

Project	RAG Status	Description
Northern Growth Corridor		
North East and Central Herts Joint Planning work	Green	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The latest Business Case has been shared with Board Members and was discussed at the Board on 11/01/21 to review the timeline, resources and next steps. Further discussion about timescales and funding options needed before next meeting CEx's and Heads of Planning to discuss.
Community Wealth Building	Green	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Cooperative and Inclusive Economy Charter was launched at an online summit by SBC on 19th November 2020, which was attended by local, regional and national stakeholders. The charter generated a lot of positive feedback. On the day, Sharon Taylor and Matt Partridge announced the ambition to secure 100 pledges in 100 days. Communications Plan is being developed to further promote the charter during January. CWB Plan pilot activities continue to be identified by SBC, lead officer to organise a pan-Herts working group with those partners interested in taking this forward Joint work with the University of Hertfordshire continues, focussed on procurement. Webinar on CWB and its potential in Herts to be organised later in the spring.
Future Growth Locations and Connectivity	Amber	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The brief for the work programme development was signed off at the November meeting with the procurement process commencing in January 2021.
Reinvigorating Town Centres	Green	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Constituted high level steering group with first meeting held on 8th January 2021. Upcoming actions include responding to immediate COVID-19 challenges and commissioning strategy and action plan for High Streets and Town Centres.
Growing Science & Technology Sector (Cell and gene cluster focus)	Amber	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Held first meeting end December 2020 with LEP, Local Authorities and Chief Executive Lead. Clarity about LEP led areas and Growth Board led areas of work agreed. Short term action frame proposed with immediate place-based actions to be investigated in Stevenage including review and update of Gunnels Wood Road Area strategy LEP continue industry engagement to gather evidence on the sector and its needs, which includes supply chain & market demand studies. Initial draft Enterprise and Innovation Strategy completed.
Climate Change & Sustainability	Amber	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water: The draft Water Action Plan has been shared with the EA, water authorities and the Lead Local Flood Authority for review. Responses requested by 8th Jan 2021. The University of Hertfordshire and independent consultants have been engaged to provide a 'critical friend' review of the plan. The final draft is due late January 2021. Beyond this the action plan could be shared with the HGB / Growth Corridor Boards with a view to informing future project and programme options. Biodiversity: The scoping document required for us to properly understand the biodiversity baseline has been drafted with the intention for it to go out to tender in January 2021. Carbon: Work continues on the collection of data for district/borough and countywide emission baseline and the preparation of a draft action plan. Transport: The inaugural HCCSP virtual conference took place in December with good attendance and positive feedback.
Southern Growth Corridor		
Accelerated Housing	Green	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Following meetings with MHCLG and Homes England work has commenced on reviewing the list of potential housing sites for acceleration and confirmation of the Hertfordshire Housing pipeline. Although revised criteria for new funding sources are still to be confirmed, we are being encouraged to identify both a short-term and long-term pipeline of sites. A fundamental test of eligibility for the next round of funding will be deliverability over the next four years. To commence this work, a further round of meetings with Districts will commence in January. HE supporting exploration of Strategic Partnership Bid by HGB

Mass Rapid Transit	Green	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic Narrative draft document in preparation to support business case development). • On track to complete the draft Options Assessment Report and draft Appraisal Specification Report by the end of March 2021. • The promotional video, including 3D imaging, is in preparation. • Naming and branding work underway. • Updated District Council officers about the outcome of the route options/scenarios shortlisting process and the next steps at the A414 Corridor Officers' Group meeting on 18th December 2020. • Project team reviewing timing of public consultation considering the ongoing impacts of Covid-19 and timing of local elections
Harlow & Gilston Garden Town	Green	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collating feedback from both consultation periods still shows a broad consensus for the proposals within the Transport Strategy. • The HGGT team supporting Hertfordshire County Council's Housing Infrastructure Grant (HIG) project team, to work through the governance and oversight arrangements between HGGT and HCC and to discuss the work underway on Land Assembly. • Cabinet and Executive approvals have been gained at Harlow District Council and East Herts District Council respectively, agreeing the recommendation of use in principle of CPO Powers for the Gilston CPO crossings, in line with the programme.
Resetting the SE Herts economy in response to COVID-19 and climate change	Red	<p>Project 1 Park Plaza West</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The prospective developer has now appointed a development team which is working on a revised master plan and delivery plan for the development of the proposed business park. Initial discussions have taken place with the Council. Project remains red rated due to timeline slippage, although positive progress is now being made.
	Amber	<p>Project 2 New Park Lane Railway Station, Waltham Cross</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The initial Strategic Outline Business Case for a new station is now complete. Arrangements are being made to seek key stakeholder views Spring 2021 to help scope and take forward the scheme. The footbridge design will be refreshed as part of the rail halt development scheme given their impact on each other. Project remains amber rated due to some delays to original timeline.
	Green	<p>Project 3 Development of a new Business Park and Business and Technology Centre (BTC) – Maxwells West</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RMA should be received for the main access road in January and works contract will be let soon afterwards by the private sector partners. Design of the BTC is progressing with pre-app meetings held with the LPA on 13 Jan with a view to a planning application being made at the end of January/early February.
	Green	<p>Project 4 Brookfield & surrounding infrastructure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highways design is now being tested with results expected early 2021. The Development Agreement for Brookfield Riverside was completed on 22nd December 2020. The overall masterplan consultation with adjacent landowners commenced on 5th January 2021 with the closing date for comments being 29 January 2021. Monthly Member Board meetings being held between HCC and BoB.
	Green	<p>Project 5 Waltham Cross Town Centre Regeneration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Realm Design Phase 1 – Preliminary design commenced Oct 2020, due to complete March 2021. Masterplanning for redevelopment of the norther half of the town centre is underway. The Council has acquired a second property, the Pavilions Shopping Centre, which can now be incorporated into the overall town centre regeneration proposals.
Watford Junction Quarter	Amber	<p>Station</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Network Rail and Kingshott close to agreeing business case for station concourse improvements; • Detailed design work to start imminently with 6-month programme; • Start on site in 2021; • Network Rail close to confirming business case for pedestrian link bridge across rail lines; • Design feasibility work to commence shortly.

	Green	<p>Systra work on transport interventions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technical and pre-strategic outline business case now completed; • Stage 2 work to look at more detailed design feasibility of key interventions to be commissioned.
	Green	<p>Planning Policy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Plan presented to Watford Borough Council Cabinet at end of November 2020, going out to consultation in early 2021; • Supplementary Planning Guidance to be progressed during 2021.
	Green	<p>Funding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Infrastructure Funding support request submitted to HM Government through Herts Growth Board • Stakeholder engagement with key landowners on-going; • Procurement has commenced to instruct consultants to help the Council to formulate a funding and development strategy in collaboration with landowners. Anticipating being able to commence work in March/April 2021.
Creative & Screen Industries	Amber	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Convened group and held first meeting end November 2020 with LEP, LA and Political lead. • Organised bilaterals with key screen industry contacts to find out more about barriers and opportunities to growth in their sector and their thoughts on what could be done by local authorities/LEP. • Contacted local authorities directly to build up evidence on the screen and creative sector and business incubation in each district. • LEP continue to gather evidence on the sector and its needs. • Future milestones include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Setting up a series of bilaterals, producing a report of key insights - areas of consensus and divergence. ○ LEP to complete the Enterprise and Innovation strategy ○ Reconvene screen and creative working group to discuss emerging insights and the LEP enterprise and innovation strategy and agree actions to feed into report/action plan.
Hemel Garden Communities	Green	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The draft Spatial Vision will be presented to DBC, SADC and HCC Committees during January and February with a final draft expected early March. • Transport Plan expected to be finalised by the Summer 2021. • Scoping a brief to guide the HGC Framework Plan SPD commencing in February with The Crown Estate; expected to reach draft stage in September 2021. • Continuing work on alignment with the DBC draft Local Plan and alignment between study outputs. • Continuing work on a draft HGC Infrastructure Delivery Plan and a high-level Programme Delivery Strategy. • Awaiting outcome of grant allocation from MHCLG Capacity Fund and aligning with HGB for future SHIF funding bid. • Liaising with Aylesbury Garden Town and Harlow and Gilston Garden Town on collaborative proposals for solar bulk buy, a digital strategy and LoRaWAN data network.