# Creating the Most Liveable Capital City Region in Europe

- and why transport really does matters!



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# "....for Cardiff to become the most liveable European Capital City."





Wakefield

Cardiff: The UK's new no.1 city

Moneysupermarket.com- best UK City

Cardiff residents are blessed with the best quality of life in Britain, following a year of falling unemployment and rising disposable income - according to new MoneySuperMarket

Money Super Market ....

for Quality of Life

Leeds

## **Quality of Life Capital EU Urban Audit Perception Survey 2013**

- UK's number 1 city for quality of life according to residents
- Best UK city for sports facilities
- 6th best city in Europe for cultural facilities
- Best UK city in terms of quality of public space
- Best UK city for retail, and top 10 in Europe

Perception survey in 79 European cities

Quality of life in cities

Regional and Orban Roacy

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What is the Cardiff City Region?

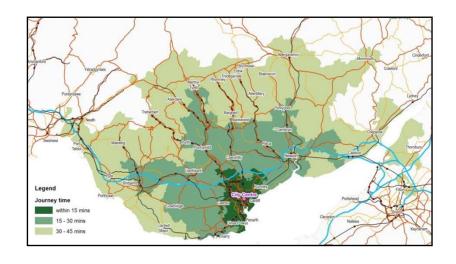
The Key Regional Project

**Cardiff: Transformation** 

## The City Region...



#### **Cardiff City Region – but is it really a region?**



"...when Cardiff prospers the Valleys thrive...."

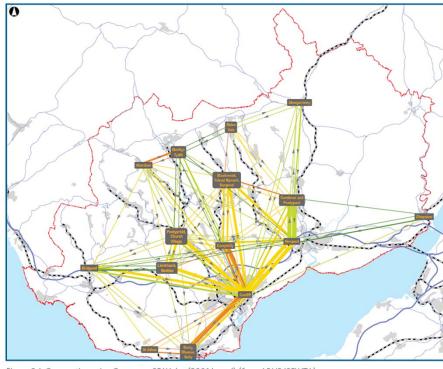
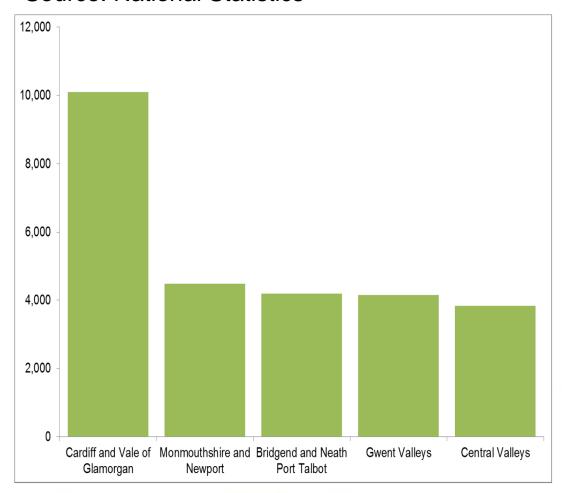


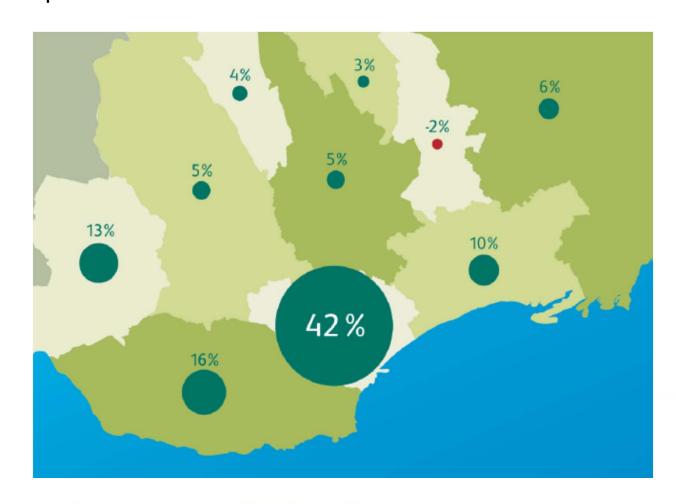
Figure 24: Commuting using Caracross SE Wales (2001 based) (from ARUP/SEWTA)

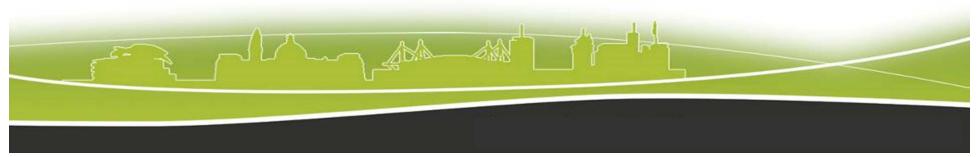
...well it definitely behaves like one

## Workplace based GVA current basic prices 2012 (£m) Source: National Statistics



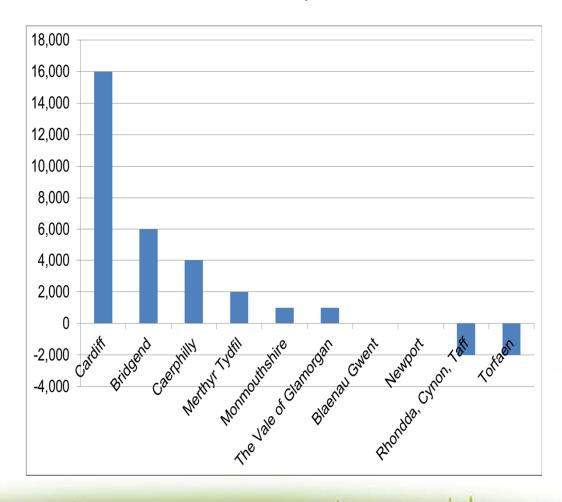
**Cardiff - Expected Population Growth Levels** 





#### **Job Growth in South East Wales**

Nomis Job Density Data 2002 - 2012

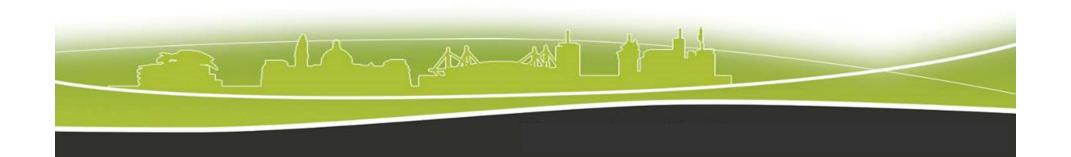


#### But does it believe it?

10 Local Authorities
South East Wales
The SEW Region
Cardiff Capital Region
Cardiff City Region
The Cardiff Metro



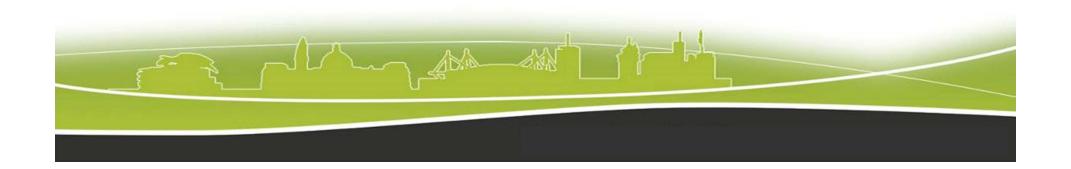
...does the name matter?



## The Key Regional Challenges

- Governance
- Vision + Strategy
- Delivery Mechanisms
- •Resources....

...it needs something really Big!



Report to the Minister for Economy, Science and Transport



#### A Cardiff Capital Region Metro:

Impact Study - Executive Summary

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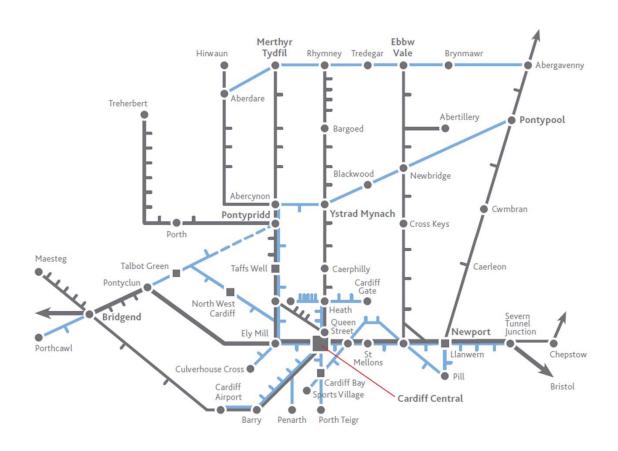
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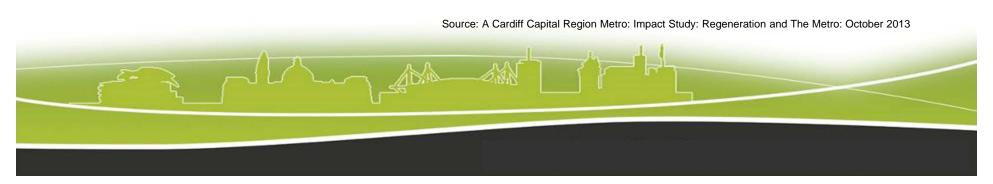
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"The Metro will be a turn up and go integrated transport network that connects the primary settlements of the Cardiff City Region"

#### The Metro

#### Cardiff City Region Metro Plan





#### The Metro:

•A single Integrated Network

•Rail / Tram / Rapid Bus

Shared ticketing / technology / information

•A limited number of strategic projects

#### The Metro

Welsh Government Leadership
The Key City 'Region Forming' Project
Regional Integration
Too Big for one LA
Common UK Experience

# **Metro = The City Region**





# Cardiff: Metro Transformation

## Transport: So how are we doing...?

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Car 57% (-4)
Train 6% (+3)
Bus 11% (-3)
Walking 17%(+3)
Cycling 8% (+3)
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Sustainable Modes 44% (+4) Target 50%

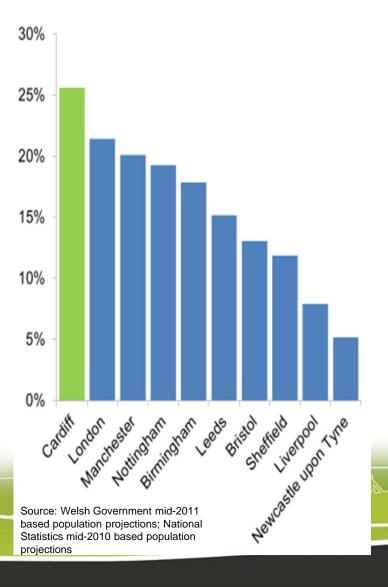


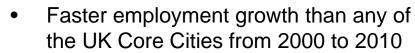




#### **Fastest Growing UK City**

20 year Projected Population Growth 2014 - 2034





- Visitor spend increased by over £400m in past five years
- Significant investment opportunities in city centre sites
- Predicted growth in Financial & Professional Services and Creative Sectors









**Metro: City/Region Transit Options** 



Metro: NW Growth Corridor Express Transit

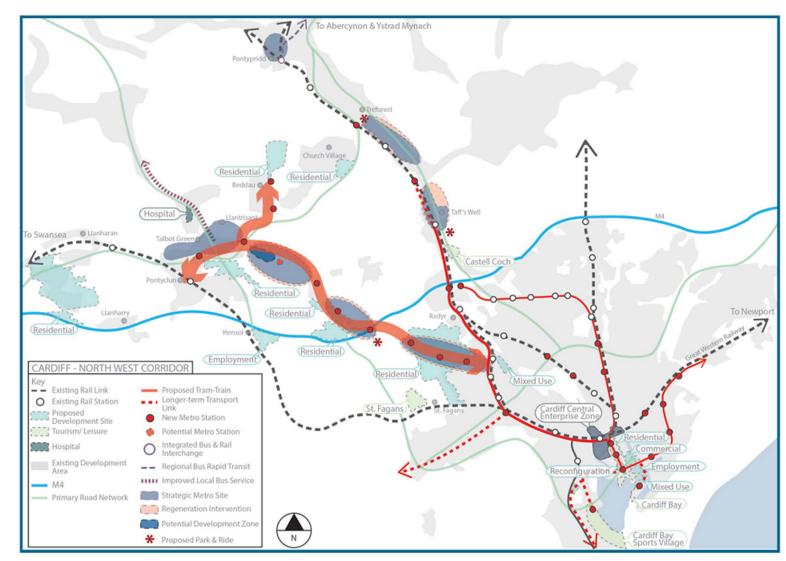
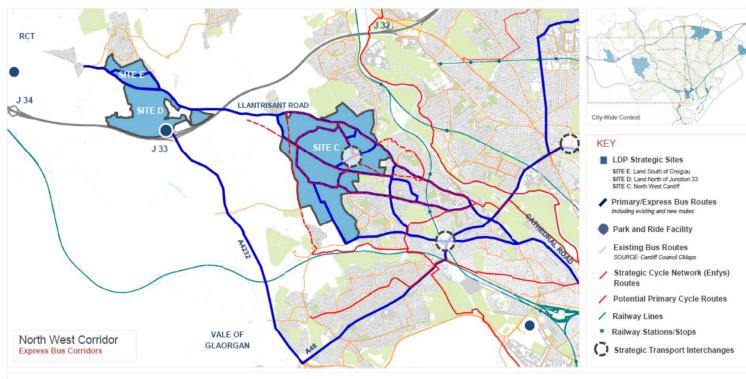


Figure 9: Spatial illustration of NW Corridor Intervention

NW Corridor – Express Bus Details



#### **Bus Details**

- . Transport hub / Park and Ride facility, south of the site at Jct 33 and interchange at Site C and Waungron
- . Bus gate between Llantrisant Road and Jct 33 to prevent the north-south through movement by all motor vehicles, except buses and emergency vehicles.
- . Spine Roads to allow two way bus movement and allow for delivery of Rapid Transit in the longer term.
- · Bus priority along Llantrisant Road being investigated.
- . Bus services option to divert into / through Sites C and D or continue along Llantrisant Road.
- . Bus services travelling along A4232, could comprise of diverting bus services through Site D and/or buses serving the new Park & Ride.
- RCT Council's LDP identifies a Park and Ride facility to the north of Junction 34 on the A4119

NO STATUS DRAFT (October 2014)

## NW Cardiff Strategic Site Illustrative Masterplan





#### **Some Key Measures: North West Corridor**

- New Park and Rides Intercepting regional traffic
- Extend bus network to strategic sites
- Effective Spine Roads tram / express bus / cycle etc
- Facilitate interchange between bus and rapid transit services with Transport hubs and Park and Ride facilities;
- Bus lanes / bus priority on Llantristant Road;
- Bus gates
- Segregated strategic cycle routes.



#### **Cardiff City Centre – Bay Link**







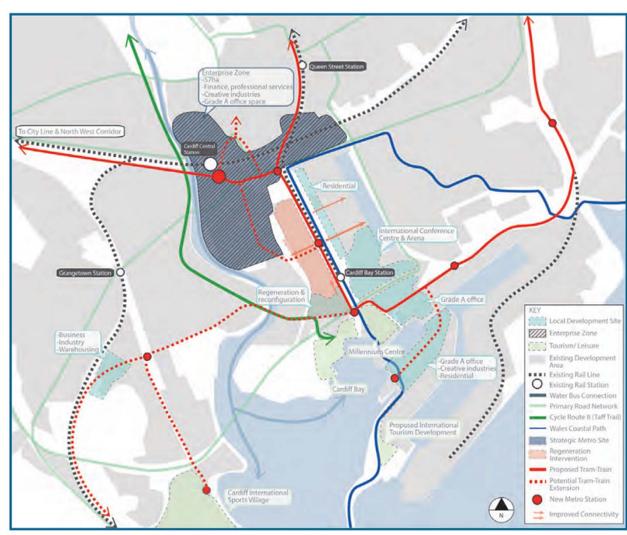


Figure 53: Spatial Map of Cardiff Bay/Central section of NW Corridor Intervention

## **Key Transport Projects**

1: Supporting Metro – Region

2: Strategic Bus Study - Cardiff Bus

3: New Bus Station

4: New Cardiff Central Interchange

5: A New Cycle Strategy

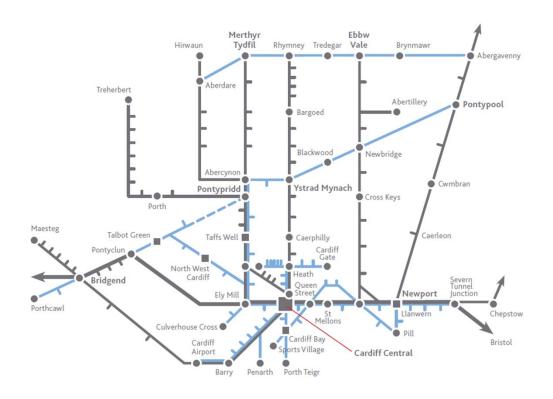
**6: Reshape CC Highway Movement Network** 

#### **Transforming the City / Bay Link**





Source: A Cardiff Capital Region Metro: Impact Study: Regeneration and The Metro: October 2013



#### ...and now to transform the city region