learning environment
- **Pelham Campus Redevelopment (Brighton, £5.0m)** to construct a new Centre for Creative and Digital Industries, together with part refurbishment of the Pelham Tower
- **Ricardo Hybrid Powertrain (Shoreham-by-Sea, £1.5m)** to deliver a state of the art four-wheel drive hybrid powertrain rig to enable the research and development of the next generation of electrified powertrain systems and vehicles
- **Charleston Trust Centenary Project (Lewes, £0.4m)** to preserve Charleston's heritage, enhance the Trust's economic and cultural role and expand the site to achieve a sustainable financial future
- **Sussex Innovation Centre (Falmer & Croydon, £0.14m)** to create more space and enable additional support through redesign of the large reception area at Sussex Innovation centre Falmer and to create a co-working space and meeting area, with Business hub space, within the Number One Croydon building.

Key

1. Crawley College
2. Pelham Campus
3. Ricardo
4. Charleston Trust
5. Sussex Innovation Centre

A glance ahead to next year: much to look forward to

A Growing City Region

Arun District Council set to join in 2019, increasing the reach and influence of the City Region.

Delivering Progress through a Local Industrial Strategy

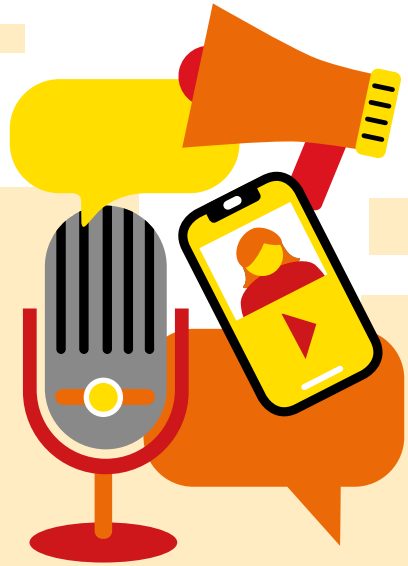
Supporting colleagues at Coast to Capital as it negotiates with Government to develop a Local Industrial Strategy for the City Region and wider LEP geography.

Listening to our Business Community

The Board has commissioned a Business Survey that will gain responses from at least 1,500 City Region businesses. The evidence gathered from the survey will be an invaluable tool to aid the Board in supporting business in the best way possible.

Upgrading the Brighton Mainline (BML)

As Network Rail look to finalise their upgrade plans for the BML, the Board will be making the strongest possible argument for investment in this crucial transport corridor on behalf of all City Region residents and businesses.



Increasing Our Voice

The Board's membership contains great knowledge on of key issues including skills, transport, the rural economy and digital infrastructure. Over the next few months key spokespeople will be appointed to act as the voice for the Board on these topics.

Closing statement

From Garry Wall, Former Leader of Mid Sussex District Council (outgoing), Chairman of Greater Brighton 2018/19

The last 12 months has been one of real change for Greater Brighton; a year where there has been visible signs of what working together can deliver for our residents and also a year which has seen the Region grow in size, stature and confidence.

When I joined the board four years ago, it was not immediately apparent what a City Region was, never mind how it would work. But what we did know - and still know today - is that the economy of our region knows no boundaries. It is only by working together and presenting one united voice that we can draw in the funding and support needed to help our communities thrive.

I started off my year as chairman of the City Region by saying that working together was paramount. Brexit was (and remains) on the horizon, we continue to face major challenges around issues of affordable housing, transport and skills; not helped by the Government's fixation on other urban areas outside the south east.

One of my first aims as chairman was to ensure that we developed a clear narrative about what Greater Brighton is and present a unified voice, clearly heard at a national level. I'm pleased the Government is now listening.

Our five key priorities - international, creative, connected, talented and resilient - have now been agreed. Our relationships with regional partners, civil servants and ministers have been strengthened. Our message is appearing more regularly in local, regional and national media. I am confident that this renewed focus will accelerate investment in our region.

The fact we are growing in size and scope supports this work. Crawley Borough Council and Gatwick Airport have both brought new ideas and energy to the table while opening up new funding opportunities for the City Region. Arun District Council will be joining the Board, taking Greater Brighton's population to more than one million.

On the ground, the benefits of the £200 million of investment brought in by Greater Brighton is being seen by residents and businesses. The fact we continue to bring in money from government is a sign that Whitehall trusts us to deliver.

In the last 12 months I have made it a priority to get out and about across the City Region to see some of these major schemes take shape.

Homes are, of course, in great demand across the region. In Burgess Hill, Homes England's involvement in the 176 hectare Northern Arc development will help deliver 3,500 new homes, over a 1000 of which are affordable.

We also know that jobs are important which is why I am delighted to see advances in the 5G testbed which will support our creative industries while the Advanced Engineering Centre at the University of Brighton is starting to train the entrepreneurs of the future.

Public services are important too. In Lewes, there is the North Street Quarter. Thanks to One Public Estate funding the development will bring together health services in a new state-of-the-art building to free up land for new homes.

There is also investment in communities too. In Newhaven, the enterprise zone is not only creating jobs but changing perceptions of this port town. In Crawley, a major growth programme focused on regenerating the town centre is well underway.

Our focus on improving infrastructure is bearing fruit. In Shoreham, thousands of homes and businesses have been protected from the risk of flooding thanks to the £45 million Adur Tidal Walls scheme.

Greater Brighton also remains acutely aware of the need to look to a sustainable future. I am delighted to see our Infrastructure Panel making headway on how we will provide enough water, energy and digital infrastructure to support our communities.

For me, personally, I leave the role as Chairman of Greater Brighton knowing that the City Region has already delivered on many fronts. Our task is now to accelerate our work by unlocking our potential. This can only be achieved if we continue to work together delivering continued prosperity for our residents and businesses.

I look forward to seeing what the future holds for our fantastic City Region.

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