

# INTEGRATING OUR CITIES

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# The Need

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- Demand for long distance rail travel has doubled to 125 million journeys a year in the past 15 years
- Network Rail has said by the mid-2020's the West Coast Main Line will be full
- By 2030 commuter services into London, Leeds, Manchester and Birmingham will be more congested and crowded

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- We need to act now to increase capacity for passengers & freight

**“HS2 will free up much-needed capacity on local and regional services across the north, easing overcrowding on commuter routes and taking the pressure off our motorways.”**

*Mike Blackburn, BT North West Regional Director & Chairman  
of the Greater Manchester Local Enterprise Partnership*

- It has been estimated that HS2 would take 500,000 lorries a year off our roads
- The demand for rail freight is predicted to double over the next 20 years .

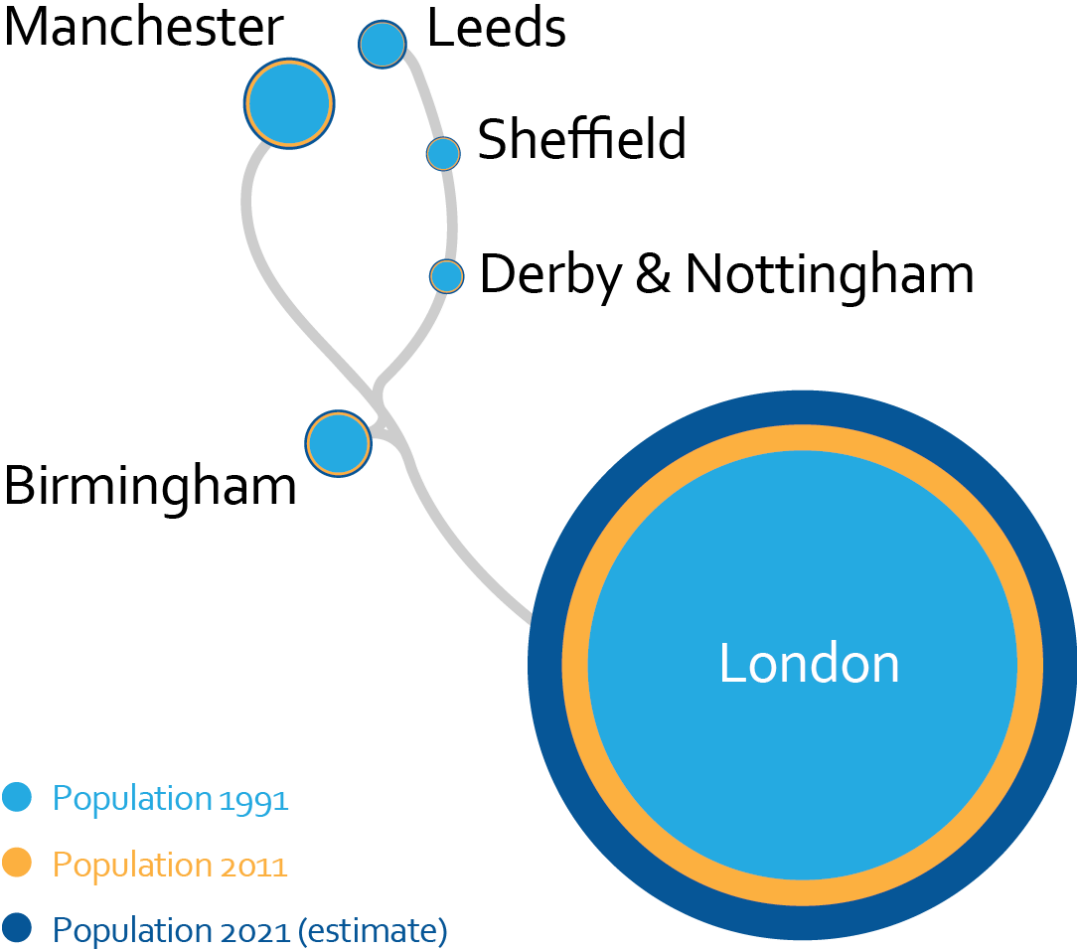
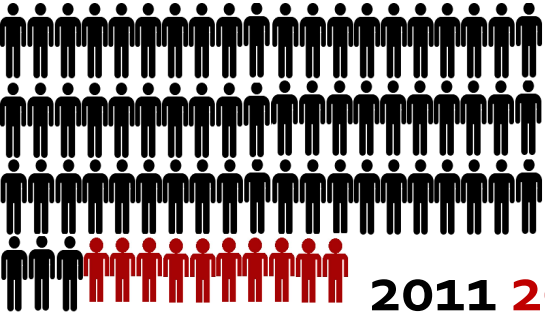
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- A North-South line is critical to the economies of the major cities of the North and Midlands
- Capacity is needed not just for longer distance passenger services but also local and regional commuter services and freight
- Case for capacity is clear and compelling
- Very much fits with Northern Hub and our leading role on the devolution of Trans-Pennine and Northern Rail services
- Key question is what form the new capacity should take
- The economic case for High Speed is robust
- For our future generations we can't afford to not do it !!

# Continued population growth, more people living in our cities

UK population,  
millions



Source ONS Subregional – population estimates and projections, 2001 to 2021

# The Opportunity

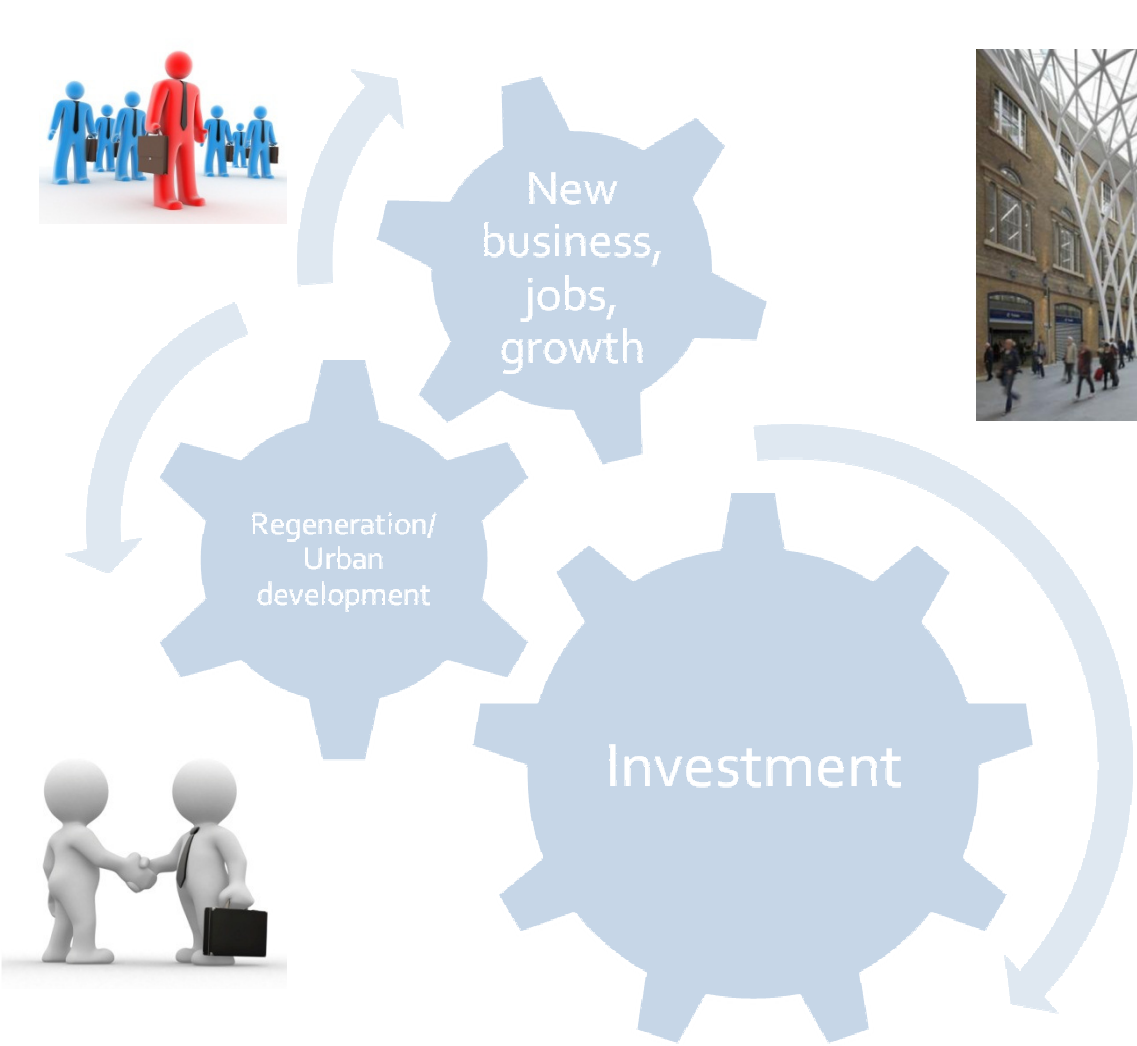
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- The network will serve one in five of the UK's population
- Over 70% of jobs created will be outside London

**“The new high-speed links can create thousands of new jobs and boost regional growth, as well as providing a much-needed boost for our construction and manufacturing industries.”**

*Frances O'Grady, TUC General Secretary*

# Improved connectivity can transform local economies



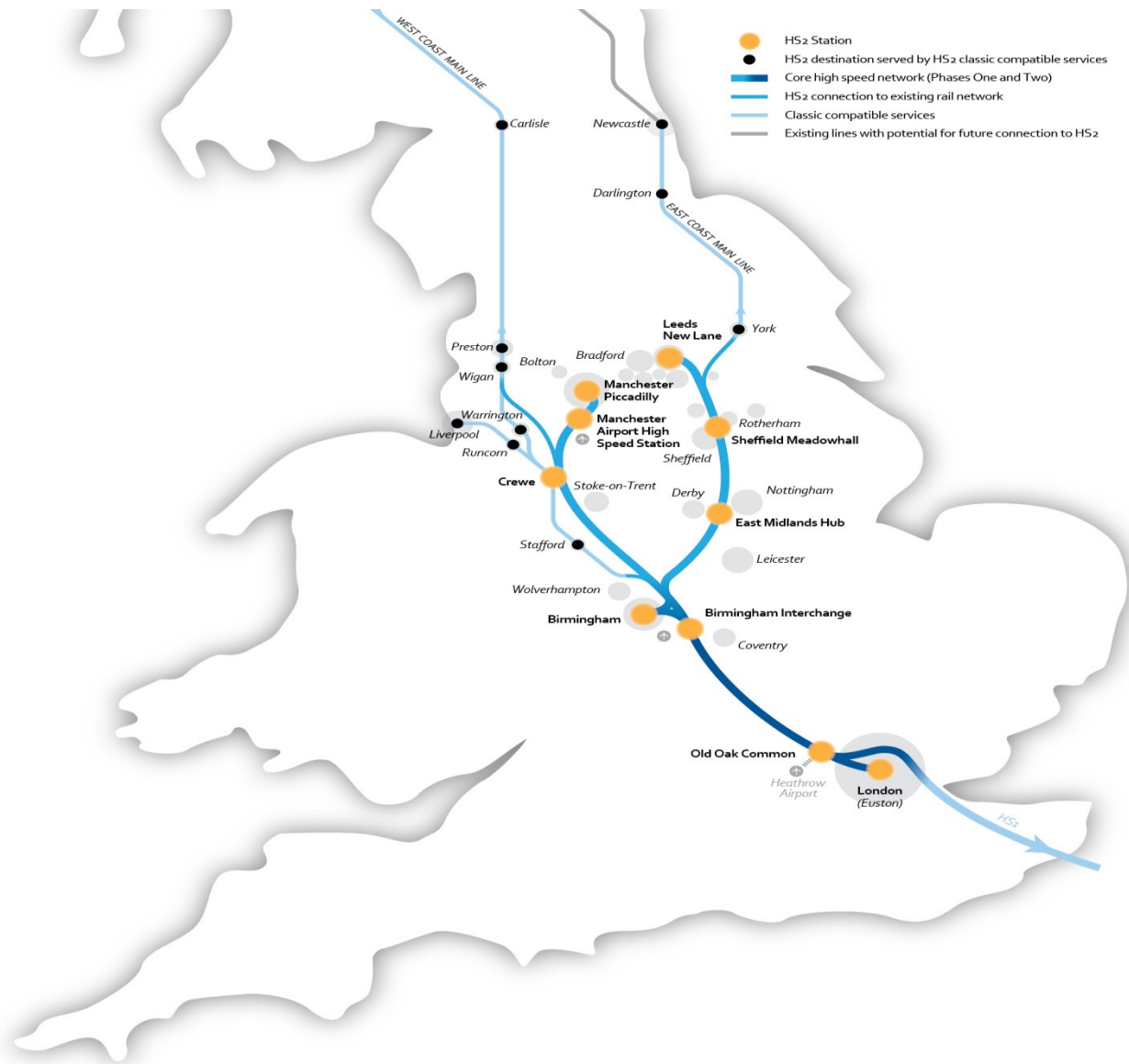
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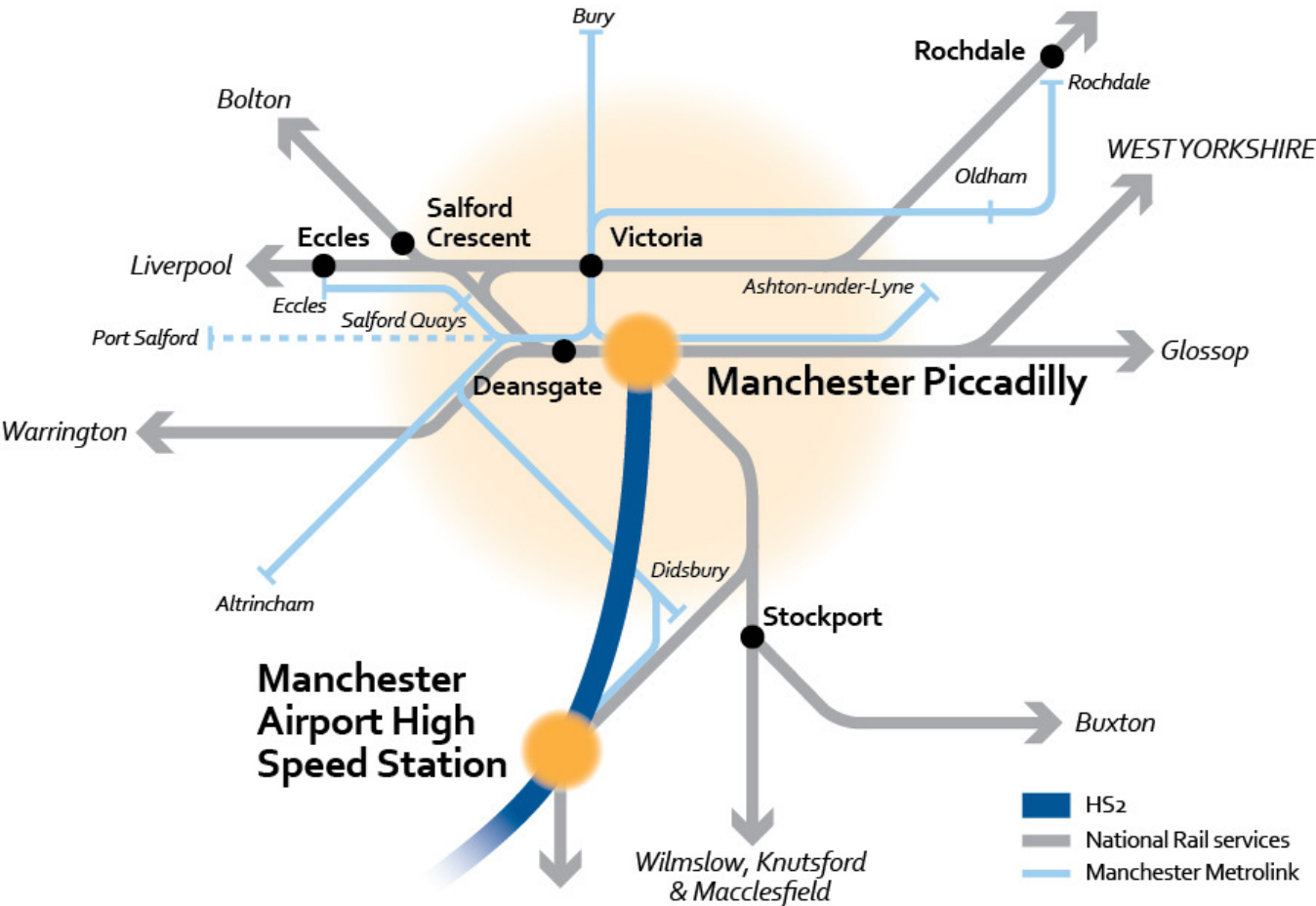
- Experience from HS1, around St Pancras and other European cities of the catalytic regenerative effect
- Delivering major economic growth around stations and the wider regions served by high speed
- New world class nodes at Manchester Piccadilly and Airport
- Providing excellent multi-modal connectivity to the rest of the region and beyond
- This is over and above the Northern Hub works that will benefit the wider region
- Currently working on an accelerated integrated Piccadilly Station as part of our consultation response



# The HS2 Network must be integrated



# Integration with the wider network



# Why the UK is investing in HS2

## Capacity By 2025 the West Coast Main Line will be full

Long distance rail travel has **doubled since the mid-1990s**

Network Rail New Lines Programme

**18** trains an hour will be run by HS2, **doubling** the number of seats between London and Birmingham

## Connectivity HS2 will redraw the economic map of Britain

**8** of Britain's largest cities will be better connected

**2/3** of the population of Northern England will be within **2 hours** of London

## Growth HS2 will help secure future prosperity

For every **£1** invested, the benefits of HS2 will return **£2**

HS2 Ltd Economic Case

**£15 billion** estimated annual contribution to UK GDP from KPMG

## Regeneration HS2 is a major catalyst for job creation

In the West Midlands, HS2 is key to plans to provide **100k jobs**

Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council & Arup

When open, it is predicted that HS2 will underpin the delivery of **400k jobs**

The Core Cities Group



# HS2 - the benefits for Greater Manchester



## **Better journeys**

More trains, more services, more seats



## **Generating growth**

A boost for jobs and business in Greater Manchester



## **Connecting cities**

Improving links across the country



## **Good for goods**

Extra space for freight = less lorries on roads



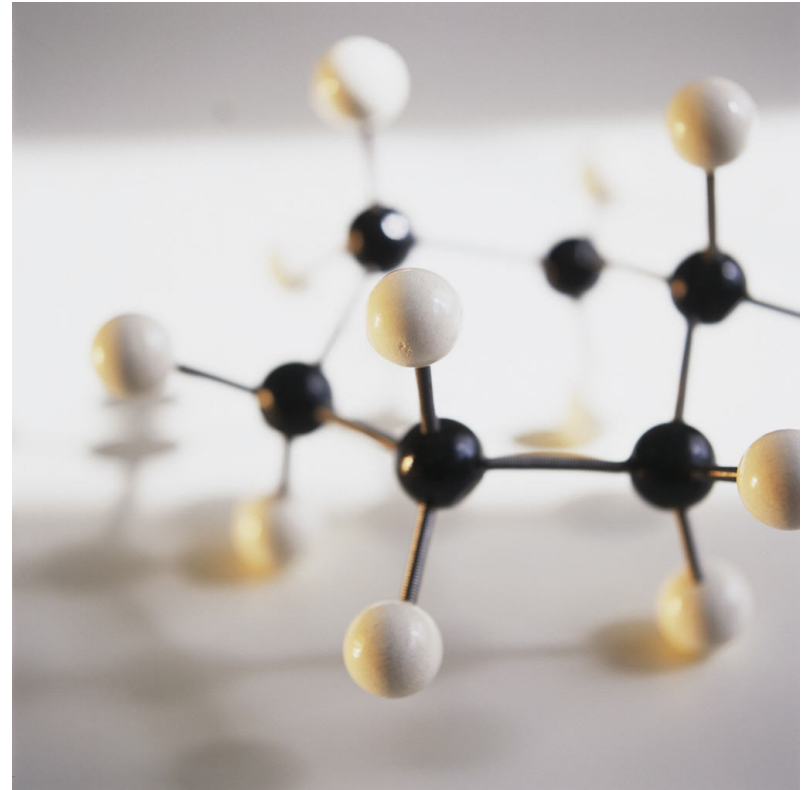
## **Greener travel**

More trains less cars - you know it makes sense

# Capitalising our knowledge capital

HS2 will deliver for future generations by:

- Opening up the Midlands and North as preferred study locations to reduce the saturation pressure in London
- Research, development and innovation – all will be stimulated by HS2
- Many UK universities have centres of excellence in Rail Technology and logistics
- International recruitment is vital to the UK economy, it is a major export source of income



# Generating jobs and skills in GM

Recent research by KPMG shows:

○HS2 will provide the Manchester city region economy a yearly boost equivalent of **up to 1.7% of the city region's GDP.**

○This equates to up to **£1.3bn in productivity gains** for Greater Manchester.

○A new high speed rail station at Manchester Piccadilly could support **30,000 new jobs.**

○Phase Two could create employment for up to **70,000 workers.**



# How HS2 delivers for GM business

Investing in HS2 will deliver significant benefits for GM businesses, creating:

- Improved capacity on a crowded and creaking network – permitting supply to match demand.
- Enhanced access to markets nationally and internationally – fostering new investment and transforming regions.
- Better connections between Northern cities, enabling the specialisation/labour market impacts that create markets.
- Raised productivity in cities – agglomeration and wages.
- Saved time for existing travellers.
- Creation of world class firms in infrastructure – enabling exports.



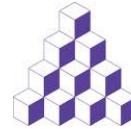
# A coalition of support across GM

The Greater Manchester HS2 Leadership Group brings together:

- industry leaders
- business groups
- decision makers

Supporting the case for a new north south rail line

Generating support in business, political and public spheres



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