



The Glasgow City Region City Deal

CLYDE WATERFRONT & RENFREW RIVERSIDE

DEVELOPED PROPOSALS



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The Glasgow City Region City Deal

The £1.13bn Glasgow City Region City Deal is an agreement between the UK Government, the Scottish Government and eight local authorities across the Glasgow City Region: East Dunbartonshire Council; East Renfrewshire Council; Glasgow City Council; Inverclyde Council; North Lanarkshire Council; Renfrewshire Council; South Lanarkshire Council; and West Dunbartonshire Council. The City Deal will bring tens of thousands of jobs to the Glasgow City Region through 20 infrastructure projects; drive innovation and growth through the support of key sectors such as life sciences; and address challenges in the region's labour market. Both the UK and Scottish Governments are each giving the Glasgow City Region local authorities £500million in funding for the City Deal with member authorities investing a further £130million. Renfrewshire Council is playing a key role in delivering three of the biggest infrastructure investments; the Airport Access project, the Clyde Waterfront and Renfrew Riverside project and the Glasgow Airport Investment Area project. These projects, together with other Glasgow City Region City Deal projects being delivered by other local authorities, will transform local and regional connectivity resulting in job opportunities through business growth and inward investment.

City Deal Benefits

Overall, City Deal is expected to provide the following benefits:

- £2.2 billion of additional Gross Value Added (GVA) per annum to the Glasgow City Region
- 29,000 permanent additional jobs and improved access to employment opportunities
- 15,000 jobs during construction of the 20 projects
- Unlock £3.3 billion of new private sector investment
- Spread the benefits of economic growth across the Glasgow City Region, ensuring that disadvantaged areas benefit from the growth

The Clyde Waterfront & Renfrew Riverside Project

The Clyde Waterfront & Renfrew Riverside project aims to regenerate the Clyde Waterfront as an attractive riverside and urban area that supports existing and promotes new residential, industrial, commercial, business, retail and leisure opportunities. With the construction of a new 'opening' bridge across the River Clyde, which will accommodate vehicles, pedestrians and cyclists, and the construction of the Renfrew North Development Road, the project will better link communities and businesses on both sides of the river. This will increase the potential for business growth, for businesses on both sides of the river, as they gain access to increased numbers of customers and suppliers throughout Renfrewshire, Clydebank, Glasgow and the wider Glasgow City Region.

Objectives

The Clyde Waterfront & Renfrew Riverside Project will:

- Help facilitate the regeneration of the waterfront as an attractive, vibrant and sustainable urban area by improving access to key development sites, providing new housing, business and employment opportunities
- Improve access for communities north & south of the Clyde to key residential, employment, healthcare, education, leisure and retail sites for all modes of transport, including improved opportunities for leisure and active travel alongside and across the Clyde
- Enhance the local environment through the use of high quality landscaping to encourage high quality development and regeneration
- Optimise the operation of the local road network, resulting in improved journey time reliability and safety
- Improve access to and enhance local green space

Summary of Key Points

- A new 'opening' bridge across the Clyde between Renfrew, Yoker & Clydebank that maintains existing navigation rights.
- A new Renfrew North Development Road linking th new bridge, Meadowside Street / Kings Inch Road and Inchinnan Road.
- Improved facilities for public transport, cyclists and pedestrians.

Project Costs

The estimated cost of the project is £90.7M with the majority of funding being provided by the UK and Scottish Governments, reflecting the importance to the City Region economy, with additional funding being provided by Renfrewshire Council, reflecting the importance of the project to the local economy.

Consultation Update

Feedback from surveys completed by members of the public in May & June 2016 demonstrated overwhelming support for the project and the benefits in the local and wider area.

Five public exhibitions during May and June.



Plus the project team held more than **20** consultation meetings with groups and individuals, including community councils and councillors.

Engagement levels were high with more than **1,000** people taking part in the process.



Participation levels with the survey were high with **280** responses received



over **150 people**

have signed up to our City Deal mailing list.



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94%

of those who expressed an opinion on the project, believed the project will have positive outcomes for the area.

For the opening bridge **Corridor C** was found to be the most favourable option as **61%** of respondents who commented on location, picked that route.



Other aspects the project team were asked to consider going forward:



Impact of the proposals on local roads and existing traffic



Opportunities for walking and cycling



Impact on wildlife and the Blythwood woodland area

The Project Team has spoken regularly with key stakeholders to ensure that their concerns, along with any potential problems and constraints, have been identified and where possible addressed, prior to progressing with detailed design work and the subsequent planning application.

Examples of where this feedback has helped influence the design include: a preferred road alignment that minimises the impact on the trees in Blythwood; locating the new bridge and access roads away from existing and planned housing; minimising impact on river users, and; ensuring cycle routes are segregated from vehicle traffic where possible.

Concerns about traffic congestion on local roads in Yoker, Clydebank and Renfrew Town Centre has also influenced the selection of the preferred bridge locations, the design of the new roads and improvements to existing junctions, as well as helping to shape the strategy for advance warning of bridge operations.

1 Clyde Crossing



- An aesthetically attractive and aspirational “Twin Leaf” opening bridge. 2 locations still being considered.
- Junction with Dock Street preferred as it offers the most efficient road connection with Glasgow Road/Dumbarton Road; provides access to Yoker Train Station; links to the National Cycle Route; maintains access for existing businesses; minimises impact on future developments.
- Smart Phone “Apps” and Variable Message Signs at key locations will provide advance warning of bridge opening times.

2 Renfrew North Development Road

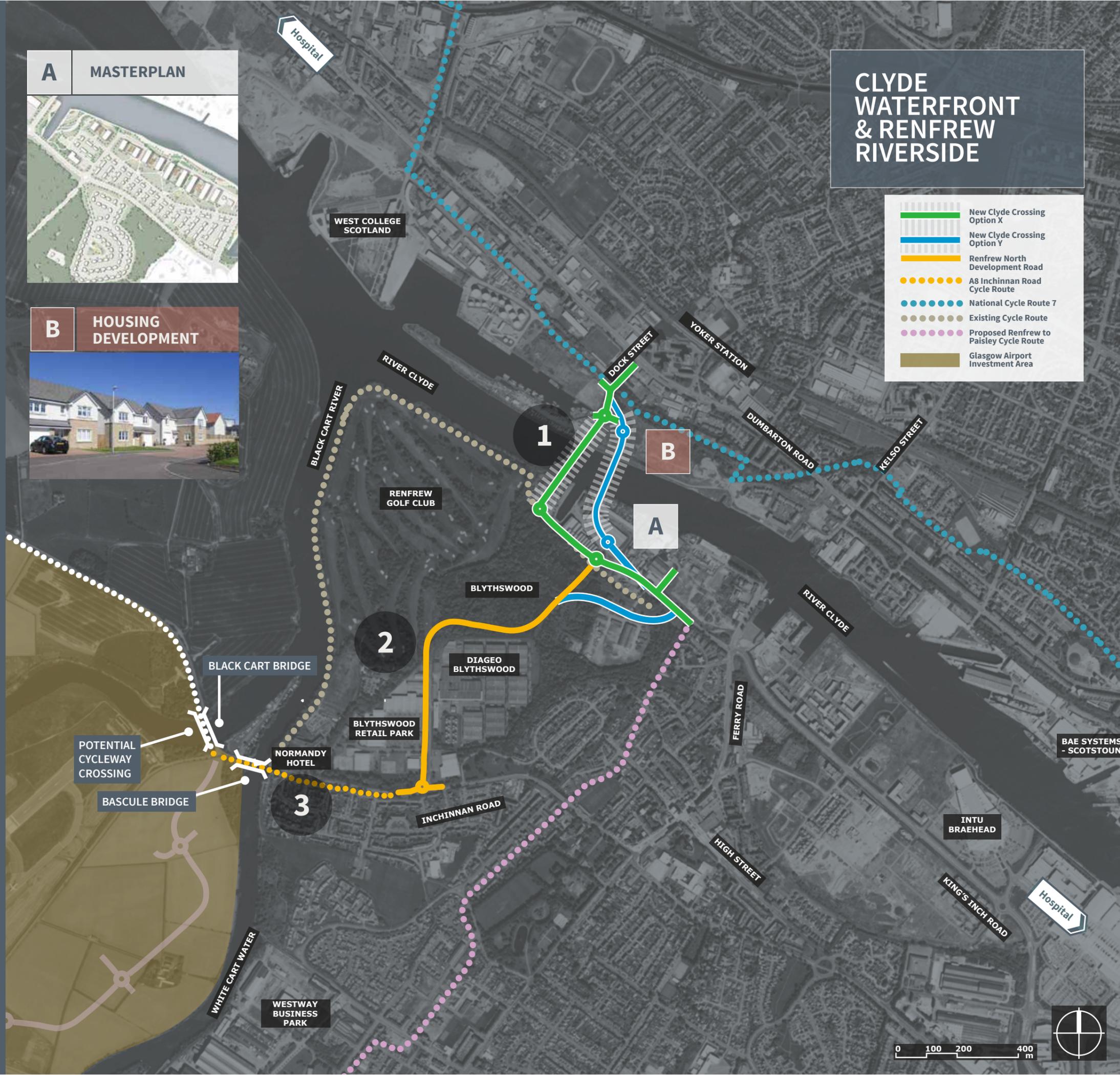
- New road connecting Inchinnan Road and Meadowside Street / Kings Inch Road with the new bridge.
- Offers alternative route around Renfrew, reducing traffic levels in Renfrew Town Centre and discouraging use of local “rat runs”.
- Argyll Avenue route preferred as it least affects Blythswood, offers the most efficient road connection with Inchinnan Road, while avoiding Renfrew Golf Club and local businesses.
- Shared footways & cycleways will link to new and existing active travel routes.
- The route will open up potential development sites on former industrial land and improve access to local greenspace.



3 A8 Inchinnan Road Cycle Route



- Existing carriageway width reduced to accommodate new 2-way segregated cycle route.
- Connects to new active travel routes on Argyll Avenue and routes delivered as part of Glasgow Airport Investment Area project.
- Existing pedestrian crossing upgraded to Toucan cycle / pedestrian crossing.



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	New Clyde Crossing Option X
	New Clyde Crossing Option Y
	Renfrew North Development Road
	A8 Inchinnan Road Cycle Route
	National Cycle Route 7
	Existing Cycle Route
	Proposed Renfrew to Paisley Cycle Route
	Glasgow Airport Investment Area

Current Position

The project team has looked in detail at the likely environmental, engineering, economic and traffic effects of the options for the bridges and associated road and cycleway alignments presented at the previous consultation events in May & June 2016 and have identified “preferred routes” - as shown on this leaflet.

These are the routes which are considered to provide the best opportunity of delivering the project objectives, while taking into account the feedback from the public and other key stakeholders.

The purpose of this consultation exercise is to get your views on the emerging designs for these preferred routes so that the project team can, where possible, take these into account as the design progresses.

Next Steps

The design of these preferred routes will be finalised over the coming months. As part of that process, further consultation events will be held early in 2017 with submission of a Planning Application soon after, in the spring/summer 2017.

Timescale for Completion



Stay Involved

See our website for further information including project updates and details of further public engagement events as the project develops. You can also sign up to the City Deal mailing list on our website to be notified when updates and events are announced.

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Other City Deal Projects in Renfrewshire

Glasgow Airport Investment Area

The Glasgow Airport Investment Area has the potential to become a powerhouse of economic growth for Renfrewshire and the Glasgow City Region; being close to the M8, and to key commercial sites with significant economic growth potential such as the Airport, Westway and Inchinnan Business Parks, Paisley and Renfrew town centres.

To help realise that potential, the £39.1M Glasgow Airport Investment Area project will deliver infrastructure and environmental improvements aimed at facilitating the creating of a world class business and commercial location in the heart of Renfrewshire. It's completion will assist in the continued growth and expansion of the airport, a key driver of the local and regional economy and a source of thousands of local jobs, allowing existing business to grow and new business to be created.

This investment in infrastructure will help to create a more attractive, vibrant and sustainable place to live and work by better connecting communities and businesses; resulting in more employment opportunities for Renfrewshire and City Region residents. A separate leaflet is available for this project.



Airport Access Project

The £144M Glasgow Airport Access Project is the City Deal's flagship project and emphasises the importance of Renfrewshire's role in the future economic success of the region.

The project will provide a direct rail link between Glasgow Central Station and Glasgow Airport, stopping at Paisley Gilmour Street station. This will make it easier for passengers to get to the airport and help local employees to get to work there while also improving access for other businesses in the area.



Crowned UK Airport of the Year 2015, Glasgow Airports success and expansion is vital to the wider economy of the Glasgow City Region area and to Renfrewshire's economic development. The Airport Access project will support this growth by offering better connections to all areas of the City Region by improving links with the wider transport network.