

REGENERATION PROGRAMME PERFORMANCE REPORT

26 October 2023

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Summary



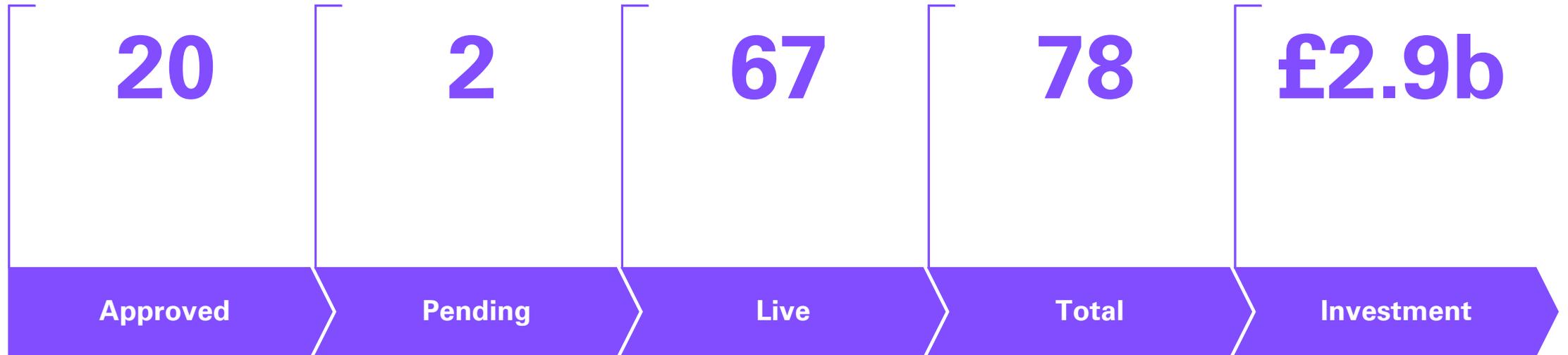
Concept – project in development

Business Case – project has an approved business case, submitted for funding

Delivery – project has funding approved and is progressing to being on-site

On-site – project has commenced construction of the physical asset

Summary



Planning Permission Granted - Approved
Planning Application Submitted – Pending Decision
Live Projects
Total – Live + Completed Projects
Investment Value – Total Projects

REGENERATION PROGRAMME BOARD ESCALATIONS



RAG	Project	Commentary
	Heat Network Commercialisation	Regeneration Programme Board requested that this project be added to the pipeline following the Cabinet approval of the Business Case.
	Levelling Up Zone Sites	Sites agreed with the Director of Regeneration & Growth. Site details submitted to the WMCA. Awaiting further guidance from the WMCA before sites are put forward to Cabinet for inclusion on the pipeline.
	LUF Round 3 Grove Lane	Government Announcement expected November 2023.
	Majestic Site	£2.2m viability gap identified working with the WMCA and DLUHC to secure funding. Regeneration Programme Board agreed for this to be added to the pipeline following update report to Cabinet in December 2023.
	King Street, Wednesbury	Completed. Project completed over budget, awaiting final cost report from the contractor.
	Brandhall Urban Village	Planning Approved October 2023.
	Causeway Green	Planning Approved October 2023.
	Wednesbury Masterplan	Added to pipeline following LUP Cabinet approval. Consultants commissioned.
	Shireland CBSO Academy	Completed.
	Elm Tree Primary Academy	Completed.
	Sandwell MEC	Completed.
	Windsor Olympus Academy	Completed.

RAG	Project	Commentary
	Long Term Plan for Smethwick	Recommendation submitted to Director Regeneration & Growth recommending that we commence procurement for consultancy support ahead of the capacity funding becoming available. Recommendation was approved by the Regeneration Programme Board and for it to be added to the pipeline given the announcement from Government.
	Millennium Centre	New project added to pipeline following Cabinet approval for LUP Funding allocation. Tight timescale for Delivery. Regeneration Programme Board agreed this to be added to the pipeline.
	HRA Programme	Budget allocations from the HRA to the programme are uncertain on a number of regeneration schemes. Board agreed for a 5-year pipeline of regeneration sites that will require HRA investment.
	Town Hall Quarter	Final costs for restoration works submitted Oct 23 which is in excess of budget. Some works removed to allow for 10% contingency, but significant risks have been excluded by the contractor. Regeneration Programme Board agreed for Legal Services to review with Land & Assets.
	Carrington Road	This site has been removed from the HRA Programme. Alternative development options being explored. Regeneration Programme Board requested this be added to the pipeline given it is a priority site for the council.
	Tipton Town Centre	Approved by Cabinet Oct 23. Financial Appraisals to be undertaken and BCRs produced on development options before this is agreed and submitted to DLUHC to enter into the MoU. Profiling of the HRA match funding will be included as part of the financial modelling for the scheme. Director of Regeneration & Growth requested a briefing with project leads.
	Blackheath Interchange	Project continuation is in serious doubt following feedback from consultation exercise. Options paper to be presented to Cabinet Members and to the Rowley Regis Town Deal Board.
	Haden Hill	Project re-scoped due to original scheme becoming unaffordable due to inflation costs. Project Adjustment request submitted to DLUHC.

RAG	Project	Commentary
	Retail Diversification Programme Indoor Market	Stage 4 Cost Plan received in September 2023 which exceeds the total project budget of £4.2m. Value engineering exercise is underway
	Acquisitions	Negotiations continue to acquire properties and assemble sites within the Retail Diversification Programme boundary. Formal valuations have been procured and completed for the two interests within the red line. Land & Assets to liaise with Legal Services. Change request approved by West Bromwich Town Deal Board and submitted to DLUHC to remove properties which cannot be acquired from the project scope and reprofile the spend to alternative project elements.
	Demolition	Revised demolition cost estimates have been procured across the programme. One site demolition estimate has been received, and there is a degree of confidence that the current demolition budget is sufficient.
	Midland Met Learning Campus	Partnership Agreement negotiations continue though the NHS Trust have not as yet been able to overcome their difficulties in providing sufficient insurance for the building, meaning the council as Accountable Body has not been able to agree to passport the Towns Fund funding. On Cabinet Forward Plan for consideration December 2023. The WMCA will also be made aware of the insurance issue as this will also affect the match funding agreement to the NHS Trust.

25 CONCEPT PROJECTS

Town Centres = 2

Transportation = 6

Education & Skills = 2

Housing = 11

Heritage = 3

Digital = 1

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Town Centres Theme

Theme Manager – Luke Dove

Update October 2023

Project	Stage	Developer	Investment	Planning	Outputs	Commences	Completes	Performance Update
Smethwick Long-Term Plan	Concept	Public	£20m	No Status	TBC	2024	2027+	Smethwick Awarded £20m through Government Long-Term Plan for Towns.
West Bromwich Masterplan sites	Concept	Public/Private	£165m	Various	1100 Homes	Various	2026	Delivery Options for West Bromwich Masterplan approved by Cabinet 16 Nov 2022.

Transport Theme

Theme Manager – Andy Miller

Update October 2023

Previous July 2023

Project	Stage	Developer	Investment	Planning	Outputs	Commences	Completes	Performance Update
Inclusive Growth Corridor Smethwick to Bham	Concept	Public	£16m	Permitted Dev	Connectivity Improvements	2025	2027	CRTST Programme – WMCA. SOBC submitted to WMCA September 2023. Circa £19m scheme, but this crosses B'ham boundary so £16m in Sandwell estimated. 2025 start, reliant on land acquisition for site assembly for associated housing schemes – Grove Lane. Scheme approval and highway improvement lines report on Cabinet Forward Plan for 6 th December 2023. OBC due January 2024.
A4123 Multi Modal Corridor	Concept	Public	£12m	Permitted Dev	Connectivity Improvements	2025	2027	OBC due to be completed November 2023 but delays to modelling work may delay this. Scheme approval report on Cabinet Forward Plan for 6 th December.
A461 Multi Modal Corridor	Concept	Public	£12.5m	Permitted Dev	Connectivity Improvements	2025	2027	SOBC completed January 2023. OBC to be submitted January 2024. Scheme approval report on Cabinet Forward Plan for 6 th December.

Transport Theme

Theme Manager – Andy Miller

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WBHE Sustainable Access Wbury to Dudley	Concept	Public	£16m	Permitted Dev	TBC	2024	2027	<p>CRSTS & Transforming Cities Fund TfWM Sandwell Delivery. Outline Business Case completed July 2022. FBC to be completed August 2024. An element of the OBC has been funded from value £2.2m of Active Travel Fund 3)</p> <p>Given the FBC will not complete until August 2024, the stage has been amended from B Case to Concept. Investment value has also been amended to £16m.</p>

Transport Theme

Theme Manager – Andy Miller

Update October 2023

Previous July 2023

Project	Stage	Developer	Investment	Planning	Outputs	Commences	Completes	Performance Update
Sandwell BC LCWIP West Bromwich - Cradley Heath	Concept	Public	£4m	Permitted Dev	Connectivity Improvements	2025	2027	SOBC completed but submission subject to discussions with TfWM Walking & Cycling Commissioner. Target remains November 2023 OBC submission May 2024
SANDWELL BC LCWIPs Smethwick - West Bromwich - Wednesbury	Concept	Public	£5m	Permitted Dev	Connectivity Improvements	2025	2027	SOBC completed but submission subject to discussions with TfWM Walking & Cycling Commissioner. Target remains November 2023 OBC submission May 2024

Education & Skills Theme

Theme Manager – Sue Moore

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Project	Stage	Developer	Investment	Planning	Outputs	Commences	Completes	Performance Update
George Betts	Concept	Public	£9m	No Status	New School	TBC	TBC	DfE Delivery Due to a number of project delivery challenges, DfE are now forecasting a planning application to be submitted mid-November 2023. No indication of a start on site or completion date from the DfE.
Millennium Centre Expansion	Concept	Public	£2m	No Status	Expanded Community Centre	TBC	TBC	Levelling Up Partnership LUP Awarded £20m Approved by Cabinet October 2023.

Housing Theme

Theme Manager – Tammy Stokes

Update October 2023

Previous July 2023

Project	Stage	Developer	Investment	Planning	Outputs	Commences	Completes	Performance Update
London St, Smethwick	Concept	Private	£75m	Approved	382 Homes	TBC	2024	DC/22/67165. No update this quarter.
Former King's Cinema, West Bromwich	Concept	Private	£23m	Approved	77 Homes	TBC	2024	DC/21/65989. No update this quarter.
RSL Delivery	Concept	Public/ Private	£70m	Various	400 Homes	Various	2027	71 units delivered by RP's in 2022/23 285 units are on site. 147 programmed. Programme Office to break-down programme of sites for reporting purposes.
Langley Baths	Concept		£7.3m	No Status	25 new homes 0.46ha	May 2024	September 2025	Former Langley Baths Site. 100% Affordable Homes Residential Apartments proposed currently. Awarded £625,000 funding – One Public Estate Petition Committee – October 2023 agreed for demolition to proceed. Demolition works being programmed. Subject to Financial Appraisal and Cabinet approval for the site to be added to HRA Programme. Awaiting for development option to be confirmed i.e. housing or apartments.

Housing Theme

Theme Manager – Tammy Stokes

Update October 2023

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Project	Stage	Developer	Investment	Planning	Outputs	Commences	Completes	Performance Update
HRA Programme	Concept	Public	£50.7m	Various	266 Homes	Various	2027	67 units completed since Jan 22 to Sep 23 across 5 sites 44 units on site 65 units approved by Cabinet. 76 units awaiting approval. Programme Office to break-down programme of sites for reporting purposes. 86 units currently on site across 10 sites (including high rise new units 36) Stanhope Road – Awaiting final report on ground conditions expected 20/10/23. 17 units are likely to be removed from the programme remaining 16 units subject to viability. If the remaining 16 units are viable there is an option to transfer the two sites below from 1-4-1 programme to 123 HE programme Crosswells and St Vincent's – Seeking delegated approval to award build contract.

Housing Theme

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Sandwell General Hospital Site, West Bromwich	Concept	Private	£18.75m	Approved	121 Homes 0.7 ha	TBC	2025	DC/20/64894 Homes England Community Housing Fund grant secured in 2019 for feasibility work and planning application to develop affordable housing for Keyworkers. Meeting to be convened with Catalyst Mutual Enterprise in the autumn 23 for a progress update with the NHS along with cost plan review.
Carrington Road	Concept	TBC	TBC	No Status	TBC	TBC	TBC	Awarded £266k funding – One Public Estate Removed from HRA Programme. Alternative development options for the site being considered.

Housing Theme

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Edwin Richards Quarry, Rowley Regis	Concept	TBC	£5m	Approved	276 Homes 13.95 ha	TBC	2027+	DC/23/67924 Approved 25 October 23 subject to conditions.
Qualtronic, Tipton	Concept	TBC	£27.5m	Pre-app	137 Homes	TBC	2027+	PA/22/00546
Woods Lane, Rowley Regis	Concept	Private	£6.8m	Approved	34 Homes	2024	2027+	DC/21/66444 Keon Homes Ltd Anticipating to start on site 2024. Application for discharge of conditions 4 (S.I) and 11 (EV charging) received 27 th March 2023
Phoenix Collegiate, Wednesbury	Concept	Private	£17m	Pending	105 Homes 4.8 ha	TBC	2027	Revised Planning application submitted from Persimmon w/c 16 October 23 for 105 units.

Heritage Theme

Theme Manager – Tony McGovern

Update October 2023

Previous June 2023

Project	Stage	Developer	Investment	Planning	Outputs	Commences	Completes	Performance Update
Chance Glassworks, Smethwick	Concept	TBD	£20m	No Status	3.08 ha	TBD	2027+	Chance Heritage Trust MoU – Cabinet Consideration 16 November 2022 £144k BCLEP Funded Business Case for PH1 Development complete. EOI has been submitted to WMCA for funding of circa £20m. Proposal from CHT for additional £60k funding from the BC EZ fund.
Soho Foundry, Smethwick	Concept	TBD	TBD	No Status	TBD	TBD	2027+	Chance Heritage Trust Community Renewal Funding has been utilised to produce feasibility studies and an outline business case in the context of restoring and repurposing the foundry & mint including a separate access road.
Archives Centre, Smethwick	Concept	TBD	£12m	No Status	TBD	TBD	TBD	Funding from National Archives was obtained for feasibility work. Consultants have been appointed and have developed a number options. A preferred option has been selected which is now being worked up into a detailed specification (expected by the end of the Oct 23). The funding strategy will follow once we have agreed the design and identified more accurate costs. Scheduled for Cabinet Jan 24.

Digital Theme

Theme Manager – Tammy Stokes

Update July 2023

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Broadband Full Fibre Infrastructure, Borough	Concept	Netomnia	£30m	Permitted Dev	120,000 connections	TBD	TBD	The Netomnia investment future-proofs the infrastructure from 'copper switch off', where 85% of the copper network will not be maintained from 2025. The works incur low disruption, as the installation predominantly utilises existing BT open-reach infrastructure. Engagement with the council's Highways Team has commenced.

11 BUSINESS CASE PROJECTS



Housing = 3

Sustainability & Health = 1

Education & Skills = 1

Transportation = 6

Housing Theme

Theme Manager – Tammy Stokes

Update October 2023

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Project	Stage	Developer	Investment	Planning	Outputs	Commences	Completes	Performance Update
Brandhall Urban Village, Oldbury	B Case	Sandwell Council	£36m	Approved	190 Homes Eco-Park	2024	2027+	DC/23/68540 Outline Planning Application approved October 2023. Masterplan Development Approved by Cabinet 16 Nov 2022. ES Scoping Opinion confirmed June 2023. Soft market testing of developers to be undertaken Oct/Nov 2023 to determine appropriate disposal mechanisms and procurement route. School On-site construction forecast Summer 2024 Housing On-site construction forecast Winter 2024 Engagement with community interests commenced on park. Further engagement anticipated once consultants appointed to assist design process. Appointment of consultants to progress park design and development underway School design progressed to RICA Stage 2.

Housing Theme

Theme Manager – Tammy Stokes

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Project	Stage	Developer	Investment	Planning	Outputs	Commences	Completes	Performance Update
Tipton Town Centre	B Case	Sandwell Council	£33.3m	No Status	65 Homes 0.47 ha 1991sq ft	2023	2026	LUF Project £20m Funding Award Subsidy Control Issue resolved. Approved by Cabinet Oct 2023. SIU Appraisal to be undertaken. Agreed development option to be submitted to DLUHC to form the MoU.

Housing Theme

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Project	Stage	Developer	Investment	Planning	Outputs	Commences	Completes	Performance Update
Friar Park, Wednesbury	B Case	Public/Private	£111.5mm	No Status	630 Homes	2026	2027+	Sandwell Council and WMCA (JV) Masterplan approved March 2023. Additional LUP funding (£11.5m) approved Sept 2023 Developer Procurement commences Autumn 2023, to be appointed Summer 2024. Remediation Works commence Autumn 2024 Housing Start On-site forecast summer 2026.

Sustainability & Health

Theme Manager – Tammy Stokes

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Project	Stage	Developer	Investment	Planning	Outputs	Commences	Completes	Performance Update
Heat Network Commercialisation	B Case	Public/Private	TBC	No Status		2023	2027+	Business Case approved by Cabinet. Procurement process to be undertaken. Soft Market Testing undertaken.

Education & Skills Theme

Theme Manager – Sue Moore

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Project	Stage	Developer	Investment	Planning	Outputs	Commences	Completes	Performance Update
Causeway Green Primary School, Oldbury	B Case	Public	£15m	Approved	School Replacement	2024	2025	DC/23/68540 Outline Planning Application approved 25 Oct 2023. RIBA Stage 1 complete and project costs are now forecast to exceed £15m. RIBA Stage 2 to be instructed October 23. An options paper to be developed for Passivhaus v Traditional construction to determine final design solution prior to submitting a report to Cabinet. The report will set out capital budget profile and proceed with procurement. Start on site date now delayed, completion expected end 2025.

Transport Theme

Theme Manager – Andy Miller

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Project	Stage	Developer	Investment	Planning	Outputs	Commences	Completes	Performance Update
Blackheath Interchange	B Case	Public	£4.3m	Permitted Dev	TBD	TBD	2025	Towns Fund Project Project Continuation is at risk due to feedback from consultation. Options paper being prepared for the Rowley Regis Town Deal Board.

Transport Theme

Theme Manager – Andy Miller

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Birchley Island Upgrade (A4123 / M5 J2) – Oldbury	B Case	Public	£30m	Permitted Dev	TBD	2025	2027+	<p>Land acquisition by negotiation 21st January 2024</p> <p>Publication of Draft Orders 16th November 2023</p> <p>Confirmation of Orders by the Secretary of State for Transport 27th November 2024.</p> <p>Procurement of a contractor through the Leicestershire Medium Scheme Framework (MSF4) Early Contractor Involvement (ECI) This stage has commenced.</p> <p>Submission of Full Business Case to the DfT to secure £24.4M MRN Funding 27th November 2024.</p> <p>Approval of Full Business Case by DfT to secure £24.4M MRN Funding 12th January 2025</p> <p>Commencement of construction works 1st February 2025.</p> <p>Completion of construction works 5th January 2028</p> <p>Post Construction Report to the DfT one year after opening 5th January 2029.</p>

Transport Theme

Theme Manager – Andy Miller

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West Bromwich East Towpath Link	B Case	Public	£3m	Permitted Dev	TBD	TBD	2025	No update available for this quarter.
WBHE Sustainable Access Measures, Tipton	B Case	Public	£4m	Permitted Dev	TBD	TBD	2026	No update available for this quarter.
Dudley Port Integrated Transport Hub (Phase 1A), Oldbury	B Case	Public	£2.4m	Permitted Dev	TBD	2024	2025	WMCA led project. OBC Brief is currently being developed. Programme Level Business Case has been approved.
Metro Line 1 renovation	B Case	Public	£10m	Permitted Dev	TBD	TBD	2027	WMCA led project. No update available for this quarter.

13 DELIVERY PROJECTS

Employment = 1

Sustainability & Health = 2

Housing = 3

Education & Skills = 2

Town Centre = 2

Transportation = 3

Employment Theme

Theme Manager – Luke Dove

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Coneygre Manu Facility, Tipton	Delivery	Private	£40m	Approved	150 New Jobs 1 Apprentice 153 Con Jobs	2023	2024	DC/21/66125 Grant offer from WMCA accepted - Terms and formal approval from WMCA are expected in December 2023. Revised target for commencement of works is March 2024.

Sustainability & Health Theme

Theme Manager – Tammy Stokes

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Haden Hill Leisure Centre, Rowley Regis	Delivery	Sandwell Council	£23m	No Status	New Leisure Centre	2023	2026	RIBA Stage 1 Complete. Scope unaffordable due to construction cost inflation. Project re-scoped to be new wet facilities and refurbishment of dry facilities. Approved by Cabinet 18 October 2023. Project Adjustment request to be submitted to DLUHC.
Battery Energy Storage, Danks Way Hill Top, West Bromwich	Delivery	Private	£40m	Pre-App submitted.	20 New Jobs 2 Apprentices 264 Con Jobs	2023	2024	Storing Energy from clean sources project. Avon Utilities & Generation. JRB Regeneration Limited. The 18-month agreement for lease has been signed. An enabling works are underway.

Housing Theme

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Project	Stage	Developer	Investment	Planning	Outputs	Commences	Completes	Performance Update
Rolfe St Canal-side, Smethwick	Delivery	Public	£2m	Pending	115 Homes	2023	2025	Towns Fund Project. Vacant possession achieved. Site works to commence Nov 2023 Ecology survey completed Sept 2023 and disconnections currently in progress and are scheduled to complete December 2023. Demolition contractor has been appointed. Planning Application has been submitted October 2023 for demolition of site. Awaiting Validation. High level programme currently estimating demolition and site remediation completed July 2025.

Housing Theme

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Grove Lane, Smethwick	Delivery	Public	£4.4m	No Status	145 Homes	2024	2026	<p>Towns Fund Project. Remediation anticipated to complete 2026. A report was approved by Cabinet in November 2022 which requested authorisation to commence Compulsory Purchase action on the Cranford Street site. CPO advice obtained and Legal assistance in the process of being finalised. , planning application to be prepared to support CPO case – aiming for submission November 2023 2023.</p> <p>Local Authority to re-engage with landowner to continue negotiations in November 2023.</p>

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Gas Showrooms	Delivery	Black Country Housing Group	£6m	No Status	26 new homes 0.107ha	June 2024	December 2025	Former Gas Showroom Site Residential Apartment scheme – 100% Affordable. Awarded £479,547 funding – One Public Estate. £1,456,000 Homes England grant

Education & Skills Theme

Theme Manager – Sue Moore

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Satellite Education Hub, Rowley Regis	Delivery	Public	£9m	Approved	4 New Jobs 1 Apprentice 32 Con Jobs	2024	2025	Towns Fund Project Sandwell College DC/22/67785 – Application Approved June 2023 Appointment of Contractor for Stage 1 will progress now for approval Contractor expected to be on site March 24 Forecast completion and operational August 25
Midland Met Campus, Smethwick	Delivery	Public	£12.9m	Approved	30 New Jobs 6 Apprentices 100 Con Jobs	2023	2025	Towns Fund Project NHS Trust DC/23/68220 Approved 25 Oct 2023 SMBC Partnership Agreement still in negotiation due to Building Insurance provisions. Decision for £5m funding from WMCA expected Dec 23.

Town Centres Theme

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Retail Diversification Programme	Delivery	Public	£13m	Various Approved	255 Con Jobs	2023	2025	<p>Towns Fund Project Indoor Market DC/23/68118 (Indoor Market) approved in July 2023.</p> <p>Stage 4 Cost Plan received September 2023, exceeding project budget of £4.2m.</p> <p>Comprehensive VE exercise being undertaken and agreed with project stakeholders and end user. Once completed, the independent review will provide a revised project cost. This will form the basis of a revised procurement approach with a new contract in place early Q1 2024.</p>

Town Centres Theme

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Retail Diversification Programme	Delivery	Public	£13m	Various Approved	255 Con Jobs	2023	2025	Acquisitions Negotiations continue to acquire properties and assemble sites within the Retail Diversification Programme boundary. Formal valuations have been procured and completed for the two interests within the red line. Land & Assets to liaise with Legal Services. Change request approved by West Bromwich Town Deal Board and submitted to DLUHC to remove properties which cannot be acquired from the project scope and reprofile the spend to alternative project elements.

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Retail Diversification Programme	Delivery	Public	£13m	Various Approved	255 Con Jobs	2023	2025	Demolitions Revised demolition cost estimates have been procured. For the one site that these have been returned, there is a high degree of confidence that the current budget will be sufficient.

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Wednesbury Town Centre Masterplan	Delivery	Public	£130k	Various	Masterplan	2023	2024	Levelling Up Partnership Consultancy Commissioned October 2023.

Transport Theme

Theme Manager – Andy Miller

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Rowley Regis Walking & Cycling	Delivery	Public	£1.5m	Permitted Dev	10 Construction Jobs	2024	2025	Towns Fund Project Pre-site works scheduled to commence Oct 2023 - Delays due to Resources in Transportation Team. Anticipated start on site 2024. Risk that the project costs will be over budget.
SPRINT A34/A45 PH2, West Bromwich	Delivery	Public	£250k	Permitted Dev	TBD	2024	2025	CRSTS Programme – WMCA. Fully funded Business Cases approved. £50m scheme, majority of investment is in Walsall and Solihull, £250k in Sandwell. Detailed Design complete, Forecast on-site early 2024.
M5 J1 (Ph1 Development of SOBC only)	Delivery	Public	£3m	Permitted Dev	Connectivity Improvement	2023	2027	*Note this project reflects level of investment to develop a Business Case for the scheme. Capital Funding for physical project not yet obtained. SOBC Commissioned, due March 2024.

18 ON SITE PROJECTS

Sustainability & Health = 5

Heritage = 2

Employment = 1

Housing = 3

Town Centres = 1

Digital = 1

Transportation = 5

Sustainability & Health Theme

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Retro-fit Council Housing Stock	On Site	Public	£89m	Permitted Dev	400 Con Jobs 20 Apprentices	2022	2027	HRA & Government Grant Energy Efficiency Council House Stock. Progressed from Delivery to On Site. Information provided to the Programme Board July 2023 which indicates the value of the retro-fit programme is between £89m - £113m. Need to agree future reporting with the Board.
Grid Scale Battery Storage Facility, West Bromwich	On Site	Private	£30m	Approved	20 New Jobs 2 Apprentices	2021	2023	Pivot Power EDF Renewables DC/20/64437 Event planned for autumn 2023 to mark project completion.
Midland Metropolitan University Hospital	On Site	NHS Balfour Beatty	£700m	Approved	New Hospital	2015	2024	DC/15/58384. The date for opening of MMUH is still noted as 2024. The exact date has not been confirmed and is under constant review by the NHS Exec Board.

Sustainability & Health Theme

Theme Manager – Tammy Stokes

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Britannia Park	On Site	Public	£2.46m	Approved	1 Apprentice 10 Con Jobs	2022	2024	Towns Fund Project DC/23/68486- Planning application for changing rooms approved in September 2023. Procurement of skate park and playground equipment due to be submitted in Q2.
Energy from Waste Plant, West Bromwich	On Site	Enfinium	£500m	Approved	TBC	2021	2025	DC/17/61177

Employment Theme

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Metro Depot, Wednesbury	On site	Public TfWM	£50m	Approved	150 New Jobs	2023	2025	DC/20/64976 TfWM confirmed in May 23 that investment was circa £50m and the project would house additional 21 trams. Therefore the 150 jobs covers construction, drivers and maintenance. Sandwell Social Value Team have been briefed to contact TfWM to determine what support is needed to maximise Social Value opportunities.

Housing Theme

Theme Manager – Tammy Stokes

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Project	Stage	Developer	Investment	Planning	Outputs	Commences	Completes	Performance Update
Land at Hall Green Road, West Bromwich	On-Site	Countryside Properties	£35.7m	Approved	223 Homes 8.59 ha	2021	2024	DC/20/65059 69 private sales completed. 6 plots exchanged, 5 plots reserved and 3 plots unsold for FY23. On PRS handed over 47 plots to Gatehouse bank.
Fountain Lane, Oldbury	On-Site	Lovells	£47m	Approved	246 Homes 6.02 ha	2021	2025	DC/20/64152 Build completion estimated = May 2024 for the affordable dwellings, October 2024 for open market units. Sales completions forecast to end in March 2025. Secured 64 Legal Completions with another 12 anticipated before year end. Average of 3.5 sales per month. Remainder of housing units profiled to complete in 2024 with only final block of 24 dwellings running into 2025.

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Swan Lane, West Bromwich	On-site	Private	£29.8m	Approved	149 Homes	2023	2025	Green Square Accord DC/22/66532 BCLEP Funding £3.2m secured 19 Oct 2022. Homes England Funding £4,998,000 secured. Site acquired December 2022. Development on-site 3 rd April 2023.

Heritage Theme

Theme Manager – Jenna Langford

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Heritage Action Zone (HAZ), Wednesbury	On Site	Public	£3.2m	Various	1 Apprentice 71 Con Jobs	2021	2024	SMBC & Historic England Project. Shop Front Improvement and First floor Conversions anticipated to commence 2023 and complete 2024 – subject to eligibility of grant applicants. Grant Awarded to 8 Market Place. Project Underspend – new projects identified.
Town Hall Quarter, West Bromwich	On Site	Public	£7.56m	Approved	1 Apprentice 6 Con Jobs	2023	2024	Towns Fund Project. DC/23/68022 and DC/23/68021 granted planning with conditions as of April 2023. Scaffolding installed April 2023 Final costs for restoration works submitted Oct 23 which is in excess of budget. Some works removed to allow for 10% contingency, however risks have been excluded from the costs, which need to be reviewed by Land & Assets and Legal Services.

Town Centres Theme

Theme Manager – Luke Dove

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Urban Greening, West Bromwich	On Site	Public	£1.22m	Permitted Dev	Public Realm improvement.	2022	2024	Towns Fund Project Funding secured. Project progressed from Business Case to On Site. Phase 1 complete. Phase 2 is now complete. University of Birmingham have secured funding to run an evaluation project on the benefits/disbenefits of the new UG area. All outputs delivered, with £20k remaining in the budget. Underspend options being discussed with the Towns Fund Programme Manager.

Transport Theme

Theme Manager – Andy Miller

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Smethwick Walking & Cycling	On Site	Public	£3.8m	Permitted Dev	1 apprentice 10 Con Jobs	2022	2024	Towns Fund Project. Phase 2 and 3 completed Phase 4 expected to start early 2024 due to need for second round of consultation. DMS 1st November 2023. Phase 5 expected to start in Q2
Canal Connectivity Rowley Regis	On Site	Public	£2.3m	Permitted Dev	1 apprentice 20 Con Jobs	2022	2024	Towns Fund Project – Canal River Trust On Site as of October 2022 Scheduled to complete June 2024, with additional works approved following underspend. Additional match funding secured to enhance project, as a result some works slipped to enable utilisation of match funding first.
Wednesbury - Dudley Metro Extension	On Site	Public	£160m	Permitted Dev	TBC	2021	2024	No update available this quarter.
West Bromwich Walking and Cycling Infrastructure	On Site	Public	£1.1m	Permitted Dev	10 Con Jobs	2022	2025	Towns Fund Phase 2 delayed due to public consultation following elections & scheme design. Consultation taking place in November/December 2023. Delivery expected early 2024.

Transport Theme

Theme Manager – Andy Miller

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Midland Met Canal Gateway	On Site	Public	£1.5m	Permitted Dev	TBC	2023	2024	Towns Fund Project - Canal River Trust The project is funded via £870k from the Sustainable Transport fund; £600k from the Smethwick Town Deal fund; and £100k in Section 106 contributions. CRT Partnership Agreement between SMBC and CRT signed. On-site September 2023, anticipated completion Feb 2024.

Digital Theme

Theme Manager – Tammy Stokes

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Project	Stage	Developer	Investment	Planning	Outputs	Commences	Completes	Performance Update
Full Fibre Connectivity	On Site	BT Open Reach	£30m	Permitted Dev	TBC	TBC	2024	No update available this quarter.

11 COMPLETED PROJECTS

Education & Skills = 6

Sustainability & Health = 3

Employment = 1

Transportation = 1

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Shireland CBSO Academy, West Bromwich	Complete	Public	£16.29m	Approved	New School	2022	2023	DfE Delivery PDC/22/6650 Complete September 2023
Elm Tree Primary Academy, Wednesbury	Complete	Public	£10m	Approved	New School	2022	2023	DfE Delivery DC/21/65308 Site of former Manor High School. Complete September 2023.
Sandwell MEC, West Bromwich	Complete	Public	£2.7m	Approved	14 Jobs 1 Apprentice 29 Con Jobs	2022	2023	Towns Fund Project Sandwell College DC/22/66495. Forecast completion Aug 2023 Operational September 2023. Opening Ceremony provisional date 22 Nov 23.
Windsor Olympus Academy, Smethwick	Complete	Public	£20m	Approved	New School	2021	2023	DfE Delivery. DC/21/65892 Complete September 2023
King Street, Wednesbury	Complete	Public	£5.6m	Approved	35 Homes 1 Apprentice 35 Con Jobs	2021	2023	DC/18/62165 Focussed discussion scheduled for October Programme Board.

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Sandwell Aquatic Centre, Smethwick	Complete	Public	£89.6m	Approved	16 Apprentices 254 Con Jobs	2022	2023	Public Funds sourced from SMBC, WMCA, BCLEP, DCMS, OC DC/19/62642 SAC Opens to the public w/c 24 July 23. Legacy Plan approved by Cabinet 12 July 23.
Heat Network Dev Phase, West Bromwich	Complete	Public	£390k	N/A	Business Case	2022	2023	Outline Business Case was approved by Cabinet 12 July 2023. Project updated to complete. Commercialisation project now added to the pipeline.
Ron Davis Centre, Smethwick	Complete	Public	£358k	Approved	1 Apprentice 15 Con Jobs	2022	2023	Towns Fund Project SAFL Delivery Planning Ref - DC/22/66762 Construction of 2 classrooms is complete. IT equipment to be installed.

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Ambulance Service Hub, Oldbury	Complete	Private	£22m	Approved	475 New Jobs 6 Apprentices	2021	2022	Stoford Delivery Planning Ref - DC/20/65084 Completed.
Digital Den, West Bromwich	Complete	Public	£42,600	Permitted Dev	Digital Facilities and Learners Assisted	2022	2022	Towns Fund Greets Green Community Centre
SPRINT A34/A45 Phase 1	Complete	Public	£5m	Permitted Dev			2022	TfWM Scheme